

Welcome to Saint Mary's Episcopal Church!

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost—June 20, 2021

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Officiant Blessed be the One Holy and Living God.
People **Glory to God forever and ever.**

Song of Praise

Canto de Esperanza
Saint Mary's Choir

Ester Camac
trans. Brett Hesla & Bill D. Pharris
Edwin Mora G

Opening Collect

Officiant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Officiant Saving God, entering the flood and storm of chaos and confusion: speak peace to our fearful hearts that we might find our faith in him whose word brings rest to all creation; to Jesus Christ, lord of wind and wave. **Amen.**

First Message

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

Officiant Let us prepare ourselves to hear the Word Of God as it comes to use from _____.
People **Our hearts and minds are open.**

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, *
and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim *
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; *
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- 23 Some went down to the sea in ships *
and plied their trade in deep waters;
- 24 They beheld the works of the Lord *
and his wonders in the deep.
- 25 Then he spoke, and a stormy wind arose, *
which tossed high the waves of the sea.
- 26 They mounted up to the heavens and fell back to the depths; *
their hearts melted because of their peril.
- 27 They reeled and staggered like drunkards *
and were at their wits' end.
- 28 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, *
and he delivered them from their distress.

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

Gospel

Mark 4:35-41

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

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

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

Homily

The Reverend Carol Arney

Affirmation of Faith and Baptismal Promises

Officiant Let us 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.**

Officiant And now we join together with members of the worldwide Anglican/Episcopal Communion in translating the beliefs in our hearts into action in our lives, in these baptismal questions.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Officiant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Officiant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Officiant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Officiant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Prayers of the People Form IV

Officiant Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Officiant Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Officiant Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Officiant Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Officiant Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Officiant We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Saint Mary's Community Prayers: Concerns and Thanksgivings

Everyone is invited to offer concerns and thanksgivings.

Collect

Peace

Officiant Peace be 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.**

<Short time of silence>

Lord's Prayer

People **Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your Name.
your kingdom com, 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 your, now and for ever. Amen**

Closing Prayer

Officiant Holy and ever living God, by your power we are created and by your love we are redeemed;
guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may give ourselves to your service, and live
each day in love to one another and to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Blessing

Closing Song

God Is Love
Saint Mary's Choir

Timothy Rees
Abbots Leigh, Cyril Vincent Taylor

Dismissal

Deacon *<Deacon says the words of dismissal.>*
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

SOURCES

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