

Welcome to Saint Mary's Episcopal Church!

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 31st, 2022

PRELUDE

SONG OF PRAISE & PROCESSIONAL

#21 – Loving Creator

Words: D.T. Niles

Music: Halad, Elena G. Maquiso

Please be seated.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Word of God

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT

Priest Alleluia. Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People *Glory to God forever and ever. Alleluia.*

Priest Lord of abundance, you demand our life entire and whole: lead us out from prisoners of greed to a place of riches uncontained and always new; through Jesus Christ, our common wealth. **Amen.**

FIRST MESSAGE Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Lay Leader Let us prepare ourselves to hear the Word of God.

People *Our hearts and minds are open.*

Lay Leader Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Iona Abbey Worship Book & 1979 Book of Common Prayer

Priest Please stand in body or in spirit as we affirm our faith.
People ***We believe that God is present in the darkness before dawn;
in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join hands,
conflict and caring link arms, and the sun rises over barbed wire.
We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst to share our
humanity, a feasting God.
We affirm a faith, that takes us beyond a safe place into action,
into vulnerability, into the streets.
We commit ourselves to work for change and put ourselves on the line;
to bear responsibility, to take risks,
live powerfully and face humiliation;
to stand with those on the edge;
to choose life and be used by the Spirit for God's new community of
Hope. Amen.***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessions for the Christian People, Liturgical Press

Lay Leader Let us raise our prayer to God for the Spirit sent to anoint us, singing:
People ***Alleluia, allelu!
You are making all things new!***

Lay Leader For the spirit of joy in the church, that our Eastertide Alleluias resound
throughout the year, we pray to you, O God.
People ***Alleluia, allelu!
You are making all things new!***

Lay Leader For the spirit of peace in the world, that all peoples, especially nations in
conflict, may live in harmony, we pray to you, O God.
People ***Alleluia, allelu!
You are making all things new!***

Lay Leader For the spirit of justice... that victims of prejudice, exploitation, and oppression
be set free, we pray to you, O God.
People ***Alleluia, allelu!
You are making all things new!***

Lay Leader For the spirit of unity among all people, that our weakness makes us strong
and our differences make us rich, we pray to you, O God.
People ***Alleluia, allelu!
You are making all things new!***

Lay Leader For the spirit of hope in the future, that we and all who have died may drink of
the fruit of the vine in glory, we pray to you, O God.
People ***Alleluia, allelu!
You are making all things new!***

Lay Leader Good and gracious God, send forth your Spirit into our hearts. Wipe away any fear between us. Tear down the walls that divide us, and make us one through Jesus Christ.

People ***Amen, Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen!***

SAINT MARY'S COMMUNITY PRAYERS: CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

*Lay Leader invites people to offer concerns and thanksgivings in person or in chat.
If the podium is inaccessible to you please wave to the Priest and they will bring a mic to you.*

Priest O God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this in the name of Jesus, in whom we live and move and have our being.

People ***Amen.***

Please stand or choose another posture of reverence that is comfortable for your body.

PEACE

Priest The Peace of God be always with you.

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER

People ***God be in my head and in my thinking.
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.
God be in my heart and in my loving.
God be in my hands and in my giving. Amen.***

OFFERTORY

Instrumental

*You are welcome to place your offering in the plate at the entrance to the sanctuary
or make an online offering by pressing the "contribute" button on our website, saintmarysepiscopal.org*

The Holy Communion

*Wherever you find yourself on the Journey of Faith, you are invited to receive communion.
To receive a blessing from the priest, cross your arms over your chest as you stand or kneel.
Please stand or choose another posture of reverence that is comfortable for your body.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer I, *Enriching Our Worship*

Priest God be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People *We lift them to God.*

Priest Let us give thanks to God.

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

Priest It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, Source of life and fountain of kindness. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Christ and knit us into one body.

People *Through your Spirit, you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.*

Priest Therefore, joining with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing,

SANCTUS Hymnal #S-125 – Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Setting from: A Community Mass
Richard Proulx

Priest Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.

People *You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.*

Priest You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

People *But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves.*

Priest We would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

People *Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.*

Priest Through Abraham, Hagar, and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to live the life you called him to, he overcame death, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All ***Christ has died.***
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.

Priest Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of those who've gone before us, that with Mary and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.***

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Priest For those worshiping with us virtually today, let us now say together the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.

All ***Gracious God, you stand at the door of our hearts and knock. You wait for us and we only can let you in. We believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill us with your presence. Nourish us with your body and unite us in your blood, that we may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen.***

LORD'S PRAYER

Priest And now, as Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All ***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
 your kingdom come, your 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 yours 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.

Priest We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
People ***We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.***

Please be seated.

COMMUNION HYMN #20 – There is a Balm in Gilead

Words: William Cowper
Music: Longdon New, mel.
From the Psalmes of David
in Prose and Meeter, harm. John Playford

Please stand or choose another posture of reverence that is comfortable for your body.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

adapted from *Enriching Our Worship*

All ***God of Abundance, You feed us with the bread of life and the cup of
salvation; You unite us with Christ and one another; And You make us
one with all Your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in
the power of Your Spirit, that we may proclaim Your redeeming love to
the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ. Amen.***

BLESSING

CLOSING SONG**#16 – O God of Every Nation**

Words: William Watkins Reid, Jr.

Music: Llangloffan, mel. From

Hymnau a Thomau er Gwasanaeth yr

Egluys yng Nglymru, harm. The English Hymnal

DISMISSAL*The Deacon dismisses the People.***People*****Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*****POSTLUDE**

Instrumental

SOCIAL TIME IN PERSON & ON ZOOM

Join us for good company and tasty treats on the front lawn.

ST. MARY'S SERVING SCHEDULE**Sunday, July 31, 10:00 AM**

Verger	Lay Leader/ Officiant	Usher	Greeter	Reader	AV Tech	Zoom Host
Jennifer Wedel	Steve Andrews	Tom Kellogg	Edie Meissner		Catherine Neuschler	Trevor - Billy Sannes - Lackey

Sunday, August 7, 10:00 AM

Verger	Lay Leader/ Officiant	Usher	Greeter	Reader	AV Tech	Zoom Host
Julie Thomas	Michael Phillips	Jim DeLuca	Rainy Morgan		Fran Roby	Beth Varro

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