

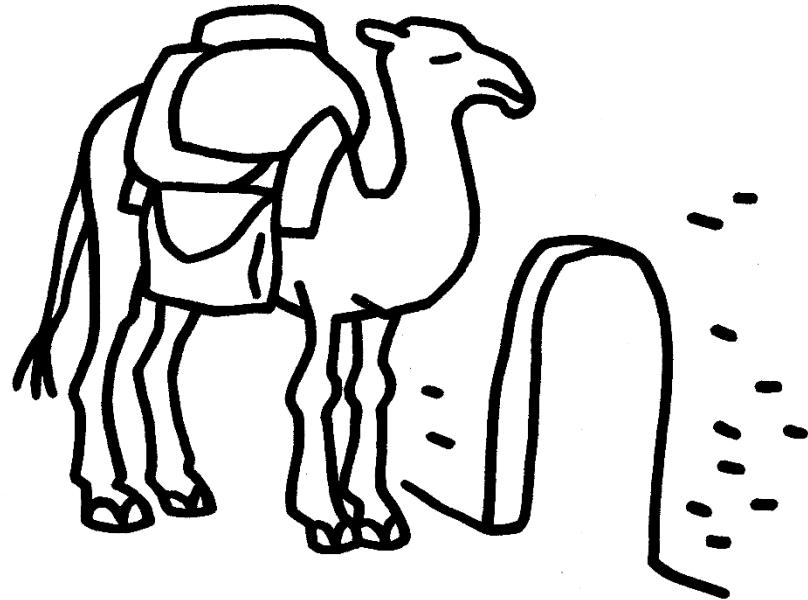


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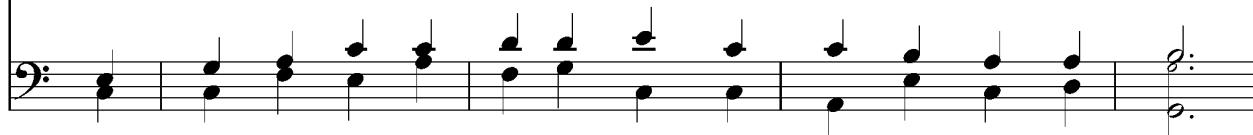
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Proper 23
Holy Eucharist Rite Two
Sunday, October 10, 2021
10:30 AM

PRELUDE*Partita on “St. Anne”***Paul Manz****ENTRANCE HYMN *O God, our help in ages past (St. Anne)* (H 680)**

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou-sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
5 Time, like an ev - er - roll-ing stream, bears all our years a - way;



1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end-less years the same.
4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pening day.



6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last,
and our eternal home.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant may say

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

Glory to God (Canticle 20)

S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Amos.

Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,

and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.
Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.
Therefore because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.
For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.
Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.
Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 90:12-17

Remain seated.

¹²So teach us to number our days, *
 that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

¹³Return, O GOD; how long will you tarry? *
 be gracious to your servants.

¹⁴Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
 so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

¹⁵Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
 and the years in which we suffered adversity.

¹⁶Show your servants your works *
 and your splendor to their children.

¹⁷May the graciousness of our God be upon us; *
 prosper the work of our hands;
 prosper our handiwork.

SECOND READING:

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we

are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN

O for a closer walk with God

H 684

All stand.

1 O for a clos - er walk with God, a calm and heaven - ly frame,
2 Where is the bless - ed - ness I knew when first I saw the Lord?
3 Re - turn, O ho - ly Dove, re - turn, sweet mes - sen - ger of rest;
4 The dear - est i - dol I have known, what - e'er that i - dol be,
5 So shall my walk be close with God, calm and se - rene my frame;

1 a light to shine up - on the road that leads me to the Lamb!
2 Where is the soul - re - fresh - ing view of Je - sus and his word?
3 I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast.
4 help me to tear it from thy throne, and wor - ship on - ly thee.
5 so pur - er light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

GOSPEL: Mark 10:17-31

All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

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

THE SERMON Reverend Benedict Varnum

THE CREED

All stand.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray especially for: Elaine, John & Recia, Jim, Nancy, Pat, Hayden, Amy, JoEy, Sadie, Joey, Evelyn, Bob, Michelle, Jean, Pat & Gerry, Cyndy, Carol, Matt, Dave, Janine, Eric, Jean, Betty, Carol, Sally, Melissa, Julie, Cecily, Tom Michael, Ali, and Massouda & her family. Are there any others who need our prayers?

