



ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE HOLY EUCHARIST • THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

8:00 A.M.

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WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S!

Whatever your religious background, wherever you are in your faith journey, and however you have come to be here, we are glad you have joined for worship today. We hope you will experience God's presence among this community, people, place, and prayers.

Children's worship bags are available from an usher to use during the service. Please use our "Welcome" and "Prayer Request" cards located in the pews, or scan the QR code to complete our Connect card as a way to connect beyond your visit today. Return your completed card to an usher, clergy person, or place it in the offering plate.



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Celebrations & Thanksgivings • September 17-23

Birthdays

Sophia Randall, Marion Spurlock, Clarice Link, Abigail Paxton, Alexandra Paxton,
Doreen Slaughter, Dan Breeding

Anniversaries

Michael Broddle & Peggy Hobler, Chris Korbuly & Eileen Ellis, David & Doreen Slaughter,
Stephanie Carpenter & Alexa Paredes, Fred & Jo Bagley, Virginia Haizlip & Rick Melrose

Flowers are given to the glory of God.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE WELCOME

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

People responses are in bold.

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

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

THE COLLECT OF PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards all. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the readings and the psalm.

THE FIRST READING

EXODUS 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

PSALM 114

The psalm is read responsively by whole verse.

- 1 Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, *
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
- 2 **Judah became God's sanctuary *
and Israel his dominion.**
- 3 The sea beheld it and fled; *
Jordan turned and went back.
- 4 **The mountains skipped like rams, *
and the little hills like young sheep.**
- 5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *
O Jordan, that you turned back?
- 6 **You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
you little hills like young sheep?**
- 7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the God of Jacob,
- 8 **Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.**

THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 18:21-35

The people stand and turn to face the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment

to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Sermon is followed by a moment of silence.

"Do I **HAVE** To?"

The Rev. Winston W. Welty

THE NICENE CREED

The people stand as they are able.

**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 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
The Reader and People pray responsively

PLANNING FOR RITES AND RITUALS

Each of us is finally accountable to God. So let us pray, saying, “Lord, we are in need your mercy; have patience with us.”

Lord, we acknowledge that we all sin against our brothers and sisters in Christ. Forgive us even as we forgive each other. Help us to be merciful to each other in the Church. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

Have patience with us.

Lord, we acknowledge that we desire to repay violence with violence. Open our hearts to forgive even those who commit evil acts towards us and those we love. Help us to live mercifully in our world. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

Have patience with us.

Lord, we acknowledge we do not always appreciate the diversity of your creation. Teach us to live in peace with each other and with your creation. Help us to live mercifully with our world. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

Have patience with us.

Lord, we acknowledge that we do not love our neighbors as you love us. Forgive us for placing ourselves as judge over others when judgment belongs to you alone. Help us to accept the great mercy you choose to show others. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

Have patience with us.

Lord, we pray for those whose lives are broken by evil. Because of your mercy we believe that whatever befalls them, they belong to you; you care for the brokenhearted. Help us to share your love with all those who are hurting. We pray especially for Jamie, Bruce & Jean, Gerald, Nancy, Barry, Rich, Sue, Eleanor, Katherine, Nora, Kathy, Sid, John, Jade, Mary, Robin, Liz, Bob, Judy, Marianna, Kendall, Trish and Michael, our presiding Bishop. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

Have patience with us.

Lord, we remember those who died in violence. We remember those men and women of the armed forces, innocent bystanders, first responder, and even those we have called enemies. The dead belong to you, O Lord. Even as we seek your mercy for ourselves, judge all those who have died with mercy. We pray especially for Nancy Jewell, a former member of St. Anne's who died last week, and for Carlos Orellana, who died this week. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

Have patience with us.

THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

All are invited to share a sign of peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God.

We invite you to give generously to support the mission and ministry of St. Anne's. You can scan the QR code, text-to-give at 703-997-4436, or go to our website at stannes-reston.org.



THE PRESENTATION

As the offering is brought forward the following is said:

All things come of thee, O Lord.
And of thine own have we given thee.

At this celebration of the Lord's Supper, all are welcome at the table. Bread and wine are blessed and broken and shared in remembrance of Christ Jesus our Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PRAYER II

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

The Celebrant says a Proper Preface, and then continues

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

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

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome. To receive communion, please process down the center aisle. Hold your palm out flat with two hands if you wish to receive bread dipped in wine by the clergy, and one palm out if you wish bread only. Please let the clergy know if you would like gluten-free wafers. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Celebrants • *The Rev. Jessica T. Holthus, The Rev. Winston W. Welty*

Deacon • *The Rev. Dr. Nancy D. Searby*

Crucifer • *Christine Skitol*

Lay Reader • *Pam Russ*

Chalice Bearers • *Mary Szpanka, Emily Besuden*

Altar Guild • *Emily Besuden, Sidney Johnson*

Flower Guild • *Suzi Jones, Mary Weinhold*