

Morning Prayer and Sharing of the Lord's Table

June 4, 2023 - Trinity Sunday



St. George's Church Glenn Dale, Maryland
The Episcopal Diocese of Washington

Words of Welcome and explanation

This morning we celebrate a service of Morning Prayer and sharing of the Communion that has been pre-consecrated by our priest. For some of you, this might be a familiar service; for others a new experience as you wonder, what on earth is a canticle? Either way, we invite you to join in this morning's worship as we recognize God's presence among us in prayer and song.

Please stand as you are able at the sound of the bell.

Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #362 *Holy, holy, holy*

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826). Music: *Nicaea*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876) Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al-might - y! Ear - ly in the
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee, cast - ing down their
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee, though the sin - ful
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al-might - y! All thy works shall
morn - ing our song shall rise to thee: Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!
gold en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; cher - u - bim and ser a - phim
hu man eye thy glo - ry may not see, on - ly thou art ho - ly;
praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea; Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

Mer-ci - ful and might - y, God in three Per - sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty.
fall-ing down be - fore thee, which wert, and art, and ev - er more shalt be.
there is none be - side thee, per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
Mer-ci - ful and might - y, God in three Per - sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty.

Invitatory

Officiant: *I rejoiced when they said to me,
"We shall go to the house of the Lord."*

People: **To give thanks and to praise God,
Who has loved me ever since my youth.**

Officiant: *I will sing out my joy and love.*

People: **I will praise you, my God, with the harp.**

Officiant: *Open now our lips, O God*

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Canticle - The Jubilate: *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

Words: Adapted from William Kethe (d. 1608) in Hymnal 1982 #377.

Music: *Old 100th* from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551. Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheer - ful voice:
Know that the Lord is God, in - deed; with - out our aid God made us all:
O en - ter then these gates with praise. Ap - proach with joy God's courts un - to;
For why? the Ho - ly One is good; God's mer - cy is for ev - er sure.



And serve with mirth, God's praise now tell, come all be - fore God and re-joyce.
We are the loved ones God does feed as shep-herds care for sheep they call.
praise, laud, and bless his Name al-ways, for it is seem-ly so to do.
God's truth at all times firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en-dure.

Officiant: Glory to God, Source of all being, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit;

People: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Please be seated as we pray the psalm

Psalm 8

O Most High, our Sovereign,

how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Out of the mouths of infants and children

your majesty is praised above the heavens.

You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,

to quell the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

What are we that you should be mindful of us?

your children that you should seek us out?

You have made us but little lower than the angels;

you adorn us with glory and honor;

You make us stewards over the works of your hands;

you put all things under our feet:

All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,

The birds of the air, the fish of the sea.

O Most High, our Sovereign,

how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Glory to God, Source of all being, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

Please be seated for the readings and stand for the canticles that follow.

First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-2:4a The Inclusive Bible – Read in two voices

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

But the earth became chaos and emptiness, and darkness covered the face of the Deep—Yet the Spirit of God was brooding over the surface of the waters.

Then God said, “Light: Be!” and light was. God saw that the light was good, and God separated light from darkness. God called the light “Day” and the darkness “Night.” Evening came, and morning followed—the first day.

Then God said, “Now make an expanse between the waters! Separate water from water!” So it was: God made the expanse and separated the water above the expanse from the water below it. God called the expanse “Sky.” Evening came, and morning followed—the second day.

Then God said, “Waters under the sky: be gathered into one place! Dry ground: appear!” So it was: God called the dry ground “Earth” and the gathering of the waters “Sea.” And God saw that this was good. Then God said: “Earth: produce vegetation—plants that scatter their own seeds, and every kind of fruit tree that bears fruit with its own seed in it.” So it was. The earth brought forth every kind of plant that bears seed, and every kind of fruit tree that bears fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that this was good. Evening came, and morning followed—the third day.

Then God said, “Now let there be light in the expanse of the sky! Separate day from night! Let them mark the signs and seasons, days and years, and serve as luminaries in the sky shedding light on the earth.” So it was. God made the two great lights, the greater one to illumine the day, and a lesser light to illumine the night. Then God made the stars as well, placing them in the expanse of the sky to shed light on the earth, to govern both day and night, and separate light from darkness. And God saw that this was good. Evening came, and morning followed—the fourth day.

God then said, “Waters: swarm with an abundance of living beings! Birds: fly above the earth in the open expanse of the sky!” And so it was: God created great sea monsters and all sorts of swimming creatures with which the waters are filled, and all kinds of birds. God saw that this was good and blessed them, saying, “Bear fruit, increase your numbers, and fill the waters of the seas! Birds abound on the earth!” Evening came, and morning followed—the fifth day.

Then God said, “Earth: bring forth all kinds of living soul—cattle, things that crawl, and wild animals of all kinds!” So it was. God made all kinds of wild animals, and cattle, and everything that crawls on the ground, and God saw that this was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image to be like us. Let them be stewards of the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, the cattle, the wild animals, and everything that crawls on the ground.”

Humankind was created as God's reflection:
in the divine image God created them;
female and male, God made them.