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

CONFSSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister 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 Priest 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

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays: Gaye Homer, Bill Bridges, Peg Pearson, Bob Reade, Kelly Crichton, Meghan Griffiths, and Jean Lahti

Anniversaries: Stephanie & David Fritson

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Take My Life* **Marie Rubis Bauer**

DOXOLOGY

H 380

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

SURSUM CORDA

The People remain standing.

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

PROPER PREFACE

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

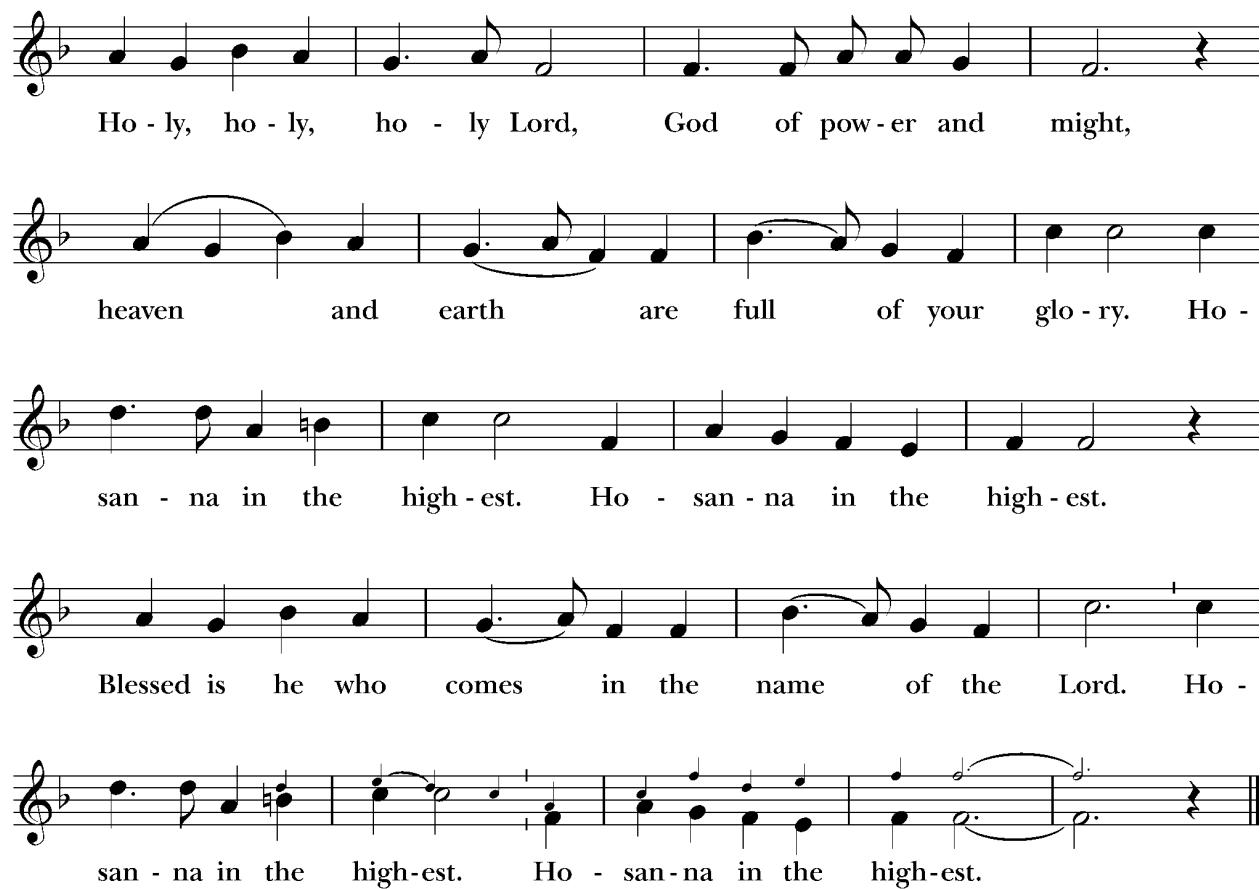
Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS *Holy, holy, holy (Proulx)*

