



The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

St. George's Church
Glenn Dale Parish • The Episcopal Diocese of
Washington
August 20, 2023

Welcome to St. George's! We are delighted to see you this morning, whether in person or virtually. This service booklet includes all of the prayers, music and readings you will need to fully participate in today's service. Wherever you are in your journey, know that you are welcome here. Zoom participants are welcome to leave your video camera on; at certain points during the service participants in the sanctuary will see the gallery view of those taking part in the service via Zoom.

Voices Found # 94 In boldness, look to God

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In bold-ness, look to God for help like wo-men folk who dared:
In bold-ness, lean on God for strength, and heal-ing from dis - ease,
In bold-ness, learn of God the truth of Ma-ry's bet - ter part:
In bold-ness, love, nor count the cost. Con-front the world's harsh stare;



to ask that Je - sus heal a child, that crumbs of grace be shared.
of mind and bod - y, heart and will, whose bond - age Je - sus frees.
to fear and cen - sure un - de - terred, de - ter - mined in her heart
like one who washed the feet of Christ, and wiped them with her hair,



that out - cast ones be wel - come to the feast God has pre - pared.
Reach out and touch the hem of Christ, and gath - er spi - rit's ease.
to kneel at Je - sus' feet and learn the wis - dom he im - parts.
poured per - fume to a - noint her Lord, and left love's fra-grance there.

Celebrant: As we gather in gratitude and praise to you. O Holy One:
People: **Breathe on us breath of God, and fill us with your saving power.**
Celebrant: In your Wisdom, speak in us:
People: **and bring us strength, healing and peace.**
Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

All pray together: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria: Wonder Love and Praise #821 Glory to God *sung three times*

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Glo-ry to God; Praise to the Son; Loveto the Spi-rit; Three and yet One.

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray together the Collect of the Day: **Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Genesis 45:1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'

And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 133

How good and pleasant a thing it is:

when God’s people live together in unity.

It is like the precious oil on Aaron’s head,
which ran down on to his beard:

and over the collar of his vestment.

It is like the dew of Hermon:

falling upon the hill of Zion.

For there the Lord promised the blessing:

which is life for evermore.

At the conclusion of the psalm, all say together

**Glory to God, Source of all being, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Gospel Hymn: Gather #410 *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

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O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; when I call an-swer me, O

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in G major and common time. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis-ten to me. O

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and bass line from the first system. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Matthew 15: 21-28

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord. **People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon: The Rev. Connie Reinhardt

The Creed: We Believe in God Almighty

Words: Adapted from Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993) © 1991 G.I.A. Publications, Wonder, Love and Praise # 769

Music: *BEACH SPRING The Sacred Harp* harmony by Marty Haugen (b. 1950) © 1995 G.I.A Publications, Inc. Gather #471

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We be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that be,
We be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci - fied;
We be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the saints with - in



Ma - ker of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and sea.
tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied - True Life there had tru - ly died.
one church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from sin;



We be - lieve in God's Son, Je - sus, now for us both Lord and Christ
We be - lieve that on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave,
in the bod - y's res - ur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's chain



of the Spir - it and of Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life
then as - cend - ed to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.
gives the life that's ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that we have claimed.

Prayers of the People

O God, we are your beloved. As we pray to you in words, beyond words, and in sighs too deep for words, Be present with us as we pray: **Breathe on us, breath of God.**

O God, you created the heavens and the earth; bless the produce of our land and the works of our hands. Help us to care for creation and undo the damage we have done to the earth, your beating heart. Be present with us as we pray: **Breathe on us, breath of God.**

Lord Jesus, you call us to be your disciples; deepen in each of us a sense of purpose as we seek to follow you on your way of love. We pray for Michael our presiding bishop, Mariann our bishop, Connie our rector, and for the people of St. George's. Be with us as we pray: **Jesus, open our hearts to you.**

Lord Jesus, you were rich, yet for our sake you became poor; move those of us who have more resources to share generously with those who have less, and help us work for economic justice for all. Be with us as we pray: **Jesus, open our hearts to you.**

