

# The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost



*And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. And all ate and were filled. What was left over was gathered up, twelve baskets of broken pieces.*

September 18, 2022 • 9 am

## **WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!**

Our mission is to be a community of Christian worship, well-being and service. We hope you will experience God's own welcome here and return again and again.

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## NOTES ABOUT WORSHIP AT ST. MARY'S

- If you are our guest today, please complete a welcome card and put it in the offering plate or give it to the greeter or priest. This will give us a chance to learn your name welcome you more personally.
- It is our pleasure to welcome children and their parents at all services. We understand that children's energy and voice is a gift they may share during worship. That is how God made them and we are grateful they are worshiping with us. Feel free to step out and step back in as needed.
- If you have need, restrooms are accessible on both levels of the parish house.
- Text written in **bold** in this bulletin is to be spoken by all. When printed, the ✚ indicates an appropriate time to make the sign of the cross.
- All Christians are invited to the Holy Table to receive communion. If it is difficult for you to walk, please notify a greeter, and we will bring communion to you.  
If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing. If you are interested in Holy Baptism, please speak with our rector, Jennifer. We welcome the opportunity to prepare people of all ages for baptism.
-  We have a hearing loop system to assist with hearing during worship. Please ask a greeter if you would like to use a receiver with headphone, or you may prefer to use your own ear buds. If you have hearing aids with the T-coil function, adjust to that setting.

## Welcome and Announcements

### The Holy Eucharist

*All may stand as you are able for the Opening Song.*

**Opening Song** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

The Hymnal 1982 #390

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -  
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle-wings, safe - ly his  
fend - thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
dore - him! All that hath life and breath come now with

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,  
saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou  
ev - er at - tend - thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. *Hymnal 1940*, alt.

Music: *Lobe den Herren*, melody from *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665;

harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863; desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

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## Opening Acclamation

*Priest*      Blessed be the one, holy, and living God  
*People*      **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

**Song of Praise** Kyrie eleison

Wonder, Love & Praise #840

*Leader* Ky - ri - e

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## Collect of the Day

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

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

*Priest* 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 People may be seated.*

### First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you that trample on the needy,  
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,  
saying, "When will the new moon be over  
so that we may sell grain;

and the sabbath,  
so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,  
and practice deceit with false balances,  
buying the poor for silver  
and the needy for a pair of sandals,  
and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

**Hallelujah!**

Give praise, you servants of the LORD; \*  
praise the Name of the LORD.

Let the Name of the LORD be blessed, \*  
from this time forth for evermore.

From the rising of the sun to its going down \*  
let the Name of the LORD be praised.

The LORD is high above all nations, \*  
and his glory above the heavens.

Who is like the LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high \*  
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

He takes up the weak out of the dust \*  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.

He sets them with the princes, \*  
with the princes of his people.

He makes the woman of a childless house \*  
to be a joyful mother of children.

**Second Reading:** 1 Timothy 2:1-7

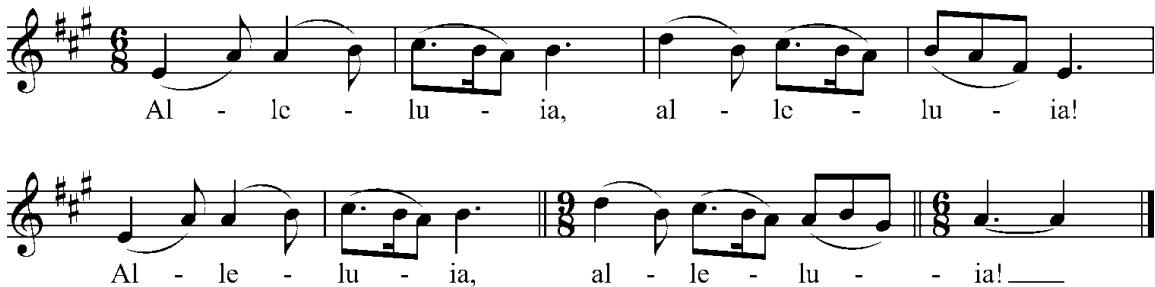
First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all-- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*All may stand for the Alleluia and Holy Gospel.*

**Alleluia** Celtic Alleluia

F. O'Carroll & C. Walker



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**Holy Gospel:** Luke 16:1-13

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by

means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

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

**Sermon**

The Rev. Elizabeth Habecker

*All may stand for the Nicene Creed*

**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

The leader will say, "When we give out of our abundance,"

*Our response will be*  
**There is always more than enough.**

## Confession

*Priest* Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence*

*Priest and People*

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

*The celebrant, stands and says*

*Priest* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## Peace

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*Greet one another with a sign of God's peace.*

## HOLY COMMUNION

**Song at the Offering** Be thou my vision

The Hymnal 1982 #488

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,  
  
 all else be nought to me, save that thou art -  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
 may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!  
  
 thou my best thought,\_\_\_ by day or by night,  
 thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;  
 Heart of my heart,\_\_\_ what - ev - er be - fall,  
  
 wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
 still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931); tr. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), alt. Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody; adapt. *The Church Hymnary*, 1927

*Please stand as the gifts are brought forward.*

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

*Priest*      The Lord be with you.