S 125

Celebrant and People



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high-est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

EPICLESIS

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be

acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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,
 forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words
The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life.
[Amen.]

COMMUNION HYMN *Psalm 34 (Taste and See)* Calvin M. Bower

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Antiphon

Calvin M. Bower

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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The musical score continues with three staves: Treble, Bass, and Bass. The Treble staff has a key signature of two sharps (F# major) and a common time signature. The Bass staff has a key signature of one sharp (G major) and a common time signature. The Bass staff is identical to the Treble staff. The score is in common time.

Cantor

I will bless the Lord at **all** times
his praise shall be always in **my**
mouth.
In the Lord shall my soul **be**
praised
let the meek hear and **rejoice.**

Antiphon

Cantor

O magnify the Lord **with** me;
and let us extol his name **together.**
I sought the Lord, and **he** heard me:
and he delivered me from all my
troubles.

Antiphon

Cantor

Come ye to him and be
enlightened:
and you faces shall not be
confounded.
This poor many cried, and the
Lord heard him:
and save him out of all his
troubles.

Antiphon

Cantor

The angel of the Lord shall encamp
round about them **that** fear him:
and shall **deliver** them.
The just cried, and the **Lord** heard
them;
and delivered them out of all their
troubles.

Antiphon

Cantor

The Lord is nigh unto them that are
of a **contrite** heart:
and he will save the humble **of**
spirit.
The Lord will redeem the souls of
his servants:
and none of them that trust in him
shall **offend.**

Antiphon

Cantor

Glory to the Father and to **the** Son;
and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the **beginning;**
is now and will be forever. **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made 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 for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *O Jesus, I have promised* H 655

1 O Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end:
 2 O let me hear thee speak-ing in ac - cents clear and still,
 3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low thee,

be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
 a - bove the storms of pas-sion, the mur - murs of self - will;
 that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;

I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard-ian of my soul.
 O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

David Johnson

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join Us for The St. A's Ministry Fair!

Today for a Ministry Fair after both services. Each ministry will have a table set up with a coffee hour goodie for you to enjoy! Stop by each table, and see where your talents could be put to good use!

We look forward to sharing the wonderful opportunities for service, education and fellowship available at St. Augustine!

Wreath Sales are back!

Place your order today for St. Augustine's Annual Wreath and Garland Sale! Order forms can be found on the table in the Narthex.

October Book Club

In October, the Elaine Randall Book Club will be reading **A Gentleman in Moscow** by Amor Towles. We will meet to discuss on Tuesday, October 26.

Wednesday Noonday Prayer Services with Mark Witte

We are starting a **Wednesday** noonday prayer service lead by Mark Witte, our intern this year, in the sanctuary. Noonday prayer is a great way to pause and gather ourselves in the peace of the Lord's presence in the midst of our busy lives.

The service starts at **noon** and lasts about 20 minutes. It will include a short sit for silent/contemplative prayer. We will use the initial weeks to establish a rhythm, then begin discerning additions such as a coffee hour visit or simple chanting. See you soon!

Celebrating Sally & Carole's Retirement

On **Sunday, November 14**, please join us in celebrating the musical contributions and retirement of Sally Hodges and Carole Seitz. Special music composed in their honor will be included in our **10:30 AM** service with a reception following the service.

