



**Henrico Parish
The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 2, 2020
10: 00 a.m.
Liturgy of the Word**

Welcome to St. John's Church. We are glad you have joined us for our online worship service this morning.

The service can be accessed through the YouTube link on our newsletter; our YouTube Channel, "St. John's Episcopal Church, Richmond, Va;" or through our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/historicstjohnschurch. Search for the post entitled "Worship for the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost" and click on the arrow to begin the video premiere. The service will also be available on our website, www.saintjohnsrichmond.org; click on the link to the video as indicated. The premiere has a "live chat" feature, and we welcome your participation; we will save the video for future viewing at your convenience.

If you are new to us today and have any questions about our worship or the life of our parish, do not hesitate to contact our rector, the Rev. Amelie Wilmer, at awilmer@saintjohnsrichmond.org. Be sure to visit our website, [saintjohnsrichmond.org](https://www.saintjohnsrichmond.org), and sign up for our newsletter.

As we prepare our hearts for worship during this unusual and uncertain time, here is a prayer from the New Zealand Prayer Book that has comforted the hearts of many over the ages.

God of the present moment,
God who in Jesus stills the storm
and soothes the frantic heart;
bring hope and courage to us
as we wait in uncertainty.

Bring hope that you will make us the equal of whatever lies ahead.
Bring us courage to endure what cannot be avoided,
for your will is health and wholeness;
you are God, and we need you. Amen.

Our Mission

We are a caring, spiritual community, joyfully embracing and nurturing all;
serving God, each other, and the community.

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Prelude

All Who Are Thirsty

Words of Welcome

Opening Hymn "Glorious things of thee are spoken"

Hymnal 522



1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring-ing from e - ter - nal love,
3 Round each hab - i - ta-tion hov-ering, see the cloud and fire ap - pear,
4 Blest in - hab - i - tants of Zi - on, washed in the Re-deem-er's blood!



he whose Word can - not be bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode.
well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.
for a glo - ry and a cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near!

Je - sus, whom their souls re - ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.



On the Rock of A - ges found-ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?
Who can faint while such a riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage?
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
'Tis his love his peo - ple raise o - ver self to reign as kings:



With sal - va-tion's walls sur-round-ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
Grace, which like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - e fails from age to age.
safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them when they pray.
and as priests, his sol - emn prais-es each for a thank-off - ering brings.



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MUSIC: Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

AUSTRIAN HYMN
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Opening Acclamation

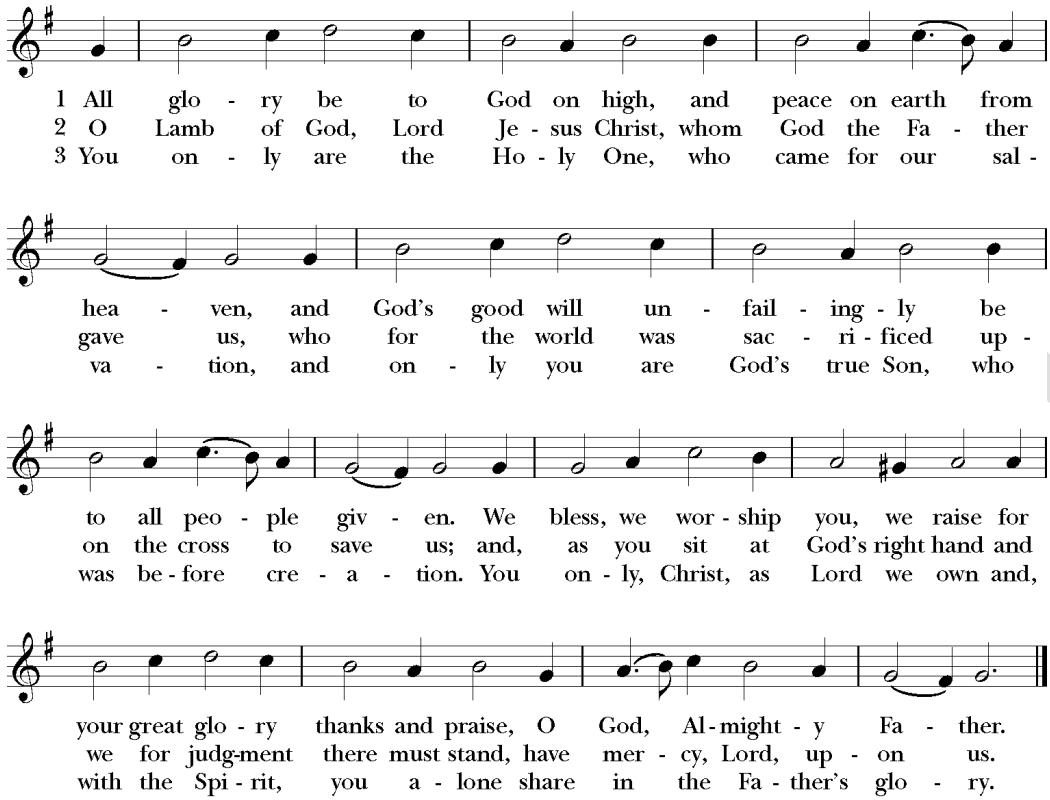
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

