

# **The Season After Pentecost**

St. George's Church & Glenn Dale, Maryland
The Episcopal Diocese of Washington
The Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 21, 2020

Prelude: Summertime by George Gershwin, arr. Mario Stallbaumer

Dr. Joshua Fishbein piano

**Welcome and Introduction** 

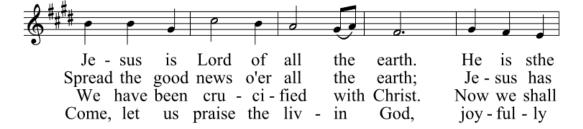
Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 - #178 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord!

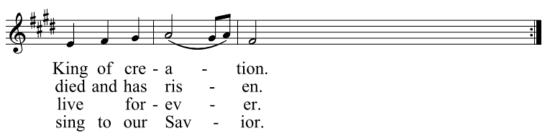


Al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia! Give thanks to the ris-en Lord, Al-le-



- lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Give praise to his Name.





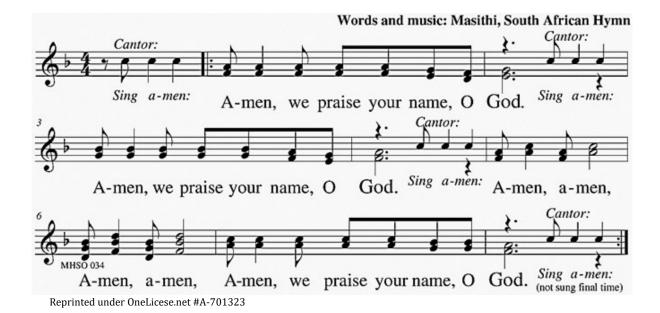
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Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

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: MHSO Amen, We Praise Your Name



*Celebrant*: The Lord be with you. **People**: **And also with you**.

Celebrant: Let us pray together: O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your lovingkindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

O God who calls us to love kindness and do justice, in the midst of violence and injustice in our country we pray that you grant us grace to fearlessly contend against the evils of racism, and that you give us strength and courage to stand against oppression in our words and in our deeds, through Jesus Christ our strength and our guide. Amen.

#### Psalm 86:1-7, 10, 15

Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and in need. Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you. I give thanks to you O God with my whole heart.

You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord for to you I cry all day long. Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. I give thanks to you O God with my whole heart.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you. I give thanks to you O God with my whole heart.

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication. In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

I give thanks to you O God with my whole heart.

Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

I give thanks to you O God with my whole heart.

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever. For great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of the Pit. I give thanks to you O God with my whole heart.

O God, the insolent rise up against me; those who use terror seek to destroy my life, and they do not set you before them.

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

I give thanks to you O God with my whole heart.

### Matthew 10:24-39

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. "Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

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

The Sermon: The Rev. Connie Reinhardt

#### The Creed: WLP 768



## **Prayers of the People**

God of wind and fire, you send the Holy Spirit to renew us to do your work in the world. Come to us now; comfort and inspire us, refresh us, challenge us as we seek to follow in the way of Jesus. We pray saying **Come Holy Spirit**.

Come Holy Spirit and renew your church in this challenging time. May we be open to new ways of sharing Christ's message of love and hope, and may we walk always in the way of justice. We pray for Michael our presiding bishop, Mariann our bishop, Connie our rector, and the community of St. George's, saying **Come Holy Spirit**.

Come Holy Spirit and be with those who lead, in our communities and in our state, in our country and in the world. May those who make decisions for others be guided by your wisdom and know their responsibility to care for those who are most vulnerable. We pray, saying **Come Holy Spirit**.

Come Holy Spirit and pour out your grace on those who protest and those who call for and work towards racial justice in our country. Inspire us to serve those who are hungry and for those experiencing homelessness, and for all who face economic uncertainty in this time. We pray, saying **Come Holy Spirit.** 

Come Holy Spirit and give comfort and healing to those who are sick and those who suffer, to those in need and those in pain. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list, and those we name before you now. . . . saying **Come Holy Spirit.** 

Come Holy Spirit and comfort those who mourn. We pray for those who have died, that you may bring them rest in your loving arms, saying **Come Holy Spirit**.

Come Holy Spirit and fill us with gratitude for all of our blessings, given freely by the God who made us and loves us. May we live each day in a spirit of thanksgiving. We pray saying **Come Holy Spirit.** 

Holy One you promise never to leave us comfortless. Help us trust in your goodness and to know ourselves surrounded by your grace, now and always, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### The Confession and Absolution

*Celebrant:* Now let us confess our sins to God. *Silence is kept.* 

People: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will

in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only

your will. Amen.

Celebrant: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins,

the will for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### The Peace

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

People: And also with you.



**Announcements and Blessings for Birthdays & Anniversaries** 

The Contemplative Prayer Group will meet on Tuesday, June 23 at 7:30 pm on Zoom. Other services during the week include Compline on Wednesday, June 24 at 8:00 pm and Evening Prayer on Thursday, June 25 at 6:00 pm. Zoom links for these can be found on the Calendar in the parish website.

https://www.stgeorgesglenndale.org/calendar.html

### Offertory Hymn: LEVAS #191 His Eye is on the Sparrow



Why should I feel dis - cour - aged, Why should the shad-ows come, "Let not your heart be trou - bled," His ten - der word I hear When ev - er I am tempt-ed, When ev - er clouds a - rise,



Why should my heart be lone-ly, And long for heav'n and home; When And rest - ing on His good-ness, I lose my doubts and fears, Though When songs give place to sigh-ing, When hope with - in me dies, I



Je - sus is my por-tion? My con-stant friend is He; His eye is on the by the path He lead-eth, But one step I may see; draw the close-er to Him, From care he sets me free;



spar-row, And I know he watch-es me; His eye is on the spar-row, And I



know he watch-es me. I sing be-cause I'm hap-py, I sing be-cause I'm



free; For his eye is on the spar-row, And I know he watch-es me.

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## **Prayers for Communion in Spirit**

Celebrant: Though we are separated from one another spatially, we remain connected to each other in heart and spirit as we contemplate the real presence of Christ in our midst. We remember that Christ is truly present with us, not only in bread and wine, but in our daily lives. Through this period of our physical separation, we fast from a literal participation in the sharing of communion, while also knowing that we receive the presence of Christ through our desire to share the sacrament. In that spirit let us pray:

Jesus, I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Though we cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Anthem: O Rise and Sing by James Biery sung by the St. George's Virtual Choir

O rise and sing to God today!
And call on our Creator's might:
The will of God to be our guide,
The eye of God to be our sight.
The word of God to be our song,
The hand of God to be our stay
The shield of God to be our strength,
The path of God to be our way.

### The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now in the Spirit of Christ, we pray,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord, who calls us to take up our cross and follow him on his way of love. We offer to you our humble thanks and praise for the blessings we have received this day through our worship of you; we pray that the week to come may be spent in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## The Blessing

May God give you grace to risk something big for something good, and grace to remember that the world is too dangerous for anything but truth and too small for anything but Love. And may the blessing of God who created us, Christ Jesus who brings us new life, and the Holy Spirit who guides and sustains us be with you now and remain with you always. *Amen.* 



## Dismissal Hymn: LEVAS # 136 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus



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#### **Dismissal**

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth into the world to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God and our neighbor.

People: Thanks be to God!