Lord Jesus, you were unjustly condemned by Pontius Pilate; strengthen those across the world who are suffering injustice and persecution, war and violence. Help us be bearers of your peace. Be with us as we pray: **Jesus, open our hearts to you.**

Lord Jesus, you healed by your touch and your word; we pray now for all who suffer and are in need of your healing presence. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list, and for those we name before you now. *The people may add their own petitions.* Be with us as we pray: **Jesus, open our hearts to you.**

Divine Spirit, you sustain us in difficult times. We pray for those who have died and for those who mourn, especially those we name before you now. *The people may add their own petitions.* Be with us as we pray: **Spirit of grace, comfort us and bring us closer to you.**

Divine Spirit, you bless us with life and love. Help us live in gratitude for what we have, as we pray especially for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and for other blessings of this life. *The people may add their own petitions.* Be with us as we pray: **Spirit of grace, comfort us and bring us closer to you.**

Holy God, help us to know always that in your love you do for us more than we can ask or imagine, today and always. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Now let us confess our sins to God.

Silence is kept.

Holy One, we encounter you in our lives and try to follow you faithfully, but often we get lost or turn away from you. We try to love our neighbors and ourselves, and even by your grace to love our enemies, but we fail. We have not fully shared the gifts you entrust to us; we have not treasured the gifts of others around us. For all of the ways we have fallen short, we are truly sorry. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Blessings for Birthdays & Anniversaries

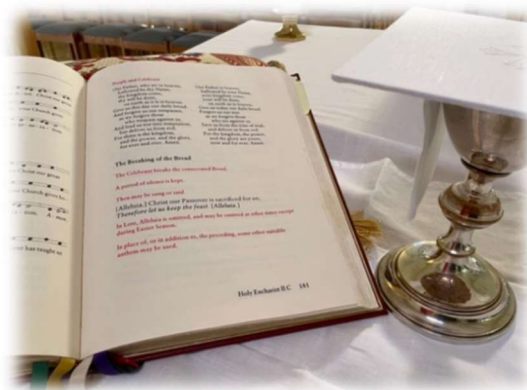
The celebrant then offers the following prayer for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries:

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) and anyone celebrating their birthday or anniversary this week as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Offertory

Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering holy and acceptable to God.

Although St. George's no longer physically "passes the basket" everyone is invited and encouraged to make a financial offering to express your gratitude to God for the gifts we are given and in support of our mission and ministries. We encourage you to give electronically wherever possible; you can text stgeodragon to 72356. Or just use your web browser to go to www.onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/Give. You may also donate via Zelle to donations@stgeorgesglennedale.org or use Cash App to send your donation to \$StGeorgesGlennDale. Baskets at the doors of the Sanctuary may be used for donations of checks or cash. Many thanks for your financial support of St. George's.



Offertory Hymn: Gather #542 *In Christ There Is a Table Set for All Verses 1-2, 4-6*

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Wel - come, all you no - ble saints of old. As
El - ders, mar - tyrs, all are fall - ing down;
Who is this who spreads the vic - t'ry feast?
Here he gives him - self to us as bread:
Wor - ship in the pres - ence of the Lord. With



now be - fore your ver - y eyes un - fold. The
Pro - phets, pa - tri - archs are gath - 'ring 'round. What
Who is this who makes our war - ring cease?
Here, as wine, we drink the blood he shed
joy - ful songs and hearts in one ac - cord. And



won - ders all so long a - go fore - told:
an - gels long to see now we have found.
Je - sus, ris - en Sav - ior, Prince of Peace. In Christ there is a ta - ble set for all.
Born to die, we eat and live in - stead!
let our host at ta - ble be a - dored.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

