



The Season After Pentecost
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
St. George's Church
Glenn Dale Parish
The Episcopal Diocese of Washington

September 19, 2021

Welcome to St. George's! We are glad to see you this morning, whether in person or virtually. Zoom participants are encouraged to leave your video camera on or turn it off; at certain points during the service participants in the sanctuary will see the gallery view of those taking part in the service via Zoom.

Prelude: *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* by Anthony J. Showalter (1858-1924), arr. Anna Laura Page (b. 1943)

Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 # 480 *When Jesus left his Father's Throne*

Words: James Montgomery. Music: *Kingfield* folk melody adapted by Ralph Vaughan Williams. OneLicense.net #A-701323



When Je - sus left his Fa - ther's throne, he chose an hum - ble birth; like
Sweet were his words and kind his look, when mo - thers round him pressed, their
When Je - sus in - to Zi - on rode, the chil - dren sang a - round; for



us, un - hon - ored and un - known, he came to dwell on earth. Like
in - fants in his arms he took, and on his bos - om blessed. Safe
joy they plucked the palms and strowed their gar - ments on the ground. Ho -



him may we be found be - low in wis - dom's path of peace; like
from the world's al - lur - ing harms, be - neath his watch - ful eye, thus
- san - na our glad voic - es raise, ho - san - na to our King! Should



him in grace and know - ledge grow as years and strength in - crease.
in the cir - cle of his arms may we for ev - er lie.
we for - get our Sa - vior's praise, the stones them - selves would sing.

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: Hymnal 1982 #S280

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Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-
- might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our
prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho-y One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most
High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther, A - men.

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: **God, who draws near, who comes to our level, whose nature is revealed in lordship laid aside: give us grace to welcome you in the one who tests the bounds of our community: in the child, the outcast, the one who comes with no power save that of remaking our heart; through Jesus Christ, the one who will be betrayed. Amen.**

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God**

Psalm 54

Save me O God by the power of your name: **and vindicate me by your might.**

Hear my prayer O God: **and listen to the words of my mouth.**

For insolent people have risen against me:

ruthless ones are seeking my life, they give no thought to God.

But see, God is my helper: **it is the Lord who upholds my life.**

The offering of a willing heart I will give you:

and praise your name O Lord in your faithfulness.

Gospel Hymn: LEVAS #216 *In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified*

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In my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied; In my
In my song, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied; In my
In your church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied; In your



life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
song, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.

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

Mark 9:30-37

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them,

"Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you, Lord Christ**

The Sermon

Brother Ed Munro, BSG

The Creed *We Believe in God Our Creator*

Words: Nicene Creed paraphrased by Terry Doyle TSSF.

Music: 17th Century French Carol, *Piccardy*; Hymnal 1982 # 324 *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent*

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1. We be - lieve in God our Cre - a - tor, mak - ing ev - 'ry
2. We be - lieve in Christ our Re - deem - er, God from God and
3. Christ now con - quers death on the third day, and as - cends to
4. We be - lieve in God's Ho - ly Spi - rit, Breath of Life sus -
5. We are sim - ple, bro - ken peo - ple, gath - ered in one

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u - ni - verse, who was and will be for -
love from love, one in be - ing with the Cre -
God's ho ly throne, God tri - une now rules for
- tain - ing Earth. For the Spir - it groans in
Church and made whole. One with seek - ers, saints, and

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- e - ver, source of all that live and breathe.
- a - tor, and the Spir - it three in one.
all time as the course of stars will run.
la - bor as cre - a - tion gives new birth.
sin - ners, trust - ing in God's mer - cy and love.

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All things vis - i - ble and all that is un - seen
Je - sus born of Ma - ry from the Spir - it formed,
Christ now comes a - gain as judge of all on Earth,
And the Spir - it now re - news all life on Earth,
As God's lov - ing kind - ness knows no hu - man bounds,

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come to be through God the One.
shared our flesh and died our death.
re - con - cil - ing all to God.
in God's end - less flow - ing love.
be - yond death we're raised to new life.

The Prayers of the People

God of mercy, God of graciousness, God of compassion: In your abounding love for us and the whole human race, you nurture our spirits; and in your loving-kindness you calm our fears. Trusting in your goodness we pray: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, you give us responsibility to govern and lead. We pray that all in authority may use their power justly for the good of all people and of the earth. Trusting in your goodness we pray: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Nurturing God, grace your church with your love, that we may know that Jesus is present to us and your whole church. We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mariann our Bishop, Chilton our Assisting Bishop, Connie our rector, Sarah and Thelma as they offer pastoral support, and for the lay leadership and congregation of St. George's. Trusting in your goodness we pray: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Compassionate God who hears the cries of all who suffer, we pray for all who are hungry, for those caught in violence and war, for those experiencing homelessness, and for those who suffer storms and natural disasters. We pray especially for the families of Gaywood Elementary School and the guests of the Warm Nights program. Inspire us to be your hands serving those in need. Trusting in your goodness we pray: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, we know that you are always present with us to give comfort in our fears. With your generous touch, heal those for whom we pray: for those who are sick, and those who are in any need or trouble. We pray for those on our parish prayer list, and for those we name now in our hearts. Trusting in your goodness we pray: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, we pray for all who have died and for those whom we love but see no longer, and ask for your presence with those who mourn. Trusting in your goodness we pray: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Loving God, you bless us with so many reasons to celebrate the joys of our lives. Accept our gratitude for the abundance of your grace, especially for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and for other blessings of this life. Trusting in your goodness we pray: **Lord hear our prayer.**