Autumn Office Hours and Announcements

Our building is complete and staff are back in the office! Beginning immediately, office hours are **9:00 AM to 1:00 PM Monday – Thursday**.

If you have announcements or other additions to our weekly email newsletter or the bulletins distributed on Sundays, please submit them by **1 PM (close of business) on the MONDAY** of the week you want it to run along with a note detailing how many weeks it should be included. Anything received after Monday are not guaranteed to run that week. Please send announcements to both Jay at Parish@sainta.net **AND** Kate at ministries@sainta.net Thank you!

Don't Forget: Masking Rule

Because so many of the members of our church are under 12 years old and cannot yet get a vaccine, we will temporarily require masks at some church events, including Sunday worship. We are hopeful that this present surge will be brief, or that the vaccines for younger children that are currently in development will be approved soon and assist in shutting down this new surge of the delta variant. It is incredibly important to create as safe a place as possible for families to build up a church habit again after the disruptions of the past year.

Key points:

- To protect kids at church, Masks will be required, even for vaccinated persons, at Sunday worship and Sunday school.
- Masks will be optional for vaccinated people at Coffee Hour (please wear a mask until you get to the tables), and children will be able to take a Coffee Hour treat to the Sunday School classrooms to eat, with masks required while not eating
- Adult ministries will be able to make a decision as a group whether they wish to wear masks or use the rule that vaccinated people can choose whether to wear one or not
- We will be steadily watching the virus rates and other major factors, especially children vaccine development and rollout, so as to review this regularly

Please keep our communities, our healthcare providers, and our church in your prayers as we continue to fight this virus.

Canterbury Choir Returns!

The Canterbury Choir has begun rehearsals for the year! Please know that you are welcome to join us! Rehearsals are **Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m.** until 7:00 p.m. in the church. All singers are welcome! If you are uncertain if choir is a good fit for you, please come for a few rehearsals.

The Canterbury Choir will warm up at **10:00 a.m. Sunday** and sing at the 10:30 worship service. Those who cannot attend Wednesday rehearsal may meet with Jeff at 9:30 a.m. to review the music for that morning.

Annual Council – Balancing the Scales Event

Saturday, October 23rd, 1:00-2:00, gathering at Cornhusker Conference Center, Lincoln

The diocesan Balancing the Scales task force is inviting all those attending Annual Council, as well as anyone interested, to attend an event in support of helping returning citizens. Currently, those who have completed a sentence have to wait an additional two years before their full voting rights are restored, which represents a secondary punishment and leads to a sense of exclusion, rather than returning and participating fully in society again. Those interested can meet at the conclusion of Annual Council and walk together to the event, which will offer talks about the topic and a chance to be present to support those returning to society.

Special Collection in OCTOBER

This month we will have a special collection to benefit **Magdalene**

Omaha/Friends of Tamar. Magdalene Omaha delivers hope, healing and economic self-empowerment to survivors of sex trafficking and addiction of all gender identities and at all points along their healing journey. Friends of Tamar is a community of healing serving survivors of domestic/sexual violence as they build new lives.

High School Youth Outreach!

On Saturday, November 13, our High School Youth will be meeting here at church at 8:30 am to head to the Incarnation Monastery. We will be volunteering with other Omaha area youth at the food pantry from 9:30-noon. After that, we will head to Fontenelle Forest for a sack lunch, a walk on the trails and some prayer time. We will be back at St. Augustine for

parent pick up at 4:00 PM. Please let [Kate ministries@sainta.net](mailto:ministries@sainta.net) know if your child(ren)can make it!

Adopt-A-College-Student

St. Augustine's is starting back up a program to support our current college students. Please contact Kate (ministries@sainta.net) to sign up a college student for the Adopt A Collage Student program

They will be matched with a Canterbury Village member who will send, at minimum, a birthday card, a Christmas card, and two care packages throughout the year.

Current college students may sign themselves up as well!