*People*      **And also with you.**

*Priest*      Lift up your hearts.

*People*      **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Priest*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*      **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues...*

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

**Sanctus and Benedictus** Holy, holy, holy Lord

## Wonder, Love and Praise #857

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow'r and might, heav - en 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.

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*The Celebrant continues...*

*Priest* Therefore, according to his command, O Father  
*People* **We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory.**

*The Celebrant continues...*

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Priest* 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**

*A period of silence is kept.*

**Fraction** Be known to us

Wonder, Love and Praise #875

*Cantor or Choir*

Be known to us,  
The disci-ples knew the Lord Je-sus,  
in the

break-ing of the bread.

Be bread.

The bread which we break, al-le-lu-ia, Is the com-mu-nion of the bod-y of Christ.

Be The disci-ples known to us, Lord Je-sus,  
in the break-ing of the

bread. One bod-y are we, al-le-lu-ia, for though many we share one bread.

Be known to us, Lord The disci-ples knew the Lord Je-sus,  
in the break-ing of the bread.

Je-sus, Je-sus.

*Congregation*

*Cantor or Choir*

*Congregation*

Setting: Gary James (b. 1957) © 1992 Morning Star Publishers©

*Please come forward at the invitation: "The gifts of God for the people of God..."*

**Song at Communion** Eat this Bread

J. Berthier

Refrain



Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and nev-er be hun-gry.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.

Text: John 6; adapt. by Robert J. Batastini, b.1942, and the Taizé Community

Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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**Song at Communion** There is a balm in Gilead

The Hymnal 1982 #676

*Refrain*

There is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to make the wound - ed  
whole, there is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to  
heal the sin - sick soul. [1] [2]

1 Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged, and  
2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you

think my work's in vain, but then the Ho - ly  
can - not pray like Paul, you can tell the love of

Repeat Refrain

Spi - rit re - vives my soul a - gain.  
Je - sus, and say, "He died for all."

Words: Afro-American spiritual Music: *Balm in Gilead*, Afro-American spiritual

## Prayer after Communion

*Priest* Let us pray.

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## Blessing

*Priest* ... The blessing  of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Going Forth

*Priest* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**Closing Song** Love divine, all loves excelling

The Hymnal 1982 #657

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to  
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy  
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,  
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

## **Liturgical Ministers**

### **Altar Guild**

Jennie Nestlerode, Joanne Gracia

### **Celebrant and Preacher**

The Rev. Elizabeth Habecker

### **Musicians**

Jen Bernard, Julie Zecher & The St. Mary's Choir

### **Greeters**

Murry Edwards, Christine Winslow

### **Lector/Intercessor**

Carol Brierley

### **Lay Eucharistic Minister**

Jennie Nestlerode

### **Audio**

David Brierley, Jerry Culver

### **Videographer**

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## Renewal of our Worship Life

As we prepare to return to the historic church, we are rebuilding our worship ministries. If you are interested in learning more about any of these areas where you can help, please contact the person listed next to the ministry. Each of the ministries will offer ample training and support. Any age, stage in life or gender - **all are welcome!**

**Music Ministry** - Playing instruments or singing - [Michael Templeton](#)

**Altar Guild** - Prepares altar & chancel for worship - [Jennie Nestlerode](#)

**Lay Eucharistic Ministers** - Serves at the altar; administers the chalice - [Jennifer Pedrick](#)

**Acolytes** - Lights and extinguishes candles; carries the cross; serves at the table - [Jennifer Pedrick](#)

**Greeters** - Welcomes members and guests; hands out bulletins; oversees and presents offerings; provides hospitality throughout worship - [Murry Edwards](#)

**Lector or Intercessor** - Prepares and reads Holy Scriptures; leads prayers of the people - [Anne Wood](#)

**Audio** - Prepares and puts away the sound system; manages sound checks; actively ensures sound is effective during the service - [David Brierley](#)

**Videographer** - Ensures that our worship service reaches our online participants - [David Cozzens](#)

*(Simple links to all ministry coordinators on the St. Mary's website)*



## A Prayer for the Historic Church Restoration

Shine on our ministry, O God; give us the wisdom and generosity we need to restore the historic church. Help us to remember those who have come before us. May we hear their stories and see their faith. Give us gratitude for your presence in our lives and the St. Mary's community in this season of life. Grant us the resources and the vision to do the work you have given us to do, that we may keep your church open and flourishing for the generations who are to come. Amen.

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