Holy One, your people look to you for nurture and healing: Fill our lives with the outpouring of your Spirit that we may be courageous and faithful disciples of the one whose mercy and loving-kindness reaches across all boundaries, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

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

All pray together: **Living God, we confess that our faith is sometimes weak, our love for others can be faint, our prayers often timid, and our gratitude frequently unconvincing. Yet when we feel far from you, you draw near to us with mercy and forgiveness. Wash us with the water of life, that we may live again through the grace and compassion of Jesus, our resurrected Savior. 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

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

Do good works and share what you have, for these are the sacrifices pleasing to God.

Traditionally this would be the time for the basket to be passed to receive financial donations from those worshipping in person. For safety reasons, that practice has changed. We encourage you to give electronically wherever possible. You can use your phone to text stgeodragon to 72356. Or just use your web browser to go to www.onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/Give. If your bank offers Zelle, you can use your banking app to send a donation via Zelle to donations@stgeo.comcastbiz.net. There are also baskets at the entrance and exit doors of the Sanctuary for donations of checks or cash. Many thanks for your financial support of St. George's.

Offertory Anthem: *Cantique de Jean Racine* by Faure

*Verbe égal au Très-Haut, notre unique espérance
Jour éternel de la terre et des cieux,
De la paisible nuit nous rompons le silence,
Divin Sauveur, jette sur nous les yeux.
Répands sur nous le feu de Ta grâce puissante,
que tout l'enfer fuie au son de Ta voix,
Dissipe le sommeil d'une âme languissante
qui la conduit à l'oubli de Tes lois!
Ô Christ! sois favorable à ce peuple fidèle,
pour Te bénir maintenant rassemblé,
Reçois les chants qu'il offre à Ta gloire immortelle
Et de Tes dons qu'il retourne comblé.*

Redeemer divine, our sole hope of salvation,
Eternal light of the earth and the day,
On this Thy holy day, we kneel in adoration,
O, Savior, turn on us Thy loving eye.
Send down on us the fire of Thy grace all consuming,
whose wondrous might dispersed the powers of hell,
And rouse our slumbering souls with radiance all illumining,
that they may waken Thy mercy to tell!
O Christ, bestow Thy blessing on us, we implore Thee,
who here are gathered on penitent knees,
Accept the hymns we chant to Thine eternal lasting glory
and these Thy gifts we return unto Thee.

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.**

The Celebrant continues:

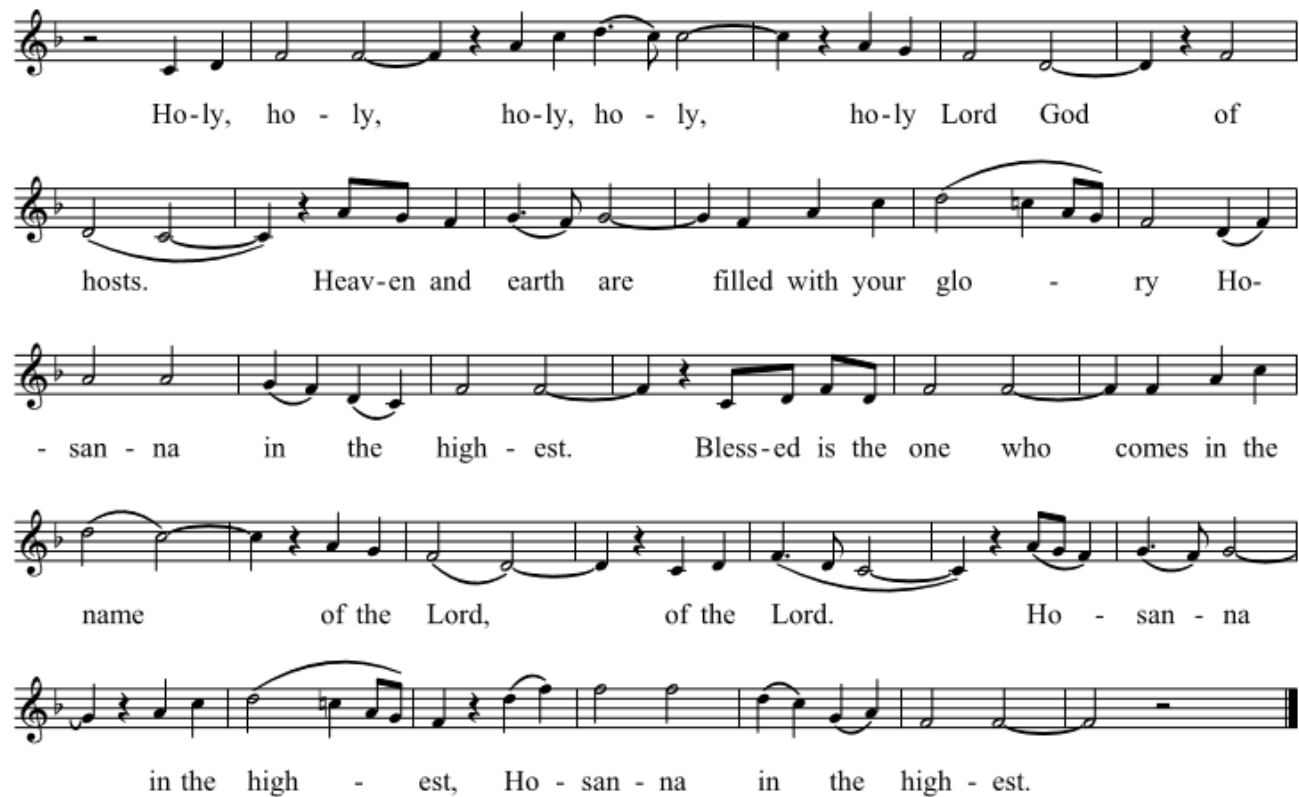
We give you thanks and praise, Almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