God blessed them and said, "Bear fruit, increase your numbers—and be responsible for it! Watch over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all living things on the earth!" God then told them, "Look, I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit carries its seed inside itself: they will be your food; and to all the animals of the earth and the birds of the air and things that crawl on the ground—everything that has a living soul in it—I give all the green plants for food." So it was. God looked at all of this creation, and proclaimed that this was good—very good. Evening came and morning followed—the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth and all their array were completed. On the seventh day God had finished all the work of creation, and so, on that seventh day, God rested. God blessed the seventh day and called it sacred, because on it God rested from all the work of creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Canticle 13

Glory to you, O God of our forbears; *

you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *

on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; *

in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Holy Trinity, one God; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

**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.**

Hymn: Wonder, Love and Praise #779 *The church of Christ in every age* verses 1-2, 5

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The church of Christ in ev - ery age, be - set by change but spi - rit led,
A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims of in - jus - tice cry
We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o - be - dience to our Lord:



must claim and test its her - i - tage and keep on ri - sing from the dead.
for shel - ter and for bread to eat and nev - er live un - til they die.
to care for all with - out re - serve. And spread Christ's lib - er - a - ting word.

Second Lesson: Matthew 28:16-20 NRSV

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: *Jocelyn Tidwell*

Creed: *We believe*

Words: Terry Doyle, TSSF paraphrase of the *Apostles Creed*. Music: *Omni die*, from *Gross Catolisch Gesangbuch*, 1631.

Harmony, William Smith Rockstro (1823-1895). Wonder, Love and Praise #742. Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



We be - lieve God, our Cre - a - tor makes our world and calls it good,
We be - lieve God be - came hu - man when the Word em - braced our flesh.
We be - lieve that Je - sus gave all, dy - ing on a cross for love.
We be - lieve that Christ in glo - ry comes a - gain to be our judge,
We be - lieve that we have been called, bap - tized and sent out to serve
We be - lieve God is e - ter - nal: Spir - it, Word and Cre - a - tor;



form - ing heav - ens, earth and crea - tures, each a mir - ror of God's love.
Child of Ma - ry from the Spir - it, Je - sus humb - ly walked on earth.
Then Christ rose to con - quer all death, and as - cend - ed, One with God.
re - con - cil - ing with for - give - ness, bring - ing peace to all on earth.
in a world that longs for heal - ing, jus - tice, dig - ni - ty and hope.
and the dead are raised to new life, liv - ing in God's end - less love.

The Prayers

Officiant: May God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Show us your mercy, O God;

And grant us your salvation.

Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

Let your people sing with joy.

Give peace in all the world;

For only in you can we live in safety.

Keep this nation under your care;

And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let your way be known upon earth;

Your saving health among all nations.

Let not the needy be forgotten;

Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Create in us clean hearts, O God;

And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day: Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Morning: **O Christ, our true and only Light: Receive our morning prayers and illumine the secrets of our hearts with your healing goodness, that no evil desires may possess us who are made new in the light of your heavenly grace through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

God of grace, God of comfort, God of challenge, we offer our praise and gratitude to you for the abundance of your love, the majesty of your being and for the nearness of your presence. As we pray, we praise you, saying: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: The whole earth is full of your glory.**

You are full of strength and power Lord God, and we ask that you give courage to your people and the blessings of your peace. We pray for those places in the world where there is conflict and your people are caught in the violence of war, especially in Sudan and Ukraine. As we pray, we praise you, saying: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: The whole earth is full of your glory.**

You bless us with the gift of the church, gracious God, and we pray that we may be your hands and feet to serve your people. We pray especially for Michael, our presiding bishop; Mariann our bishop; Connie our rector; and for the people of St. George's. As we pray we praise you, saying: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: The whole earth is full of your glory.**

You are our consolation, Holy One, and we pray that you may bind the wounds of all who are affected by the ongoing gun violence in our country. May your Spirit encourage us who are enraged, frustrated, and demoralized by this plague, and may you plant in us the seeds of hope and the fruit of action, we pray: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts: the whole earth is full of your glory.**

You are a healing presence, Holy Spirit, and we pray that you bestow your healing grace on all in need especially for those on our parish prayer list, and those we name before you now. *The people may add their own petitions.* As we pray we praise you, saying: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: The whole earth is full of your glory.**

You are compassion, Lord Christ, and we ask you to open our hearts and teach us to love others as you have love us. May we continue to be inspired to serve those in need in our communities as we pray for the children of families of Gaywood Elementary School and those served by the Bowie Food Pantry and the Warm Nights homeless shelter. As we pray we praise you, saying: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: The whole earth is full of your glory.**

You are our consolation, Spirit of gentleness, and we ask you to comfort those who mourn and surround them with your love as we pray for all who have died. *The people may add their own petitions.* As we pray we praise you, saying: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: The whole earth is full of your glory.**

You share your gifts with us, Spirit of grace, and you give us the joy of special occasions in our lives. We pray for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and all of the blessings we experience. As we pray we praise you, saying: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: The whole earth is full of your glory.**

Come Holy Spirit, come with your life-giving care and joy, through Jesus Christ our rock and our redeemer. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Officiant: Let us confess our sins to God.

