

Saint John's Episcopal Church—Gloucester, Massachusetts

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9 am — September 6, 2015



WELCOME

Everything you need is included in this leaflet, except for the hymns which are found in the blue **Hymnal 1982** in the pew racks or at the ends of the front pews, or the green paper bound supplement **Wonder, Love and Praise** at the ends of the pews. There is more welcome information in the announcement sheet.

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But the LORD is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him *Habakkuk 2:20*
 Voluntary *Andante Religioso* from Sonata IV in Bb Opus 65 Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

At the procession: **Hymn 414**

Stuttgart

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

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

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

Gloria in excelsis: The Sewanee Service

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)



Intro: ■ Glo-ry to God, in the high-est and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav'n-ly King. Al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, We wor - ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world, have



mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord. 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, A - men.

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Celebrant The Lord be with you

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. —silence—the Collect of the day—**Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

First Reading

Response after the Reading: Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 35:4-7a

A period of silent prayer follows the reading

Psalm 146 BCP p. 803

Sung antiphonally between Cantor and people.

Lauda, anima mea



Cantor: 1 **Hallelujah!** Praise the LORD, / O my soul! *—*pause*—

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I \ have my being.

People: 2 **Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any / child of earth, ***—*pause*—

for there \ is no help in them.

Cantor: 3 When they breathe their last, they re- / turn to earth, *—*pause*—

and in that day \ their thoughts perish.

People: 4 **Happy are they who have the God of Jacob / for their help! ***—*pause*—

whose hope is in \ the LORD their God;

Cantor: 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is / in them; *—*pause*—

who keeps his \ promise for ever;

People: 6 **Who gives justice to those who / are oppressed, ***—*pause*—

and food to \ those who hunger.

Cantor: 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes / of the blind; *—*pause*—

the LORD lifts up \ those who are bowed down;

People: 8 **The LORD loves the / righteous; ***—*pause*—

the LORD cares \ for the stranger;

Cantor: he sustains the orphan and / widow, *—*pause*—

but frustrates the way \ of the wicked.

People: 9 **The LORD shall reign for / ever, ***—*pause*—

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. \ Hallelujah!

Second Reading

Response after the Reading: Thanks be to God.

James 2:1-17

A period of silent prayer follows the reading

Please stand for the Gospel hymn. Please turn to face the book of the Gospels for the reading.

Gospel Hymn 567

St. Matthew

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to heal and save;
 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear-ing, strength, and sight;
 Be thou our great de-liv-er-er still, thou Lord of life and death;
 it tri-umphed o'er dis-ease and death, o'er dark-ness and the grave.
 and youth re-newed and fren-zy calmed owned thee, the Lord of light:
 re-store and quick-en, soothe and bless, with thine al-might-y breath:
 To thee they went, the blind, the dumb, the pal-sied, and the lame,
 and now, O Lord, be near to bless, al-might-y as of yore,
 to hands that work and eyes that see, give wis-dom's heav-enly lore,
 the lep-er set a-part and shunned, the sick with fe-vered frame.
 in crowd-ed street, by rest-less couch, as by Gen-nes-aret's shore.
 that whole and sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev-er-more.

Words: Edward Hays Plumptre (1821-1891), alt.
 Music: from Brady and Tate, 1708 Hymn 567

Holy Gospel

Acclamation before the Gospel: **Glory to you, Lord Christ***Acclamation after the Gospel:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Mark 7:24-37

Homily

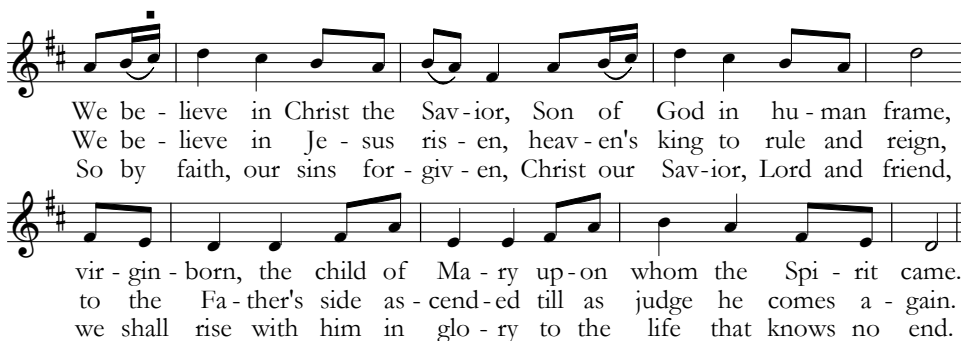
The Rev. Bret Bowie Hays, Rector

*A period of silence follows the Homily.**Then we stand and sing a metrical setting of the Nicene Creed:*