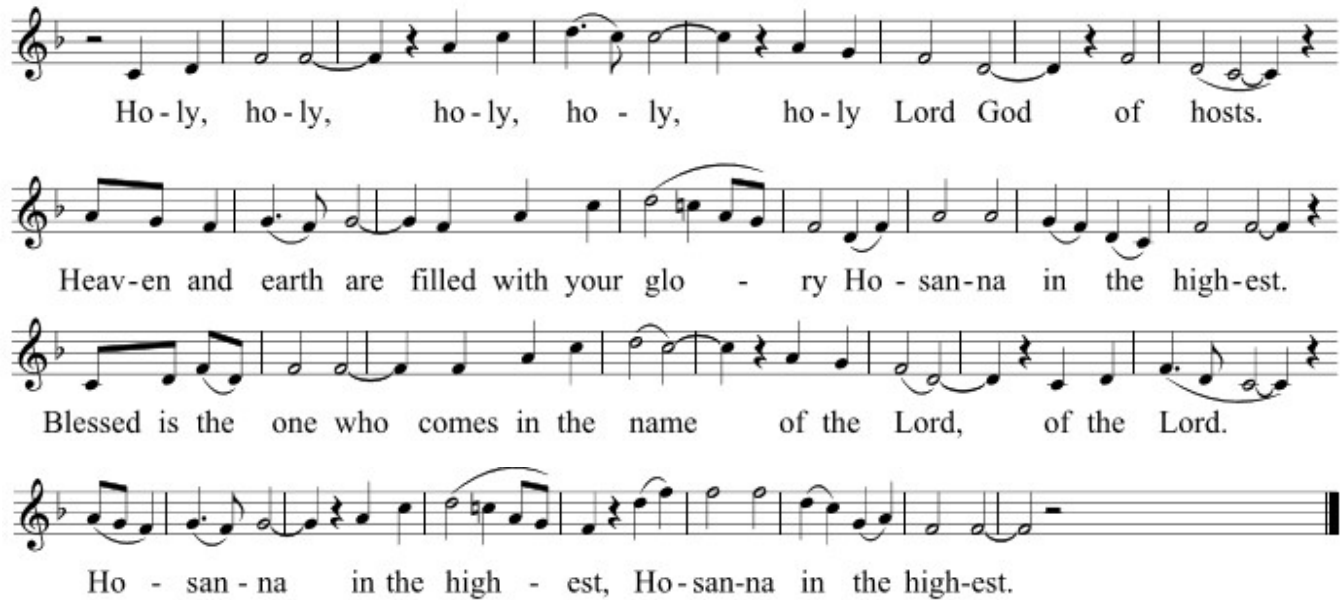
We praise you Holy Trinity, mystery of being and freedom of the world. You opened your love to bring the creation into existence, reflecting infinite beauty in matter's complex bonds and spirit's evolution.

You drew near to Abraham and Sarah as the unexpected guest; you wrestled with Jacob and blessed him with wounds; you dwelt in glory and wisdom with the people of your covenant.

Your all-embracing heart assumed our human story and came among us in Word made flesh, Jesus the holy child of God. Through the scandal of Christ crucified and the Spirit of love that raised him from the dead, you end our isolation and draw us into the community of your grace. Therefore we join the eternal song of power and glory, of difference and delight, as we sing:

Sanctus: *Holy, Holy, Holy Levas #255*

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord, of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy One, we praise you for your love that brings order out of chaos, breathes life into dust, leads captives into freedom, and calls home those who wander away from you. You give bread to the hungry and drink to the thirsty; you even raise the dead to life.

We thank you for Jesus, the Word made flesh and light of the world, who is shepherd and gate, way and truth, and fountain of living water that gives life everlasting.

We thank you for Jesus, who is the bread of heaven, the cup of salvation, and the resurrection and the life. On the night before he died, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you O God, gave it to them and said "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, gave you thanks and said, "Drink this all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for all for forgiveness of sin. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

We ask you to pour out your Spirit on us O God and come and live in us, in this bread and in this cup, in our hearts and in our being, that we may be one body in Christ. May we be one in service to others and love of you in this place and every place, in this world and in the world to come.

Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor and power be to you O Holy One, forever and ever! Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: The Risen Christ is in our midst, and so with Christ we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

The Breaking of the Bread

The bread is broken and silence is kept

Fraction Hymn: Wonder, Love and Praise #865 *Christ our Passover*

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Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there-fore let us keep the feast. Al-le-lu-ia.

