

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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We greet you in the Name of the Risen Lord and welcome you to this Holy Place on this Holy Sabbath. We invite you into the silence as you prepare for your worship of Jesus Christ. May you have a blessed experience of worship. Please note that Hymn numbers refer to The Hymnal 1982. Service music (preceded by an S) is located in the front of the hymnal. Page numbers refer to The Book of Common Prayer.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

10:30 A.M.

Prelude: Blessings

Laura Story

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn: Blessed Be Your Name

Matt Redman

Opening Acclamation

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

Collect for Purity (*in unison*)

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day written by Aretta Anderson-Clausell

Lord Almighty God, you are the same yesterday and today and tomorrow fulfilling your promises with patience towards us as you never grow faint or weary. We ask for your continued guidance and clearance of mind as we face challenges so new to us, but not new to others or you. We pray for our strength to rise to a level you deem worthy of every good gift coming down from you through knowing that for you so loved the world, that you gave your only Son. Amen.

The First Lesson A Reading from Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" — that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b

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Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name;*
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him,*
and speak of all his marvelous works.

Glory in his holy Name;*
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

Search for the LORD and his strength;*
continually seek his face.

Remember the marvels he has done,*
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth.

O offspring of Abraham his servant,*

O children of Jacob his chosen.
Then he call for a famine in the land*
and destroyed the supply of bread.
He sent a man before them,*
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.
They bruised his feet in fetters;*
his neck they put in an iron collar.
Until his prediction came to pass,*
the word of the LORD tested him.
The king sent and released him;*
the ruler of the peoples set him free.
He set him as a master over his household,*
as a ruler over all his possessions,
To instruct his princes according to his will*
and to teach his elders wisdom.
Hallelujah!*

The Second Lesson: A Reading from 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!”.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: *Shine Jesus Shine*

Graham Kendrick

The Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

The Deacon 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."

Lector The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon: Jonah Massey, sophomore at Kennesaw State University

The Nicene Creed

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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 written by Marissa Odell and Sam Thompson

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the
Lord, saying "*Lord, hear our prayer.*"

Lord we thank you and pray for the Universal Church, our church home and family here at St. David's, and all that we believe in and stand for as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Lord, hear our prayer

Stand by the leaders of our Nation as they make decisions and represent the people of the United States. Especially President Trump, our Governor Brian Kemp, and all others in positions of authority.

Lord, hear our prayer

Assist us and those we interact with in keeping the welfare of our world in a good place. The health, happiness, and abundance in everyone's lives comes from your love, Lord, so open our eyes to see you in our work, homes, and every day activities.

Lord, hear our prayer

Lift up our confidence for the livelihood, safety, and well-being of the Metro Atlanta area of our state. Restore the thought within us that even if we make a small impact upon one person, it can create a ripple that affects more people than we can imagine.

Lord, hear our prayer

Instill within our St. David's community the knowledge that we are all in this together. No matter where we may be, or how far apart we are, emotionally or physically, this church family will always be here. Help us during this time of Rector transition and remind us that we, the parish, are still the church. It is not necessary to congregate in the physical structure of the church to feel and to spread your unending love.

Lord, hear our prayer

Be with the children of this parish Lord, and invite them into a place of happiness and joy in your arms even as they are missing playing with their friends, going to their various activities, and attending school.

Lord, hear our prayer

We pray for strength for the youth of our church and in our community, especially during this time of longing for in-person schooling, sports, and all the fun events that come with the beginning of the new school year.

Lord, hear our prayer

Please help the parents, Lord, who go through so much to work from home, to keep their children occupied and entertained, and to brave the outside world in order to buy groceries and essentials. We ask that you give them the patience and the inner peace needed to get through these tumultuous times.

Lord, hear our prayer

We pray especially for those suffering and for those in any sort of trouble, including those affected by the COVID-19 virus and their families. We pray that their pain might soon be alleviated, Lord, and that you may soon set their hearts and bodies at ease.

Lord, hear our prayer

We ask that your light shine on the departed, and that those who have died are at peace with life in you.

Lord, hear our prayer

Concluding Collect

Celebrant: 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.*

Confession and Absolution

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The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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 Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and 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

The Celebrant says to the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Recognition for Graduated Acolytes

Patrick Chase

Tyler McVay

Jack Forsten

Luke Nolfa

Sam Goldberg

Matthew Stadter

Kelley Matulevicus

Sam Thompson

Katie McCallum

Mattie Wilson

Blessing for Backpacks and Back-to-School

God, we pray for students and teachers at the beginning of this school year. Give them open minds and hearts to learn and to experience more fully the majesty of the world you have created. When they are nervous, remind them of your love. When they are frustrated give them peace and rest. Enable them to grow in knowledge and wisdom during this school year and all the days of their lives. Bless all these items and those who carry them. In the name of Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Live without fear: your creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with us always. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory: I Believe

Mark Miler

Members of the St. David's Junior/Youth Choir

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer B)

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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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

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.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Saint David, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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 say,

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

Blessing for those participating at home

Gracious God, bless everyone gathered in their homes this morning as they join us by participating in the breaking of the bread and in their prayers.

The Postcommunion Prayer

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Celebrant and 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.

Blessing

Closing Hymn: You Are My All in All

Dennis Jernigan

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
People Thanks be to God!

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