

Welcome to
St. John's Episcopal Church
Chula Vista, CA

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 13, 2021
9:00 am

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



In accordance with our current health guidelines, those attending our worship service in-person are asked to wear a mask, maintain social distance (6 feet), perform hand hygiene, hum hymns softly, and regretfully, no physical touch. If you are joining our service virtually, the music is printed in the worship bulletin for you to sing along.

Lighting of Altar Candles

Prelude

Welcome

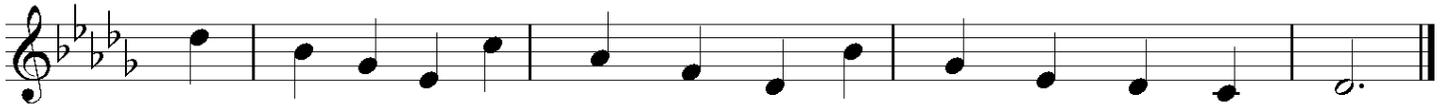
Processional Hymn

Almighty God, Your Word is Cast

Hymnal 589



1 Al - might - y God, your word is cast like seed up - on the ground,
2 Let not our self - ish - ness and hate this ho - ly seed re - move,
3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares the ris - ing plant des - troy,



now let the dew of heaven de - scend and right - eous fruits a - bound.
but give it root in ev - ery heart to bring forth fruits of love.
but let it yield a hun - dred - fold the fruits of peace and joy.

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.***

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

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

Presider Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

The Lessons

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

2 Corinthians 5:6-17

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 92:1-4, 11-14 *Bonum est confiteri*

It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord,
and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;

To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning
and of your faithfulness in the night season;

On the psaltery, and on the lyre,
and to the melody of the harp.

For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord;
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree,
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

Those who are planted in the house of the Lord
shall flourish in the courts of our God;

They shall still bear fruit in old age;
they shall be green and succulent;

That they may show how upright the Lord is,
my Rock, in whom there is no fault.

Gradual *Spirit of the Living God*

The musical score is written on four staves in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. —" (first two staves), "Melt me. Mold me. Fill me. Use me. —" (third staff), and "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me." (fourth staff). The third staff includes a *rit.* marking above the final measure and a *a tempo* marking below the first measure of the fourth staff.

The Gospel

Mark 4:26-34

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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.*

The Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
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

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 Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

Birthday, Anniversary and Traveler Prayers

The Offertory

There is an offering plate available as you enter the church to leave your offering.

You may also give online by using the "Give Now" button on our St. John's website: www.saint-johns.org

Your generous offering helps us to continue the mission and ministry of the parish.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.

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

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends.

He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, [with St. John] and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then is said:

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God

Communion

Spiritual Communion

Ecclesiastes reminds us that there is “nothing new under the sun.” Throughout our history, there have been times the Church has not always been able to gather in person to fulfill our desire to receive Jesus in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. The Church provides for these times through the ancient practice of Spiritual Communion, sustaining us when we cannot physically receive Holy Communion. At this time I invite all who are watching our liturgy online to receive Christ spiritually. Let us pray together:

***Blessed Jesus, I believe that we are fed with the spiritual food of your Body and Blood.
Since I cannot receive You physically today, I now desire to receive you spiritually into
my soul. Unite my heart with those of my community gathered to celebrate the great
meal of thanksgiving and make us all one with you. May this spiritual communion
strengthen my faith and grant me confidence in your loving care now and forever.
Amen.***

Prayer After Communion

Presider Let us pray

People ***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

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 upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

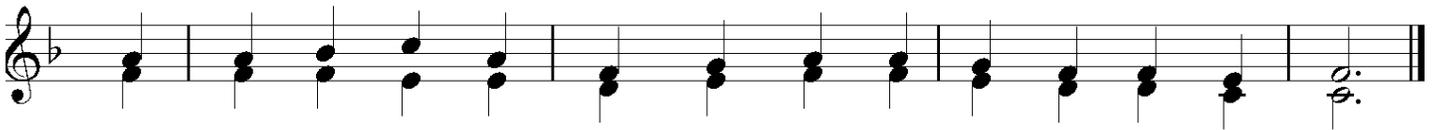
Recessional Hymn

Thy Kingdom Come on Bended Knee

Hymnal 615



1 "Thy king - dom come!" on bend - ed knee the pass - ing a - ges pray;
2 But the slow watch - es of the night not less to God be - long;
3 And lo, al - rea - dy on the hills the flags of dawn ap - pear;
4 the day to whose clear shin - ing light all wrong shall stand re - vealed,
5 when know - ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth a - broad;



1 and faith - ful souls have yearned to see on earth that king - dom's day.
2 and for the ev - er - last - ing right the si - lent stars are strong.
3 gird up your loins, ye pro - phet souls, pro - claim the day is near:
4 when jus - tice shall be throned in might, and ev - ery hurt be healed;
5 the day of per - fect right - eous - ness, the prom - ised day of God.

The Dismissal

Presider Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

Liturgical Leaders

Presider/Preacher	Rev. Roger Haenke
Gospeller/	
Spiritual Communion	Rev. Cathey Dowdle
Reader/Prayers	Diane Gustafson
Psalmist/Vocalist	Jeff Bates
Organist	Cheryl Seppala
Ushers	Linda and David Dennehy
Livestream and Sound	Cliff Berkowitz

Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers are given by the Women of St. John's in honor of Rev. Cathey's ordination and by Barbara Duncan and Cookie Tichonchuk in memory of Darlene Standard.

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.

St. John's Prayer Lists

*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, Richie Lebron and Roberto Johnson.

For Strength in Time of Need

Scott Hunter, Steve Magill, Gary & Shirley McCarren, Ann Lindshield, Carl Oliver and Marguerite Schilpp.

For the repose of the soul of Peggy Trader.

May light perpetual shine on her.

*(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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