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

Hymnal 421



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -

heav - en, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who

to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,

your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al-might - y Fa - ther.
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Reading

Isaiah 55:1-5

Thus says the Lord: "Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response *Said in unison*

Psalm 145: 8-9, 15-22

Exaltabo te, Deus

8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 The LORD is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.

15 The LORD upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down.

16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, *
and you give them their food in due season.

17 You open wide your hand *
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.

18 The LORD is righteous in all his ways *
and loving in all his works.

19 The LORD is near to those who call upon him, *
to all who call upon him faithfully.

20 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; *
he hears their cry and helps them.

21 The LORD preserves all those who love him, *
but he destroys all the wicked.

22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; *
let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.

The Second Reading

I am speaking the truth in Christ- I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn "Lord, for ever at thy side"

Romans 9:1-5

Hymnal 670

Unison or harmony

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The Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

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

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
 People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Dorothy White

Music for Meditation

All Who Are Thirsty

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

During the season after Pentecost, we proclaim the life of Jesus that lives on in us through the power of the Holy Spirit, and we pray that the Spirit will lead us and guide us along the way.

O God, creator of life and giver of gladness, let us be your Beacon on the Hill, shining your light so brightly that others may come to know you, to love, and to be loved. Help us to reach out to those around us, bearing fruit through acts of kindness, welcome, and fellowship.

In your goodness, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

Bring reconciliation among your children. Let those who have not experienced systemic bigotry and racism listen deeply to the pain and the anguish of those who have. And, having heard their voices, equip us to be repairers of the breach and the dismantlers of systems.

With your creative energy, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

Let your mercy and justice roll down like waters, on all of your creation, especially on care facilities and communities of poverty and color hit hardest by this pandemic. Give us courage to respond in love.

In your mercy, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

Bring inspiration to researchers working on a COVID-19 vaccine. Bring healing through the hands of doctors, nurses, CNA's, medical technicians, and first responders. Bring comfort with the ministry of last responders.

With your power working through them, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

As you moved among the chaos at the beginning of creation, move through Susan, Jennifer, and Porter our bishops; and move with all ministers of word, sacrament, and service, and all the holy people of God. Let us be the living church to a world that needs your word and our service, now more than ever.

As you move through us, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

Sanctify and nurture all houses of worship as they gather remotely and in person so that they may be sanctuaries of peace and places of safety. Give grace and knowledge to the leaders of your houses of worship to keep your children safe.

Through your presence, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

Guide President Trump, Governor Northam, and all in authority, to make hard, holy, and good decisions to keep all they serve safe. As the disciples held all things in common after Pentecost, let them and us hold all things and all people in common.