Celebrant: Mindful that not all are present physically to receive the sacrament, we pray with those who receive spiritual Holy Communion this day:

Lord Jesus, in union with your faithful people, we offer to you our praise and thanks. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we pray that you come spiritually into our hearts. Strengthen us with your grace, O Lord, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose again for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

Wherever you are on your journey, whatever you believe or don't believe, know that you are welcome at this table. For this is Christ's table, and all are welcome.

If you would like to receive a blessing rather than the bread and wine, please indicate this to the Celebrant by crossing your arms in front of your chest.

Communion Hymn 1: LEVAS #139 *Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior*

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Pass me not, O gen - tle Sav - ior, Hear my hum - ble cry;
Let me at thy throne of mer - cy Find a sweet re - lief;
Trust - ing on - ly in thy mer - it, Would I seek thy face.
Thou the spring of all my com - fort, More than life to me,



While on oth - ers thou art call - ing, Do not pass me by.
Kneel - ing there in dep con - tri - tion, Hel my un - be - lief.
Heal my wound - ed, bro - ken spi - rit, Save me by thy grace.
Whom have I on earth be - side thee? Whom in heav'n but thee?



Sav-ior, Sav-ior Hear my hum-ble cry; While on oth-ers thou art call-ing, Do not pass me by.



Communion Hymn 2: Gather #525 *How Good It Is*

Words: Psalm 133, Isaiah 2: 1-4. Ruth Duck (b. 1947) © 1992 G.I.A. Publications.

Music: *Dove of Peace*, CM; *American harmony* by Charles H. Webb (b. 1933). © 1989. The United Methodist Publishing House.

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How good it is what pleas - ure comes, When peo - ple live as one.
True friend - ship then like fra - grant oil Sur - rounds us with de - light;
How good it is when walls of fear Come tum - bling to the ground,
What qui - et joy can bloom and grow When peo - ple work for peace,



When peace and jus - tice light the way The will of God is done,
and bless - ings shine like morning dew Up - on the moun - tain height, Up -
When arms are changed to farm - ing tools, The fruits of life a - bound,
When hands and voic - es join as one That hate and war may cease,



The will of God is done.
- on the moun-tain height.
The fruits of life a - bound.
That hate and war may cease.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Celebrant Let us pray: **God of fire and wind, giver of life, you have made us one in the body of Christ, and nourished us at your table with holy food and drink. Now send us forth to serve others following the example of Jesus. May the Spirit blow through us and into the world you have made, that we may bring your love wherever we go, through Jesus Christ who gave himself away for love. Amen.**

The people may be seated for announcements

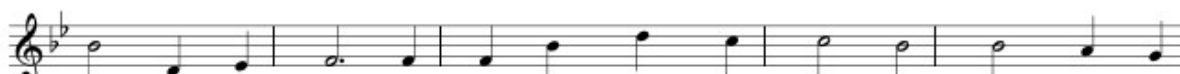
Announcements

The Blessing


We do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us; so be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. Go in peace to follow the good road, and may the blessing of God, who creates, redeems and sustains us, be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #539 *O Zion haste*

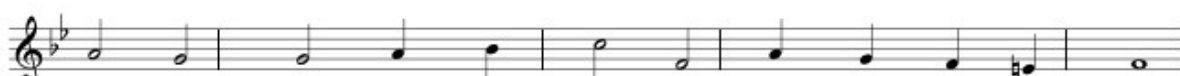
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O Zi - on, haste, thy mis - son high ful - fill - ing, to tell to
Pro - claim to ev - ery peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion that God, in
Send her - alds forth to bear the mes - sage glo - rious; give of thy
He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere thou meet him, make know to



all the world that God is Light; that he who made all na - tions is not
whom they live and move, is Love; tell how he stooped to save his lost cre-
wealth to speed them on their way; pour out thy soul for them in prayer vic-
ev - ery heart his sav - ing grace; let none whom he hath ran-somed fail to



will - ing one soul should fail to know his love and might.
- a - tion, and died on earth that all might live a - bove.
- to - rious till God shall bring his king - dom's joy - ful day.
greet him, through thy ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.



Pub-lish glad ti-dings; ti-dings of peace, ti-dings of Je-sus, re-demp-tion and re-lease.

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.