



HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO

The Church of St. John the Divine
9:00 am and 11:15 am — July 27, 2025

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The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 12 — Year C

PRELUDE Master Tallis's Testament

Herbert Howells 1892-1983

THE WORD OF GOD

Congregation stands.

HYMN 410



1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;
3 Fa - ther-like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him face to face;



ran-somed, healed, re - stored for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing:
praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
in his hand he gent - ly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes.
sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847); Music: *Lauda anima*, John Goss (1800-1880).

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 355

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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. *Amen.*

THE GLORIA S-280

Robert Powell

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and
peace__ to his peo-ple on earth. 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.
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.

Title: Canticle 20, Glory to God: *Gloria in excelsis*; Music: Robert Powell (1932-2025). rev.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS *Congregation sits.*

The Epistle

Colossians 2:6-15

⁶Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, ¹²having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

- ¹ You have been gracious to your land, O LORD,
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
- ² *You have forgiven the iniquity of your people
and blotted out all their sins.*
- ³ You have withdrawn all your fury
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.
- ⁴ *Restore us then, O God our Savior;
let your anger depart from us.*
- ⁵ Will you be displeased with us for ever?
will you prolong your anger from age to age?
- ⁶ *Will you not give us life again,
that your people may rejoice in you?*
- ⁷ Show us your mercy, O LORD,
and grant us your salvation.
- ⁸ *I will listen to what the LORD God is saying,
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.*
- ⁹ Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- ¹⁰ *Mercy and truth have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.*
- ¹¹ Truth shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- ¹² *The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.*
- ¹³ Righteousness shall go before him,
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

Hymn 709 Congregation stands.



1 O God of Beth - el, by whose hand thy peo - ple still are fed;
2 Our vows, our prayers, we now pre - sent be - fore thy throne of grace:
3 Through each per - plex - ing path of life our wan-dering foot - steps guide;
4 O spread thy shel-tering wings a - round, till all our wan-derings cease,
5 Such bless-ings from thy gra - cious hand our hum - ble prayers im - plore;

who through this earth - ly pil - grim - age hast all thine Is - rael led:
O God of Is - rael, be the God of this suc-ceed-ing race.
give us each day our dai - ly bread, and rai - ment fit pro - vide.
and at our Fa - ther's loved a - bode our souls ar - rive in peace!
and thou shalt be our cov-enant God and por - tion ev - er - more.

Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt. Music: Dundee, melody from *The CL Psalmes of David*, 1615.

The Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

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

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

¹Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” ²And he said to them, “When you pray, say:

“Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread,

⁴ and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation.”

⁵And he said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; ⁷and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything’? ⁸I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. ⁹And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and

the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. ¹¹What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; ¹²or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. R. Leigh Spruill

THE NICENE CREED *Congregation stands.*

BCP 358

*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 *Form VI revised*

BCP 392

Celebrant: Let us pray for the church and for the world.

Congregation kneels.

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world, especially our ministry partners at Archway Academy;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader: For Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector, and Brian, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For Meredith, John, Sally, Carolyn, Lisa, Bruce, Mary, Karen, Cynthia, Madeleine, JB, Scott, Gray, Neva, Deedie, , Zoe, Beverly, Bruce, Mike, and Janet.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially the births of Baker Bonds Raffety and Ophelia Pate Orellana.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: *And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

Leader: We pray for all who have died, especially Laura Spalding, Marilyn Wilhelm, and Adita “Deedie” Root, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: *Who put their trust in you.*

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP 360

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All: *Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your 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.*

Celebrant: 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.*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Church of St. John the Divine is sending \$10,000 in disaster relief funds to support those affected by the July 4th flooding. This contribution will be sent to the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas, where the worst flooding occurred. As we continue to pray, the offerings today will be dedicated to gathering additional relief funds.

You may give:

- ✂ *By placing your offering in the plate with “disaster relief” in the memo line or*
- ✂ *By scanning the QR code with your phone.*



THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Anthem

Spiritual, arr. Harry T. Burleigh 1710-1736

Refrain:

There is a Balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole;

There is a Balm in Gilead, to heal the sinsick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain,

But then the Holy Spirit, revives my soul again.

Refrain

If you can preach like Peter, if you can pray like Paul,

Go home and tell your neighbor, “He died to save us all.”

Refrain

Text: Traditional African-American Spiritual

Anthony Rodriguez, baritone

PRESENTATION HYMN 380 (vs. 3) *Congregation stands.*

Old 100th

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. Amen.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him 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.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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 S 125

Richard Proulx

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.