With the community of the Holy Trinity, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

Open our ears to hear cries of the hungry and the oppressed, the incarcerated and the victimized, the addicted and the sober, and those experiencing poverty and economic insecurity, and bless our feet to run to them.

As you drove Jesus into the wilderness, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

Embrace your children who are sick or suffering, broken or hurting, lonely or isolated, especially Cheyenne, Lydia, Paul, Herb, Jim, Ellen, Missy and her family, Freda, Steve, Kate, Michael, the Morgan family, Faye, Paul, Ned, Ford, and Bill.

With your healing presence, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

Visit the dying and welcome home the departed; hold gently the families and friends that mourn.

In your comforting embrace, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

We give you thanks for the blessing you have bestowed upon Allie and Adam Hake in giving them Frances Marshall. Confirm their joy by a lively sense of your presence with them, and give them calm strength and patient wisdom as they seek to bring Frances to love all that is true and noble, just and pure, lovable and gracious, excellent and admirable, following the example of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

As you taught us to receive a little child in the name of Christ, Holy Spirit **lead us and guide us.**

For our own prayers of intercession and thanksgiving, offered silently or aloud.

Silence

Having offered these prayers to you, Gracious God, empower us so that we may bring about the Reign of God.

With your holy fire and rushing wind, Holy Spirit: **lead us and guide us.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

The Lord's Prayer

Leader And now, as Jesus taught us, let us pray.

All **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 Confession and Absolution

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 Peace

Announcements

Blessing

Closing Hymn "Loaves were broken, words were spoken"



1. Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the
2. Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a
3. Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in
4. By the loaves you break and give us, send us



Gal - i - le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of Life from
qui - et room one night. In the bread and wine you
faith we gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the
in your name to share bread for which the mil - lions



heav - en, was their food for - ev - er - more.
gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.
a - ges: "I am with you; do not fear!"
hun - ger, words that tell your love and care.



By your Bod - y bro - ken for us, by your



wine of Life out-poured, Je-sus, feed a - gain your



peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

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The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace, to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Song 13

Orlando Gibbons

Welcome to St. John's Church

If you are seeking a place to explore your faith, we invite you

to make St. John's Church your spiritual home.

Please visit our website at saintjohnsrichmond.org and sign up for our newsletter.

To inquire about membership, please contact our rector, the Rev. Amelie Wilmer at

Prayer for St. John's Church

O God, creator of life and giver of gladness, let us be your Beacon on the Hill, shining your light so brightly that others may come to know you, to love, and to be loved. Help us to reach out to those around us, bearing fruit through acts of kindness, welcome, and fellowship. Amen.

Serving this Morning

Celebrant	The Rev. Amelie Wilmer
Preacher	The Rev. Dr. Dorothy White
Deacon	The Ven. David Curtis
Minister of Music	Jim Bennett
Choristers	
Flutist	Susan Bagot
Readers	Ryan Smith, Lisa Wood, Jane Hunnicutt, and Laura Streat
Video Editor	August Butler

In our prayers this week:

Our city: for the workplaces and businesses of Metropolitan Richmond; for safe, respectful work environments, healthy work ethics and attitudes, and sufficient salary and benefits for all workers.

The sick or in need: for Cheyenne, Lydia, Paul, Herb Broda, Jim Carpenter, Ellen Flory, Missy Gordon and her family, Freda Hartman, Steve Harwell, Kate Mackey, Michael Maloney, the Morgan family, Faye Proto, Paul Roper, Ned Schutt, Ford Thompson, Bill Thornton, and all those who suffer because of COVID-19.

The newly born: for Frances Marshall Hake, daughter of Allie and Adam Hake, who was born July 16.

The diocesan cycle of prayer: for the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion

If you have a prayer request, please notify Patty Duffy, our Parish Administrator. We will pray for those who are sick or in need for one month, unless you specifically request us to do otherwise.

Music Permission

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