

# The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Holy Eucharist  
September 5, 2021 9:00 am

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

Our mission is to be a community of Christian worship, well-being and service.  
We will be worshipping outside as weather permits.

We hope you will experience God's own welcome in this place and that you  
will return again and again.

### **Notes about outdoor worship at St. Mary's**

We are glad you are here today! All worship is livestreamed on our Facebook page.

Should you require special assistance today, you will see various team members in blue vests who are glad to assist.

- Restrooms are available downstairs in the Parish House.
- Please depart by driving through the churchyard at the back of the property.

For Worship from your car:

- Please turn your radio to 88.7
- Holy Communion will be brought to you. If you are not vaccinated keep a mask on and wait until the minister is 3 feet away before consuming the sacrament.

For Worship on the Lawn:

- A greeter will invite you to come forward for Holy Communion.

For Worship from the Reserved Seating: (For those who need extra care and space.)

- Get on the list and we will save you a seat each week. Contact [srwarden@smcportsmouth.org](mailto:srwarden@smcportsmouth.org). Or you can find someone with a blue vest and they will get you a seat.
- Holy Communion will be brought to you.

For information and announcements please go to our website: [smcportsmouth.org](http://smcportsmouth.org), and read our weekly eNews, which arrives on Saturdays.

# Gathering

## Welcome and Announcements

*All may stand at the ringing of the church bell.*

Processional Hymn: Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Hymnal 1982 #423

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,  
in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;  
most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,  
all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see  
al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.  
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.  
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), alt.

Music: *St. Denio*, Welsh hymn, from *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839; adapt. John Roberts (1822-1877); harm. *The English Hymal*, 1906, alt.

## Opening Acclamation

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

## Song of Praise: Laudate Dominum

WLP 829

Lau - da - te Do - mi - num, Lau - da - te Do - mi - num om - nes

1. 2. *D.C.*

gen - tes, Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Translation: Praise the Lord, all you peoples.*

Words: Psalm 117 Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994) © 1984 Taize, admin. GIA Publications, Inc.

## The Word of God

### Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* God be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* 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:** Isaiah 35:4-7a

Say to those who are of a fearful heart,  
'Be strong, do not fear!  
Here is your God.  
He will come with vengeance,  
with terrible recompense.  
He will come and save you.'  
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;  
then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.  
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;  
the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water;

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

**Psalm 146** *spoken by all*

**Hallelujah!**

**Praise the Lord, O my soul! \***

**I will praise the Lord as long as I live;**

**I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

**Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \***  
**for there is no help in them.**

**When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \***  
**and in that day their thoughts perish.**

**Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \***  
**whose hope is in the Lord their God;**

**Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; \***  
**who keeps his promise for ever;**

**Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, \***  
**and food to those who hunger.**

The Lord sets the prisoners free;  
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; \*  
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;  
The Lord loves the righteous;  
the Lord cares for the stranger; \*  
he sustains the orphan and widow,  
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The Lord shall reign for ever, \*  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.  
Hallelujah!

**Second Reading:** James 2:1-10, 14-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

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| <i>Reader</i> | Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. |
| <i>People</i> | <b>Thanks be to God.</b>                        |

*All may stand for the Gospel Procession*

**Gospel Procession: Alleluia**

Mass of Christ the Savior/D. Schutte



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**Holy Gospel: Mark 7:24-37**

*Gospeller*     The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

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

**Sermon**

The Rev. Meaghan Brower

*All may stand for the Nicene Creed.*

### **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**

*Celebrant* Gathered as the body of Christ, rich in the gifts of God, let us offer prayers for all who hunger and thirst.

*Leader* For Nicholas our bishop and Meaghan our presbyter, for this holy gathering, and for all who share the bread of life.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For the leaders of the nations, and for mercy, justice, and peace in the world.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For farmers and a good harvest, for all in the medical profession, for those who have power and public influence, for travelers and those on vacation, for safety from violent storms and for protection from the Covid - 19 virus for all people.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For all those in danger and need, remembering those we name aloud...

