# **Holy Eucharist**



# St. Stephen's in-the-Field Episcopal Church

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We the people of Saint Stephen's in-the-Field seek to know Christ, to share Christ, and to serve Christ, recognizing his presence in all people, and reaching out in love to each other and to the world around us.

#### **WORD OF GOD**

## Opening Hymn:

# Praise to the Living God

H# 372



# **Opening Acclamation**

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

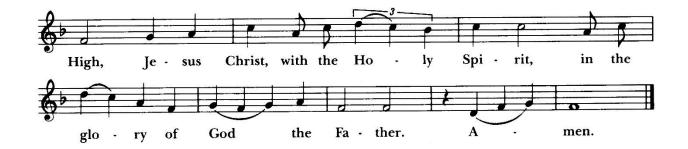
### Collect for Purity

#### All

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.

#### **Gloria**





### Collect of the Day

Celebrant: God be with you.People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God of truth uncovered, you trace the sparrow's flight, and plumb the secret places of the heart: bring our fear and conflict into the light of your presence; help us to lose our hollow life and find our way to you; through Jesus Christ, the master and slave. **Amen.** 

#### The Lessons

First Reading Genesis 21:8-21

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will

make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17

- 1 Bow down your ear, O LORD, and answer me, \* for I am poor and in misery.
- 2 Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; \* save your servant who puts his trust in you.
- 3 Be merciful to me, O LORD, for you are my God; \* I call upon you all the day long.
- 4 Gladden the soul of your servant, \* for to you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
- 5 For you, O LORD, are good and forgiving, \* and great is your love toward all who call upon you.
- 6 Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer, \* and attend to the voice of my supplications.
- 7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, \* for you will answer me.
- 8 Among the gods there is none like you, O LORD, \* nor anything like your works.
- 9 All nations you have made will come and worship you, O LORD, \* and glorify your Name.
- 10 For you are great; you do wondrous things; \* and you alone are God.
- 16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; \* give your strength to your servant; and save the child of your handmaid.
- 17 Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; \* because you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

Second Reading Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

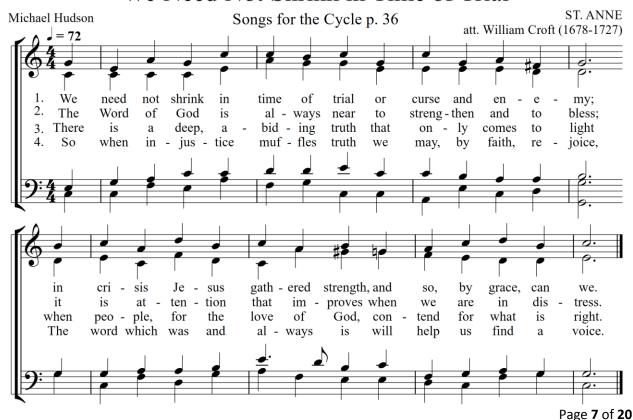
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand

### Gospel Gradual:

### We Need Not Shrink in Time of Trial



Gospel Reading Matthew 10:24-39

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Savior.

All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Karen Cuffie

#### 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who 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

Leader: Children of God, praise the Lord! Our God is faithful and hears our

prayers, so let us pray,

In your great mercy, O God,

**People:** Answer us with your unfailing help.

Leader: To the baptized, O God, grant newness of life. In the diocesan cycle of

prayer we pray for St. John the Baptist of Aptos, and for technology

ministries. Strengthen us to follow in the footsteps of your Son.

Silence

In your great mercy, O God,

**People:** Answer us with your unfailing help.

Leader: To the nations of earth, O God of hosts, grant freedom and peace.

Deliver the lives of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

Silence

In your great mercy, O God,

**People:** Answer us with your unfailing help.

Leader: To your created order, O God, grant your help. May the waters, soil,

and air be made clean and healthy again.

(Please add your thanksgivings either silently or aloud.)

Silence

In your great mercy, O God,

People: Answer us with your unfailing help.

Leader: To this city, O God, grant your deliverance. Set us free from violence

and destruction. Make safe our streets.

Silence

In your great mercy, O God,

**People:** Answer us with your unfailing help.

Leader: To those who feel the deep about to swallow them, O God, grant your

salvation. In your great compassion, turn to all those in need.

(Please add your own petitions either silently or aloud.)

Silence

In your great mercy, O God,

**People:** Answer us with your unfailing help.

Leader: To the dead, O God, grant life eternal with Christ. May all those who

have been baptized into the death of Christ be united with him in his

resurrection.

Silence

In your great mercy, O God,

**People:** Answer us with your unfailing help.

Celebrant: Creator God, you call us to love and serve you with body, mind, and spirit through loving your creation and all people. Open our hearts in compassion and receive these petitions on behalf of the needs of the church and the world.

People: Amen.

### Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor.

(There will be a moment of silence)

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

#### Absolution

*Celebrant:* 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**.

#### The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

and serve only your will. Amen.

**People:** And also with you.

Exchange peace.