Almighty God, we confess that we have sinned against you, through our own fault, in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us all our offenses; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant: May the Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Peace

Officiant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Blessings for Birthdays and Anniversaries

(Be Seated) **O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we prayer, on your servants 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**

Sharing of the Lord's Table



Offertory Hymn: Gather #331 *How Wonderful the Three-in-One*

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How won-der - ful the Three-in - One, whose en - er - gies of danc - ing light
Be - fore the flow of dawn and dark, Cre - a - tion's Lov - er dreamed of earth,
The Lov - er's own Be - lov'd in time, be - tween a cra - dle and a cross,
Their E - qual Friend all life sus - tains with green - ing pow'r and lov - ing care,
How won-der - ful the Liv - ing God: Di - vine Be - lov'd Em - pow' - ring Friend,



Are un - di - vid - ed, pure and good, com - mun - ing love in shared de - light.
And with a car - ing deep and wise, all things con - ceived and brought to birth.
At home in flesh, gave love and life to heal our bro - ken - ness and loss.
And calls us, born a - gain by grace, in Love's com - mun - ing life to share.
E - ter - nal Lov - er, Three-in - One, our hope's be - gin - ning, way and end.

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.

Please stand as you are able.

Collect for Communion

Almighty God, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Officiant: Let us now share the words our Lord taught us:

**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 for ever. Amen.**

Sacramental Words

The Officiant continues:

Beloved in Christ, the Gospel tells us that Jesus welcomed all who dined with him into a fellowship of joy, love, liberation and forgiveness; and that on the first day of the week Jesus Christ was raised from death and appeared to Mary Magdalene. Later on that same day, he sat at the table with two disciples, and was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the joyful feast of the people of God. Come all who hunger and thirst, from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and gather about Christ's table.

The Officiant then says:

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

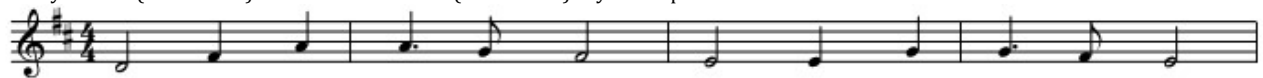
Lord Jesus, in union with your faithful people, we offer to you our praise and thanks. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we pray that you come spiritually into our hearts. Strengthen us with your grace, O Lord, and let us never be separated from you. May we live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

This table is for all who wish to know the presence of Christ and to share in the community of God's people.

Wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are invited to receive the Holy Communion. Whatever you believe or don't believe, you are welcome at this table. For this is Christ's table, and all are welcome.

Communion Hymn 1: LEVAS #88 *My Faith Looks up to Thee*

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My faith looks up to thee, Thou lamb of Cal - va - ry,
 May thy rich grace im - part Strength to my faint - ing heart,
 While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs a - round me spread
 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold, sul - len stream



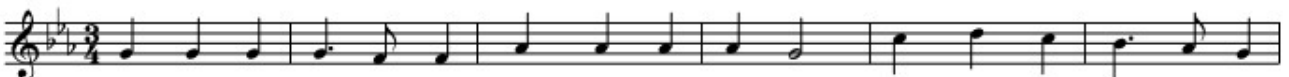
Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray Take all my
 My zeal in - spire; As thou has died for me, O may my
 Be thou my guide; Bid dark - ness turn to - day, Wipe sor - row's
 Shall o'er me roll; Blest Sav - or, then in love, Fear and dis -



guilt a - way; O let me from this day Be whol - ly thine.
 love to thee Pure, warm, and change-less be A liv - ing fire.
 tears a - way; Not let me ev - er stray From thee a - side.
 - trust re - move, O bear me safe a - above, a ran - somed soul!

Communion Hymn 2: LEVAS #189 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

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Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther, There is no shad-ow of
 Sum-mer and win-ter, and spring-time and har-vest, Sun, moon and stars in their
 Par-don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, Thine own dear pres-ence to



turn - ing with thee; Thou chang-est not, thy com - pas-sions, they fail not,
 cours - es a - bove, Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit-ness,
 cheer and to guide; Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor-row.



As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 To thy great faith - ful-ness, mer - cy and love. Great is thy faith-ful-ness!
 Bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be - side!



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by morn-ing new mer-cies I see; All I have



need-ed thy hand hath pro - vid-ed, Great is Thy faith-ful-ness, Lord un-to me!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal Hymn: LEVAS #194 *Lead Me, Guide Me*

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Lead me, guide me, a - long the way, For if you lead me, I can - not



stray. Lord, let me walk each day with Thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.



I am weak and I need thy strength and power to help me o ver my weak - est hour;
Help me tread in the paths of right - eous - ness, be my aid when satan and sin op - press;
I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am blind with - out thy light to see,



Help me through the dark ness thy face to see, Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
I am put - ting all my trust in thee. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser - vant be. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all forevermore. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Holy One.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sources: This service is based on the Book of Common Prayer, pp. 75 – 102 and pp. 396-399. The text for the psalm is from the Community of Saint Francis Office Book. The first lessons is from the Inclusive Bible and the second from the Lectionary page. The Collect for Morning is from the Breviary of St. Helena.