Glory to you forever and ever.

You created us to love you with our whole hearts, and to love each other as ourselves, but we turn against you and against each other. Yet, in Jesus your Son, you call us back, bring healing to our world, and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wondrous name, 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. Bless-ed 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.

The Celebrant continues:

We give you thanks and praise O God because in sending us Jesus you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry; he suffers with the sick and rejected. Yet even betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death, and by raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all people. **Glory to you forever and ever.**

On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to them saying "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this to remember me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said "Drink this, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in my blood, poured out for you and for all. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me." **Glory to you forever and ever.**

Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you, proclaiming the mystery of our faith:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again

And now, O Holy One, we pray that you send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the risen life with him and all your people. **Glory to you forever and ever.**

Holy One, You call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather with joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, O God, through Jesus our Lord, in the power of the Spirit, now and always. Glory to you forever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now let us pray with confidence the words our Savior has taught us:

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. And 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The bread is broken and silence is kept, all sing the fraction anthem.

Fraction Anthem: *Be Known to Us Wonder Love and Praise # 875*

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The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: "Be known to us Lord Je-sus, in the break-ing of the bread. be bread. One bod-y are we, al-le-lu-ia, for though man-y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord Je-sus, in the break - ing of the bread." The score includes performance directions: "Cantor or choir" for the first staff, "1. Congregation" and "2. Cantor or choir" for the second staff, and "Congregation" for the third staff. A small copyright notice "WLP 875" is visible at the bottom left of the fourth staff.

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

If you would like to receive the Eucharist, you may choose to receive both the bread and wine or only one of them. If you receive the wine, please drop your empty cup into the recycling bin at the door. Note that hand sanitizer is available as you exit. Please follow the arrows to go through the narthex (hallway) and back into the Sanctuary and on to your seat.



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.

Communion Hymn 1: My Heart Sings Out #105 We Are All Children of the Lord

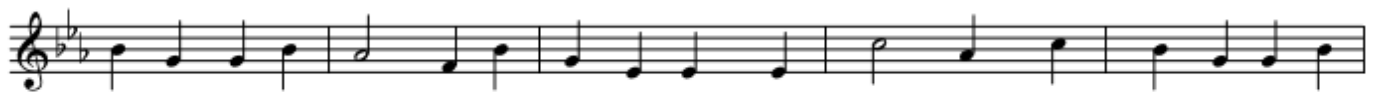
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We are all chil-dren of the Lord, young and old, big and lit-tle. We are



all chil-dren of the Lord, let us live in har-mo - ny! Man-y names, man-y



fac-es, man-y lands, man-y plac-es, but through time and through spac-es we are



one hu-man-i - ty. We are all chil-dren of the Lord, one by one, all to-



- gether-er. We are all chil-dren of the Lord, just like one big fam-i - ly.

Communion Hymn 2: Hymnal 1982 #482 *Lord of All Hopefulness*

Words: Jim Struther. Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody; adapt. *The Church hymnary, 1927*. Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ev - er
Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were
Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to
Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is con-



child-like, no cares could des - troy, be there at our wak - ing and give us, we
skilled at the plane and the lathe, be there at our la - bors and give us, we
wel - come, your arms to em - brace be there at our hom - ing and give us, we
- tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm, be there at our sleep - ing and give us, we



pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray:

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now O God, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant: May God, who is the source of all goodness and growth, pour out blessings upon all creation, and upon us God's people, that we may use the gifts God has given us to do justice and bring peace. 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 #196 *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

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What a fel-low-ship, what a joy di-vine, Lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
O how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, Lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
What have I to dread, what have I to fear, Lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.



What a bless-ed-ness, grows from day to day, Lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
O how bright the path grows from day to day, Lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near Lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.



Lean - ing, lean - ing safe and se - cure from all a - larms;



Lean - ing, lean - ing, Lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.

The Dismissal

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

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude: *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*, arr. Victor Labenske

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