

Welcome to
St. John's Episcopal Church

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 2020

9:00 am

Livestream on Facebook

*No matter who you are or where you are on your spiritual journey,
you are welcome here*

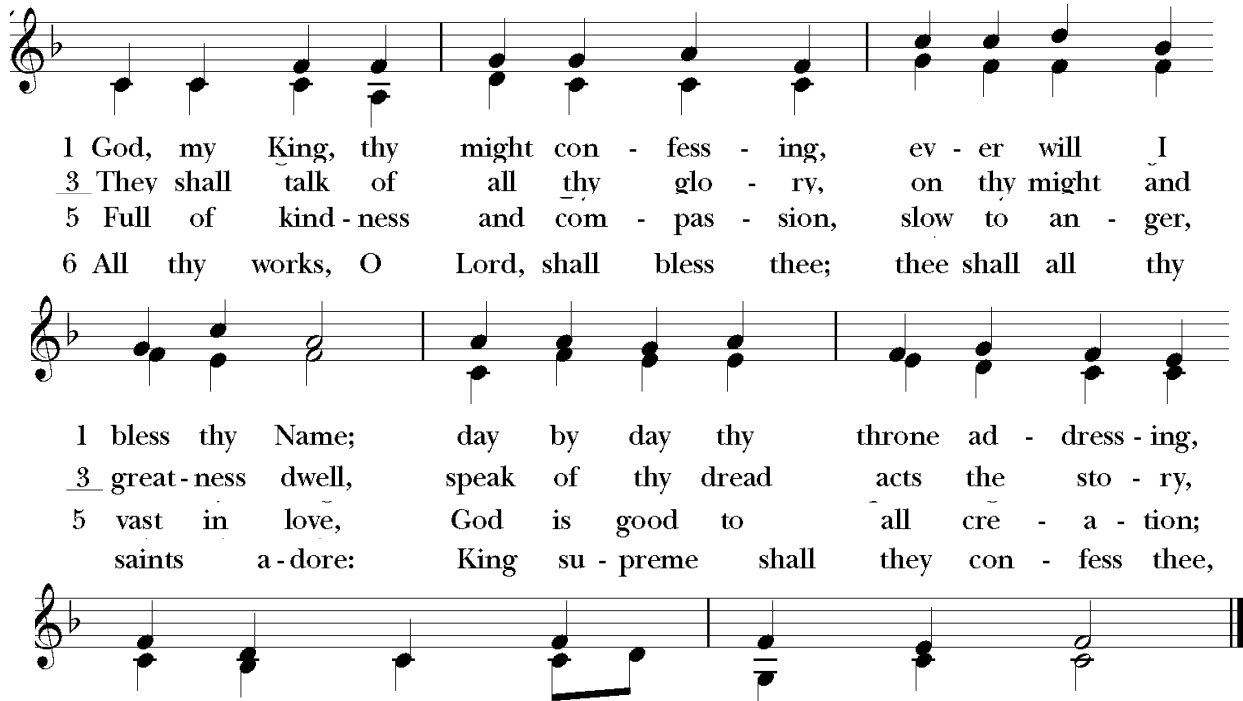


The Word of God with Spiritual Communion

Opening Hymn

God, my King, thy might confessing

Hymnal 414 vs. 1,3,5,6



1 God, my King, thy might con - fess - ing, ev - er will I
 3 They shall talk of all thy glo - ry, on thy might and
 5 Full of kind - ness and com - pas - sion, slow to an - ger,
 6 All thy works, O Lord, shall bless thee; thee shall all thy

1 bless thy Name; day by day thy throne ad - dress - ing,
 3 great - ness dwell, speak of thy dread acts the sto - ry,
 5 vast in love, God is good to all cre - a - tion;
 saints a - dore: King su - preme shall they con - fess thee,

1 still will I thy praise pro - claim.
 3 and thy deeds of won - der tell.
 5 all his works his good - ness prove.
 and pro - claim thy sov - ereign power.

Salutation

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

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen***

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.***

Presider Lord, have mercy.

People ***Christ, have mercy.***

Presider Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Presider Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Lessons

A Reading from the First Book of Kings

1 Kings 19:9-18

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85:8-13

Benedixisti, Domine

I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,

***for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.***

Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,

that his glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth have met together;

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go before him,
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

"The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Help us, O Lord, to learn

Hymnal 628



1 Help us, O Lord, to learn the truths your word im - parts: to
2 Help us, O Lord, to live the faith which we pro - claim, that
3 Help us, O Lord, to teach the beau - ty of your ways, that



stu - dy, that your laws may be in - scribed up - on our hearts.
all our thoughts and words and deeds may glo - ri - fy your Name.
yearn-ing souls may find the Christ and live a life of praise.

The Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

Presider

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People

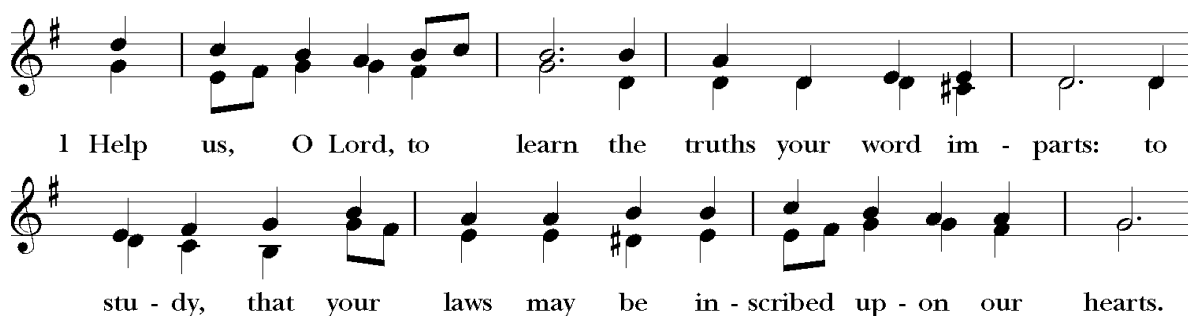
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.