#### Announcements

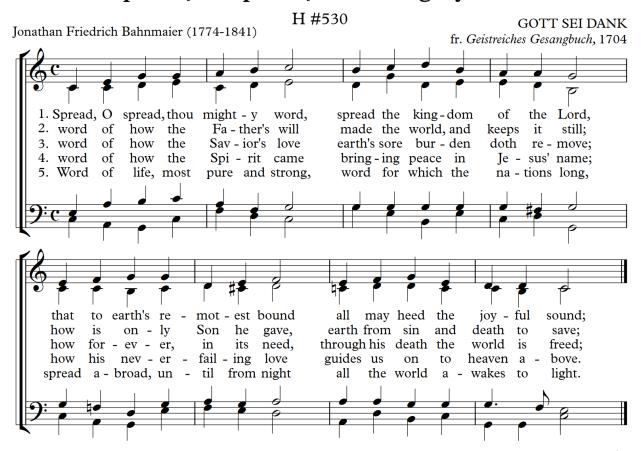
### Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

**Birthday Blessing:** Watch over your birthday *children*, O Lord; as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

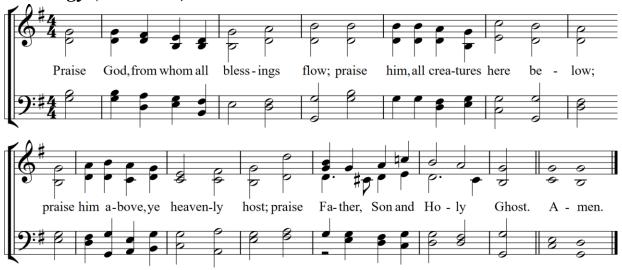
Anniversary Blessing: O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Offertory:

# Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word



### Doxology (Old 100<sup>th</sup>):



#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: 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 our thanks and praise.

#### Celebrant

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 sing:

# Holy, Holy, Holy Lord Sanctus

S130

Setting from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert, arr. Richard Proulx



The Celebrant continues

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 St. Stephen 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.** 

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

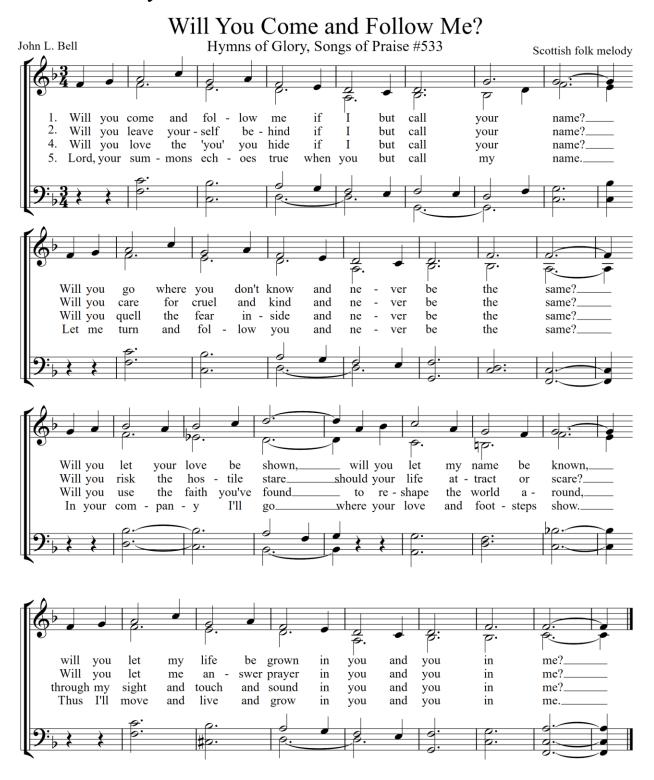
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

### The Breaking of the Bread

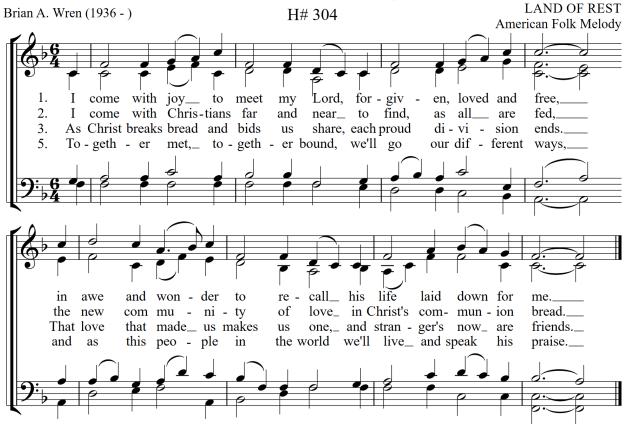
Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia. *Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### Communion Hymns:







### Post Communion Prayer

Please stand

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Compassionate and loving God, through your Son Jesus Christ you have fed us, and reconciled your people to yourself.

May we who have shared in this holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world. Following Christ's example of fasting and prayer, may we obey you with willing hearts and serve one another in holy love. Amen

# **Blessing**

### Mission Song:



#### The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

### Mark your calendar

- Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup> Bishop's Visitation at St. Stephen's, 10am
- Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> Harvest Dinner Fundraiser, 5pm

## **Upcoming Services**

- Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> at St. John's, 10am
- Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at St. Stephen's, 10am
- Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup> at St. John's, 10am
- Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. Stephen's, 10am

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