



ST. GREGORY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
THE HOLY EUCHARIST—RITE II
PENTECOST 16
SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

10:00 AM

THE REVEREND DAVID POTTER, *CELEBRANT*
THE REVEREND ANDREW J. SHERMAN, *PREACHER*

Welcome to Saint Gregory's! We invite you to join us in active participation in the worship of God. This leaflet contains the service music and congregational portions of the liturgy taken from the Book of Common Prayer. Hymn numbers are found in the Blue Hymnal 1982.

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ.

Through its power and brilliance, may you feel God's majesty and glory—in its quietness, God's peace.

Please turn off all electronic devices including cell phones.

THE ORGAN PRELUDE *Susan Dodd, Guest Organist.*

All stand as the bells peal. The Procession enters as all sing together

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 47 ON THIS DAY, THE FIRST OF DAYS

GOTT SIE DANK

The People remain standing for

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

CELEBRANT Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. AMEN.***

The Celebrant continues

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.**

THE GLORIA *Sung by all, standing.*

SETTING BY ROBERT POWELL

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. 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. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE ***And also with you.***

CELEBRANT Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The People are seated for

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

[22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23]

Elizabeth Rockafellow, Lector.

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches,
and favor is better than silver or gold.
The rich and the poor have this in common:
the LORD is the maker of them all.

Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity,
and the rod of anger will fail.

Those who are generous are blessed,
for they share their bread with the poor.

Do not rob the poor because they are poor,
or crush the afflicted at the gate;
for the LORD pleads their cause
and despoils of life those who despoil them.

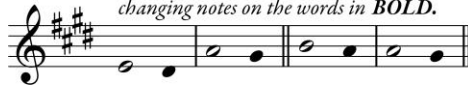
PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

THE PSALM *Sung by all, changing notes on the words in Bold.*

[125]

Verses are sung to the chant below,

changing notes on the words in BOLD.



1 Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount
Zion,
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for
ever.

2 The hills stand about Je*ru*salem;
so does the LORD stand round about his
people,
from this time forth for ever*more*.

3 The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway
over the land allotted to the *just*,

so that the just shall not put their hands to *evil*.

4 Show your goodness, O LORD, to those who are
good
and to those who are true of *heart*.

Sung to last half of chant.

5 As for those who turn aside to crooked ways,
the LORD will lead them away with the
evil **doers**;
but peace be upon **Israel**.

A READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF JAMES

[2:1-17]

Luciano Lazzarino, Lector.

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, “Have a seat here, please,” while to the one who is poor you say, “Stand there,” or, “Sit at my feet,” have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, “You shall not commit adultery,” also said, “You shall not murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

LECTOR The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

The People stand for

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 602

JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE

CHEREPONI

THE GREAT ALLELUIA

TIM BRUMFIELD

Played once by the organ, then sung by all.



THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK

[7:24-37]

PEOPLE

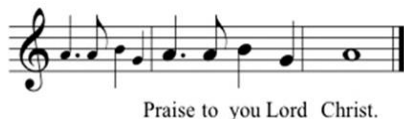


Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

GOSPELLER The Gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE



Praise to you Lord Christ.

All repeat the Alleluias

The People are seated.

THE SERMON THE REVEREND ANDREW J. SHERMAN, RECTOR

The People stand for

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. AMEN.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

FORM III

The Leader and people pray responsively. Christel Bruno, Leader.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church
may truly and humbly serve you:

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence is kept. The People may add their own petitions at this time. The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

Deacon or Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. AMEN.

The Celebrant says,

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.***

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.
All are welcomed formally as announcements, birthday, and anniversary blessings are made.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY SOLO

AVE MARIA Sam Cucci, Soloist

SCHUBERT

Ave María, grátia plena, grátia plena, Dóminus tecum. Benedícta to in muliéribus, et benedíctus fructus ventris tui, Jesus.
Sancta María! Sancta María! María, ora pro nobis, nobis eccatóribus, Nunc et in hora, in hora mortis nostrae, Amen.
*Hail Mary, full of grace, Hail, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed, is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus,
Holy Maria, Holy Maria, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

All stand as the Gifts are brought forward and sing together

THE PRESENTATION HYMN 380 PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW Verses 3 only.

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

	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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT

POWELL

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues. The People may stand, kneel, or sit, as desired.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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 of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**


And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Cantor



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

People



There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Facing the people, the celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE COMMUNION MEDITATION

ETERNAL LIFE
Sam Cucci, Soloist

BASED ON THE PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS/ DUNGAN

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace; Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is in jury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pard'ning that we are pardoned;
It is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the People stand as the Celebrant says Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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 his 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 Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

THE BLESSING

FROM THE NEW ZEALAND BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

May Christ, who is human and divine, who is of heaven and also of earth, lift up your hearts and lives to God. May Christ make you faithful and strong to do his will that you may reign with him in glory. May Christ's holy, healing, enabling Spirit be with you every step of the way and be your guide as your road changes and turns. May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth. And the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. **AMEN.**

THE DISMISSAL

DEACON Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
PEOPLE **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

THE CLOSING HYMN 493

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

AZMON

The Procession retires during

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE *Susan Dodd, Guest Organist.*

We welcome you to our service of worship! It is our fervent prayer that you will find God's love and peace in this holy place. We invite you to explore life at St. Gregory's by speaking with one of the clergy following the service or by filling out an information card, which can be placed in the offering plate or given to an usher. You can also visit us at www.stgregorysepisopal.org or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, or our St. Gregory's mobile app. God is doing extraordinary things among us. We invite you to be part of it!

We welcome Susan Dodd as our Guest Organist this morning.

We welcome Sam Cucci to our worship this morning as our guest soloist. The Choir of St. Gregory's is on summer vacation and returns NEXT SUNDAY September 15.

Notes about today's music: One of Franz Schubert's (1797-1828) most popular works is his beautiful setting of *Ave Maria* which he composed in 1825 as part of his Opus 52, a setting of seven poems for Walter Scott's 1810 narrative poem *The Lady of the Lake*. An Austrian composer of the late Classical and early Romantic periods, Schubert composed a vast amount of works including 600 vocal works, seven complete symphonies, and a large body of piano, chamber, sacred, and operatic music. His *Symphony No. 8 in B minor (Unfinished)* and *Ave Maria* are perhaps some of his most beloved works. His extraordinary life ended abruptly at the young age of 31 years due to typhoid fever.

Olive Dungan (Pullen) (1904-1997) was a concert pianist and composer who lived in Miami, Florida. She composed her setting of the *Prayer of St. Francis* in 1949 which became her most popular work especially among American protestant churches in the 1950's and 60's. Other works include an operetta for children entitled *The Mysterious Forest (1964)* and a four-hand piano composition entitled *Tropic Night Suite (1935)*. Dungan advocated for greater exposure of women composers and poets throughout her life.

Timothy Brumfield
Director of Music



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