

Welcome to Saint Mary's Episcopal Church!

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 16, 2022

PRELUDE

SONG OF PRAISE & PROCESSIONAL

#9 – New Every Morning

Words: John Keble

Music: Kedron, mel. Att. Elkanah Kelsay Dare

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 Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST MESSAGE 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

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

People *Our hearts and minds are open.*

Lay Leader As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves

teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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

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

GRADUAL **#14 – Seek Ye First** Words: adapt Karen Lafferty
Music: Karen Lafferty

GOSPEL **Luke 18:1-8**

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

Deacon Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, ‘Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’” And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

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

HOMILY The Reverend Lindsey R. Briggs, Rector

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

Response "Loving God, Hear our prayer, send us out."

Lay Leader *Let us raise our prayer to God for the Spirit sent to anoint us, singing:
Loving God, Hear our prayer, send us out.*

Lay Leader *For the spirit of joy in the church, that our Eastertide Alleluias resound
throughout the year, we pray to you, O God.
Loving God, Hear our prayer, send us out.*

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.
Loving God, Hear our prayer, send us out.*

Lay Leader *For the spirit of justice... that victims of prejudice, exploitation, and oppression
be set free, we pray to you, O God.
Loving God, Hear our prayer, send us out.*

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.
Loving God, Hear our prayer, send us out.*

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.
Loving God, Hear our prayer, send us out.*

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.
Amen, Amen, 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

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

*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.*

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

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.**

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**#5 – Be Thou My Vision**

Words: Irish, ca 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne

Music: Slane, Irish ballad melody

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYERadapted 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 – Go Make a Diff'rence**Words & Music: Steve Angrisano
and Tom Tomaszek**DISMISSAL**

The Deacon dismisses the People.

People

Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE**SOCIAL TIME IN PERSON & ON ZOOM**

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

ST. MARY'S SERVING SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 16, 10:00 AM

Verger	Lay Leader/ Officiant	Usher	Greeter	Acolyte	AV Tech	Zoom Host
Tom Brown	Kim Locke	Fran Roby	Maura Roby		Catherine Neuschler	Byung Matsubara

Sunday, October 23, 10:00 AM

Verger	Lay Leader/ Officiant	Usher	Greeter	Acolyte	AV Tech	Zoom Host
Paulette Briese	Nina Johnson	Craig Hanson	Anne Hanson	Clare E.	Aimee Sutherland	Byung Matsubara

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