Sermon

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.*

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world and all who are in need.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your presence in the world.

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Guide the people of this country, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Bless all who live in relationship with one another, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Comfort and heal all those who are weary in body, mind, or spirit; come to the aid of those who suffer from the coronavirus, the unemployed, the hungry and the homeless, and all those listed on our parish prayer list; give them courage and hope through our care, and give them the rest and joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Rev. Al Stott and Rob McKay, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Together let us pray for those serving in the armed forces, first responders, medical professionals, essential workers and their families

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces, first responders, medical professionals, essential workers and their families. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and challenges; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presider O Lord our God,
accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***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.***

Presider 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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ***And also with you.***

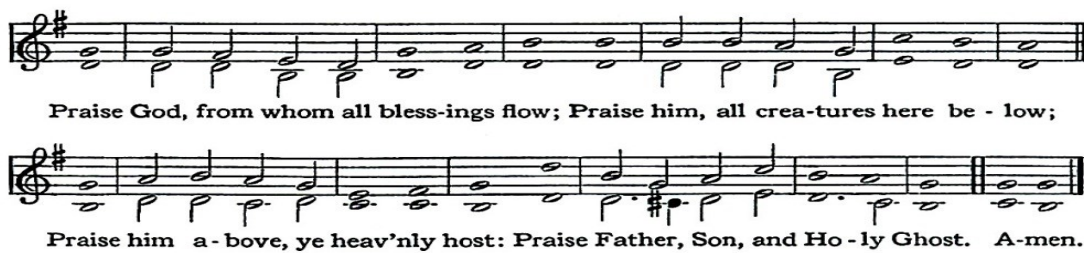
Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

The Offertory

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.
Ephesians 5:2

*Stewardship is about the offering of our time, talent and treasure.
Thank you to all those who make the work and ministry of St. John's continue.
We have made it even more convenient for you to offer a reoccurring or one-time gift online.
You will find a "Give Now" button on our St. John's website: www.saint-johns.org*

Doxology



The Lord's Prayer

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
***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.***

Spiritual Communion

Presider It is a tradition in Episcopal churches to share together in the sacrament of Holy Communion, sharing in Christ's Body and Blood. Since we cannot gather in person, our church allows a person who hungers for Holy Communion to share in its benefits. This is called Spiritual Communion, and it draws us together as the Body of Christ in this world.
Let us pray together a prayer of Spiritual Communion.

***My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present
in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.
I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul.
Since I cannot now 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.*

Concluding Collect

A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit among the People of God.

This prayer was written by Lutheran and Episcopal prayer leaders in light of the COVID pandemic to unite us in common prayer and revive us for common mission, wherever and however we may be gathered.

Presider God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The Blessing

Presider The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

Closing Hymn

How firm a foundation

Hymnal 637 vs. 1,2,3,5



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!
3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,

1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;
5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

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1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

The Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Liturgical Leaders

Presider/Preacher	Rev. Roger Haenke
Readers/Responses	Alice Burnham, Jim McDevitt Cliff Berkowitz
Gospel	Rev. Cathey Dowdle
Prayers of the People	Diane Gustafson
Spiritual Communion	Rev. Cathey Dowdle
Psalmist/Vocalists	Jane Ferguson , Lucy Ferguson
Organist	Cheryl Seppala
Video Production	Cliff Berkowitz

Prayers List

Today and every day include some time for prayer, for yourself,
for your church family, and for those in need.

For our Military

Matt Jensen, Drew Shorkey, Cody Crossland, Cameron Ronie, Chariti Paden, Mark Stanfield,
Sean Robinson, Jonathan Martinez, TK Nguyen, Christopher Lindshield, Timothy Lindshield,
Jeremy Colton, David Sanchez, Jonathan Baldera, Nick Wyatt, Jamal Warner,
Matt Hernandez, Daniel Getreu, Jocelyn Hernandez, Devon Strunk, Taylor Harrold,
Jorge Zuazua, Katherine Milam, Sebastian Morales and Richie Lebron.

For strength in time of need

Scott Hunter, Betty Robertson, Bill Rogers, Barbara Duncan, Dean Peters, Jan Jones,
Rob Fredericks, Austin Stott, George Fielding and Fr. Jack and Sarah Tolley

For the repose of the souls of Rev. Al Stott and Rob McKay.
May light perpetual shine on them.

*(Names are kept on the Prayers List for 4 weeks and should be submitted by Wednesday.
If you wish to add a name, please email Maria Love at: maria@saint-johns.org.)*

We Are Available in Your Time of Need

If you have a pastoral emergency when the parish offices are closed,
please call Rev. Roger at 619-301-0724 or email revroger@saint-johns.org

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St. John's Mission Statement

St. John's is a Christian community that intentionally gathers to experience God's love through Episcopal worship, education, fellowship, and ministry to the wider community.

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