Stewardship Season

Each October, our parish takes a time to reflect on the stewardship of our gifts, and what we will pledge to our church community. We have a tradition of reviewing our time, talent, and treasure, with brief speakers each week commenting on their "T." We will be mailing a letter with longer instructions and a pledge card (with copies available at church as well), and there will be a special invitation at our worship services on **October 24th** to bring completed pledge cards forward to be placed on the altar as a sign of the contributions we make to form and support our parish from our pledged time, talent, and treasure. A stewardship luncheon will follow the 10:30 service on October 24th as a chance for us to come together and celebrate!

Pledges of Time and Talent are shared with many ministry leaders who might reach out to invite someone to volunteer; pledges of financial giving (Treasure) are kept confidential to the parish administrator, parish treasurer, and rector.

Time Sunday – October 3rd

Talent Sunday (and Ministry Fair!) – October 10th

Treasure Sunday – October 17th

Ingathering and Celebration Lunch – October 24th

Questions? Please contact our office at 402-378-5690, Fr Ben at rector@sainta.net, or Maggie Wellman, parish treasurer, at mwellman1@cox.net

Light Up the Night for Magdalene Omaha

Join Magdalene Omaha on **Friday, October 29 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM** to celebrate our five-year anniversary at our first annual fundraising event! This happy hour evening event will feature complimentary hors d'oeuvres, beer/wine, and a signature mocktail. There will be information stations to learn about all of Magdalene Omaha's programs and you can browse and shop items from their workforce development program. *Thistle Lights* offers products designed and handmade with love by the survivors, and *Voila! Magdalene Blooms*, our award-winning floral and home décor shop, offers additional job training skills. We warmly welcome you to learn about and support the work of our organization.

At Magdalene Omaha, we deliver hope, healing, and economic self-empowerment to survivors of sex trafficking, prostitution, and addiction. We believe everyone deserves the chance for a new beginning. We love and support survivors at all points on their healing journeys, offering residential and non-residential services, addiction recovery, workforce development, and other learning opportunities in a peer support community. We look forward to seeing you on Friday, October 29th!

Tickets available: <https://www.magdaleneomaha.org/events>

Save the Date: The Feast of All Chilis!

Cook and compete, or just come eat at the up-coming Chili Cook Off! We need contestants! Let Kate (ministries@sainta.net) know if you, individually or as a team, would like to sign up for the event which will be held on **November 7th at 5:00 pm**. Themes and costumes are an added bit of FUN, but not required! Don't want to sign up but want to enjoy in fellowship? We need you too! Desserts and Drinks will be provided by the Parish Life Committee!

Acolyte Training Update

As we adjust our schedule with some new fall events, the acolyte training on November 14th is being removed. Parents with youth in grades 3-12 who would like to serve as acolytes during worship can contact Fr Ben (rector@sainta.net) about scheduling a training, which will take about 30 minutes and can be held on a Sunday or during the week.

Nursery Seeks Gently Used Toys

The nursery is looking for a couple of donations, if you have these things and were planning to give them away, please contact Kate. We may have more requests as we get the nursery situated. Thank you!!

We're especially looking for a small slide, doll house, trains, & nesting blocks.

Thanks Armitage Family for the sweet new wooden play kitchen and the anonymous donor of the cool new building equipment!!

Welcome New Daughters of the King

The Naomi and Ruth Chapter of the Order of the Daughters of the King welcomed five new members on Sunday, September 19, 2021. Fr. Ben Varnum led the candidates through their vows, and Bishop J. Scott Barker blessed their crosses and gave the final blessing. We welcome (as pictured from L to R) Mary Jane Smith, Donna Sattem, Kathy Lake, Patty Kimme, and Erin Rhian.

"Members of the The Order of the Daughters of the King are women and girls...who desire a closer walk with the Lord. We are Christian women, both lay and ordained, who are strengthened through the discipline of a Rule of Life, and supported through the companionship of our sisters. We are all at different stages of our Christion journey - some have just begun and some have been on the path for a long time. But no matter where we are on our sacred journeys, our primary goal is the same - to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known to others." A blessed welcome to our new sisters!!