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Congregation kneels.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

Celebrant: 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,

for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

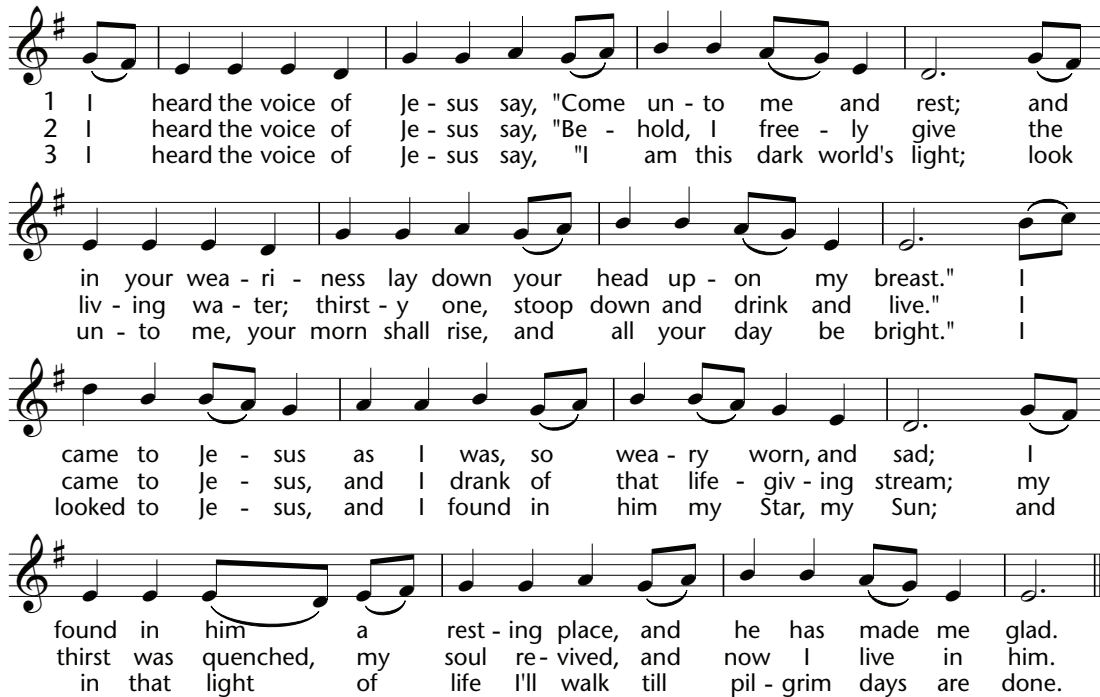
People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

- ✠ *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.*
- ✠ *If you are not baptized, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing.*
- ✠ *If you are not baptized and want to be, please contact one of the clergy.*
- ✠ *Please be guided by the ushers to the communion rail.*
- ✠ *You may drink from the common chalice or intinct from the intinction cup.*
- ✠ *Gluten-free wafers are available upon request at the altar rail.*

Hymn 692



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest; and
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give the
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light; look

in your wea - ri - ness lay down your head up - on my breast." I
 liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, stoop down and drink and live." I
 un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright." I

came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry worn, and sad; I
 came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream; my
 looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my Star, my Sun; and

found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
 thirst was quenched, my soul re - lived, and now I live in him.
 in that light of life I'll walk till pil - grim days are done.

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889); Music: *Kingsfold*, English folk melody, adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

Song

Daniel Iverson



Spi - rit of the Liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me;

Spi - rit of the Liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spi - rit of the Liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

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Hymn



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der con - sid - er
 3 And when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion and take me



all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing
 die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thypow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played.
 bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin.
 ra - tion, And there pro - claim, my God how great thou art.

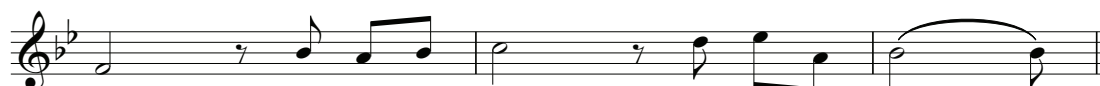
Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee; _____ How great thou



art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



thee: How great thou art, how great thou art!

Words: Stuart K. Hine; last st. setting by Eugene Thomas; Music: *O Store Gud*, Stuart K. Hine © 1953, 1981 by MANNA MUSIC, Inc.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

*People: 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.*

THE BLESSING

HYMN 296



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. _____
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. _____
 3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life. _____
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows _____

Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; _____
 Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life. _____
 The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God. _____
 as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. _____

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. _____
 as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. _____
 Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One. _____
 The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing: _____

1-3 _____ Final Ending _____
 — Al - le - lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

Words: John Brownlow Geyer (b. 1932); Music: Engelberg, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924).

THE DISMISSAL

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE Allemande

Anthony Holborne 1545-1602



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TODAY'S MUSICAL OFFERING

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Through the several weeks of mid-summer, we feature several of our talented singers at the Offertory while the full choir is on summer break. Today, we welcome baritone Anthony Rodriguez. Anthony is a native Houstonian and a dedicated music educator and musician in the Houston area. With a passion for inspiring others through music, he brings enthusiasm and skill to every performance and classroom. Outside of work, Anthony enjoys spending time with family and friends, as well as restoring old cars.

At the Offertory, Anthony offers the beloved spiritual “There is a balm in Gilead, which dates to the mid-nineteenth century. Its refrain appears in Washington Glass’s 1854 hymn “The sinner’s cure,” although the hymn is substantially based on an earlier work by John Newton. Today we hear an arrangement by Harry Burleigh, an American composer, arranger, and professional singer known for his sonorous baritone voice. He was the first African American composer who was instrumental in developing characteristically American music; introducing spirituals to classically trained artists by arranging this genre in a more classical form.

In the Old Testament, the balm of Gilead is a healing compound, symbolizing spiritual medicine for Israel and sinners. While referencing the prophet Jeremiah who questions “Is there no balm in Gilead?” the lyrics focus on the New Testament concept of salvation through Jesus Christ – Jesus Christ our balm.



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