*The people may add their prayers and concerns here.*



...and those who have commended themselves to our prayers, Rene, Diane, Brett, Carrigan, the sick and the suffering, prisoners, captives, and their families, the hungry, homeless, and oppressed.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For the dying and the dead, especially for Sarah Gibbs, our founder

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For ourselves, our families and companions, and all those we love.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* Lifting our voices with all creation, with the Blessed Mother Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

*People* **To you, O Lord.**

*Celebrant* Merciful God of our fathers and mothers, hear our prayers for all in need and fill your hungry people with bread from heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence*

*Celebrant 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*

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**

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

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

Offertory: Gracious Spirit, give your servants

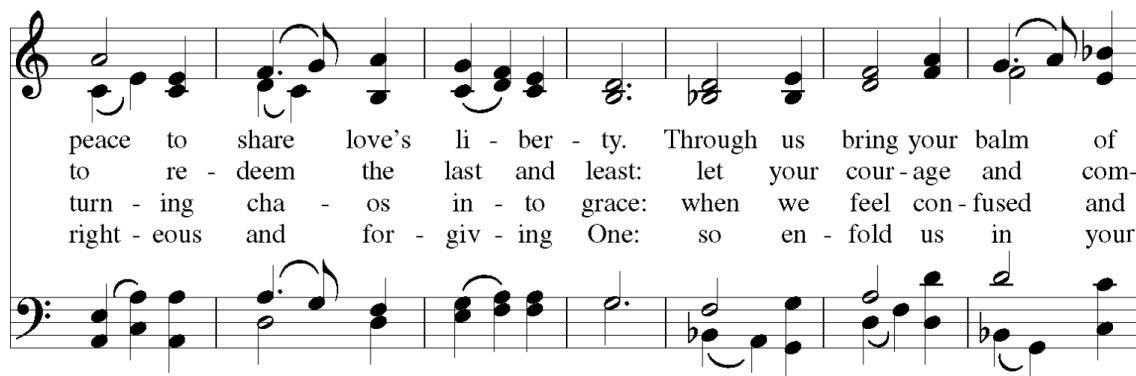
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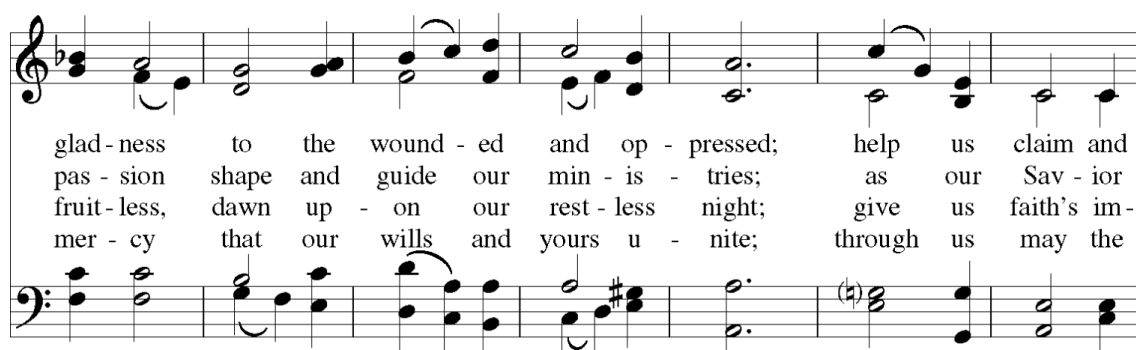
1. Gra - cious Spir - it, give your ser - vants joy to set sin's  
 2. Word made flesh, who gave up glo - ry to be - come our  
 3. Lov - ing God, who birthed cre - a - tion from the noth - ing -  
 4. Tri - une God, e - ter - nal Be - ing, nev - er end - ing,



cap - tives free, hope to heal the bro - ken - heart - ed,  
 great high priest, tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture  
 ness of space, kin - dling life where all was emp - ty,  
 un - be - gun, bound - less grace and per - fect jus - tice,



peace to share love's li - ber - ty. Through us bring your balm of  
 to re - deem the last and least: let your cour - age and com -  
 turn - ing cha - os in - to grace: when we feel con - fused and  
 right - eous and for - giv - ing One: so en - fold us in your



glad - ness to the wound - ed and op - pressed; help us claim and  
 pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries; as our Sav - ior  
 fruit - less, dawn up - on our rest - less night; give us faith's im -  
 mer - cy that our wills and yours u - nite; through us may the