Seeking Food Pantry Volunteers

St. Benedict's Pantry, The Benedictine Way's feeding ministry in North Omaha is looking for volunteers to help on Saturday mornings 9:30 am-12:00 pm at the Incarnation Monastery at 3020 Belvedere Blvd. Right now with the rotation of volunteers, your help would be needed about once per month. Watch their video to learn more about what has been going on at St. Benedict's Pantry. <https://fb.watch/8tDJkp3ojq/> This ministry would not be possible without volunteers, and we would love to have more of our parishioners help out if possible! Please contact Gage Woodyard gage_woodyard@yahoo.com Director of St. Benedict's Ministries if you would like to begin volunteering.

COPE News

The Christian Outreach Program-Elkhorn (COPE) has leased a space in Olde Downtown Elkhorn at 20621 Elkhorn Drive. Once remodeled, the new space will enable us to provide expanded services to the families we serve right here in western Douglas County. In addition to food, we will again offer rent and utility assistance, clothing, household items, and furniture. We also plan to use the additional space for future training and classes for COPE families. This is an exciting opportunity for COPE; To continue our mission, **we need your support!** If you would like information on how you can provide financial support, or if you have any questions about COPE, please contact your church's COPE representative, Julie Pendegraft at 402-630-0180 (text preferred) or Jim Tomanek at 402-669-1019.

Vestry Notes – October

- Bishop Barker and Canon Liz joined us for part of our Vestry meeting this month and received an update on our capital campaign progress, including our use of the diocesan Revolving Loan Fund as part of our financing structure. Bishop Barker reported that the small interest that will generate over the term is helping with diocesan budget programs.
- The Vestry approved a plan to fund a freezer unit to be added to the new parish kitchen, using funds that include a private donation and budget space from both parish life and kitchen expenses
- Our Vestry formally gave its final approval for ordination to the diaconate for Rebecca Smith. Rebecca will meet with several diocesan committees to finalize her formation and approvals in the coming months.
- The Vestry noted that we have had many visitors to the parish, and we are encouraging everyone to be aware and welcoming of visitors and new people as many in our community return to worship or find their way here as a new possible church home

Save the Dates for Summer/Fall Fun

Friday, October 21st-23rd – Annual Council

Saturday, October 23rd – Balancing the Scales Event (Lincoln)

Sunday, October 24th – Stewardship Season celebration

Wednesday, October 27th – Boo Bash Halloween Party

Friday, October 29th – Light Up the Night for Magdalene Omaha

Sunday, November 7th – Chili Cook-off Evening Event

Ministers of the Day	This Week 10/10/2021	Next Week, 10/17/2021
Musicians 8:30am:	Don Hoes, Ruth Tomlinson, Ali Threlkeld, Joe Threlkeld, Rhonda Vest, Erin Rhian	Don Hoes, Ruth Tomlinson, Ali Threlkeld, Joe Threlkeld, Rhonda Vest, Erin Rhian
Musicians 10:30am:	Jeff Hoffman, Canterbury Choir	Jeff Hoffman, Canterbury Choir
Celebrant:	Rev. Ben Varnum	Rev. Ben Varnum
Deacon:	David Holmquist	David Holmquist
Liturgical Shepherd:	Pam Wright	Jim Lewis
Chalice:	N/A	N/A
Acolytes 8:30am:	N/A	N/A
Acolytes 10:30am:	Frankie Kreifels, Ruth Kreifels	Jacob Messineo, Sophia Messineo
10:30 am Greeter:	N/A	N/A
8:30 am Lector:	Judy Tomanek	Jim Lewis
10:30 am Lector:	Jean Lahti	Carole Seitz
Altar Guild 8:30 am:	Angie Gallegos	Angie Gallegos
Altar Guild 10:30 am:	Angie Gallegos	Angie Gallegos
Sunday School	9:40 – 10:20 AM	9:40 – 10:20 AM
Coffee Hour	Carol & Jack Ott	Leslie & Todd Stubbendieck