A metrical setting of the Nicene Creed

Nettleton

We be-lieve in God the Fa-ther, God al-migh-ty, by whose plan
 Christ, who on the cross for-sak-en, like a lamb to slaugh-ter led,
 We be-lieve in God the Spi-rit; in one Church, be-low, a-bove:
 earth and heav-en sprang to be-ing, all cre-at-ed things be-gan.
 suf-ered un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, he de-scend-ed to the dead.
 saints of God in one com-mu-nion, one in ho-li-ness and love.



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Prayers of the People

Adapted from Prayers of the People Form II BCP p. 385

Please offer your prayers after each petition, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops Alan and Gayle; for St. John's Church; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

I ask your prayers for the departed especially those we name silently or aloud. Pray for those who have died.

I ask your prayers and thanksgivings for all other causes that you wish to offer to God.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored, especially the Ever-blessed Virgin Mary, Saint John, apostle and evangelist, and all the saints. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept.*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
 in your compassion forgive us our sins,
 known and unknown,
 things done and left undone;
 and so uphold us by your Spirit
 that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
 to the honor and glory of your Name;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

The Peace is then exchanged

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet each other in the name of Christ.

At the Offertory: **Hymn 556**

Marion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, Book of Common Prayer p. 361

Celebrant: *People:*

The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

Celebrant: *People:*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People:

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. —*here the proper preface is sung*— 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: The Sewanee Service

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

Introduction Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the name of the Lord.

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

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At the acclamation in the eucharistic prayer:

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

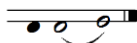
Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

At the conclusion of the eucharistic prayer

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.



A-men.

The Lord's Prayer S148 Ambrosian Chant

arr. Mason Martens

Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your name, your King-dom come, your will be done,
on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins, as we for-give those
who sin a- gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al, and de-liv-er us from e-vil.
For the king-dom, the power and the glo-ry are yours. Now and for ev-er. A-men

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The Bread is broken and we sing:

Agnus Dei: The Sewanee Service

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world; have mer-cy up - on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world; have mer-cy up - on us.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world; grant us your peace.

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RECEIVING COMMUNION: The altar in our church belongs to God. All are welcome and encouraged to come forward during the distribution of Holy Communion.

To receive communion, stand or kneel at the rail, stand against the plaster wall inside the rail, or notify an usher that you need to have communion brought to you at your seat. After you receive communion at (or inside) the rail, please remain in place until the chalcist says "Go in peace." The response after receiving each kind (bread and wine) is "Amen," or you may remain silent. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of communion, please cross your arms over your chest before the Bread comes by.

We do not practice "intinction," that is, dipping bread in wine. If you do not wish to drink from the chalice, please cross your arms over your chest so the chalcist knows this. Receiving the Sacrament in either kind alone constitutes a full and valid Communion.

Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask the person distributing the Bread.

Saint John's is committed to achieving the full inclusion of all people in Christ's Body, the Church. Please feel free to ask the rector if you have any questions.

Please join in singing the Communion music overleaf:

Communion Hymn 641 alt.

Southwell

Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin;
 Lord Je - sus, think on me, with care and woe op - pressed;
 Lord Je - sus, think on me, nor let me go a - stray;
 Lord Je - sus, think on me, that, when the flood is passed,
 from harm - ful pas - sions set me free, and make me pure with - in.
 let me thy lov - ing ser - vant be, and taste thy pro - mised rest.
 through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty point thou the heav'n - ly way.
 I may the'e - ter - nal bright - ness see, and share thy joy at last.

Words: Synesius of Cyrene (375-414?) tr. Allen William Chatfield (1808-1896)
 Music: from Daman's Psalter, 1579

Communion Hymn 694

Lylington

After all have received, a period of silence and reflection precedes the Post-Communion rite.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
 you have graciously accepted us as living members
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
 and you have fed us with spiritual food
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
 Send us now into the world in peace,
 and grant us strength and courage
 to love and serve you
 with gladness and singleness of heart;
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant

The Lord be with you

People

And also with you.

The Priest blesses the people. The people say: **Amen.**

At the procession: **Hymn 334**

Alles ist an Gottes Segen

Dismissal: *response:* **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary

Fugue in g minor

Johann Adam Reinken (1623-1722)

If you leave during the Music, please do so quietly so as not to disturb those who remain to listen.