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## The Holy Communion

*The people may stand for the Eucharistic Prayer.*

### Eucharistic Prayer

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| <i>Celebrant</i> | The Lord be with you.                             |
| <i>People</i>    | <b>And also with you.</b>                         |
| <i>Celebrant</i> | Lift up your hearts.                              |
| <i>People</i>    | <b>We lift them to the Lord.</b>                  |
| <i>Celebrant</i> | Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.           |
| <i>People</i>    | <b>It is right to give our thanks and praise.</b> |

*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

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Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and  
earth are full, are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho -  
san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is  
he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

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*The Celebrant continues...*

*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
*People* **Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues...*

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.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* 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:

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The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a repeat sign and contains the melody for 'Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the'. The second staff continues the melody with 'world, have mer-cy on us.' and includes a first ending bracket labeled '1, 2' and a final ending bracket labeled 'Final' leading to 'world, grant us peace.'.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the

world, have mer-cy on us. world, grant us peace.

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Communion Song: Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

Hymnal 1982 #343

The musical score is written for four-part harmony (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are arranged in four parts, with each part having its own line of text. The first system covers the first two lines of the hymn, the second system covers the next two lines, and the third system covers the final two lines. The music features a mix of whole, half, and quarter notes, with some rests and ties. The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic foundation with chords and moving lines.

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen  
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy  
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not  
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the  
word of grace, in strength of which we  
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with  
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.  
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.  
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.  
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

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## Communion Song: Stay with me

WLP #826

Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and  
No - ho pū, no - ho mai me ia'u, ki - a'i a

pray watch and pray.  
pu - le, kiai a pule.

Words: Matthew 26, tr. Malcolm Naea Chun (b. 1954) © Malcolm Naea Chun  
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## Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant* 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.**

## The Blessing and Dismissal

*Celebrant* Christ who has nourished us with himself the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day; and the blessing of God almighty, Creator, redeemer and sustainer be with you today and forever. **Amen.**

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

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

# Closing Song: We are marching in the light of God

WLP #787

We are march - ing in the light of God, we are  
*Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya -*  
*Mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de Dios, Mar - cha -*

march - ing in the light of God, We are march - ing in the  
*hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -*  
*re - mos en la luz de Dios. Mar - cha - re - mos en la*

we are march - ing in the light of God.\_\_\_\_\_  
*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*\_\_\_\_\_  
*mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de Dios.*\_\_\_\_\_  
 light of God, we are march - ing in the light of, the  
*nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen, kha -*  
*luz de Dios mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de, la*

we are march - ing in the light of God.\_\_\_\_\_  
*si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.*\_\_\_\_\_  
*mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de Dios.*\_\_\_\_\_



We are march - ing  
 Si - ya - ham - ba  
 Mar - cha - re - mos

light of God. nyen' kwen - khos'. luz de Dios. We are march - ing, Si - ya - ham - ba, Mar - cha - re - mos march - ing, we are ham - ba, si - ya - re - mos mar - cha -

Oo we are march - ing in the light of God  
 Oo si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'  
 Oo mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de Dios.

march - ing, ham - ba, re - mos march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of, the ham - ba, si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen, kha - re - mos mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de la march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of, God. ham - ba, si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. re - mos mar - cha - re - mos en la luz de Dios.

We are march - ing  
 Si - ya - ham - ba  
 Mar - cha - re - mos

light of God.  
 nyen' kwen-khos'.  
 luz de dios.

We are march - ing,  
 Si - ya - ham - be,  
 Mar - cha - re - mos,

march - ing we are  
 ham - ba, si - ya -  
 re - mos mar - cha -

Oo  
 Oo  
 Oo

march-ing, march-ing, we are march - ing in the light of God.  
 ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - hamb' e - ku-kha-nyen' kwen - khos'.  
 re - mos re - mos mar - cha - re - mos en la luz do Dios.

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