

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO

The Church of St. John the Divine 9:00 am and 11:15 am — September 14, 2025

WELCOME



Welcome to St. John the Divine. We want to get to know you! Take your first step by completing a welcome card and placing it in the offering plate or scan this QR code to introduce yourself online.

Everything you need to join us in worship is found in this booklet. Hearing assistance is available. Please see an usher, who will be happy to help you!

FOR FAMILIES

Worshipers of all ages are encouraged to fully take part in all aspects of the service. Children's packets may be found in the narthex (lobby), children's Bibles are in the pews, and nursery care for children birth – age 2 is available next door in the administration building. Also available is a Church Family Room just off the narthex with comfortable furniture, toys, and a screen to view the service.

ALTAR FLOWERS

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9:00 am and 11:15 am – September 14, 2025 The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 19 — Year C

PRELUDE Brother James' Air

Searle Wright 1918-2004

INTROIT

Orlando Gibbons 1583-1625

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

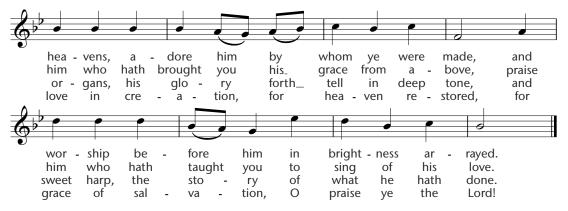
Text: Book of Common Prayer

THE WORD OF GOD

Congregation stands.

HYMN 432





Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); Music: Laudate Dominum, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918).

OPENING ACCLAMATION

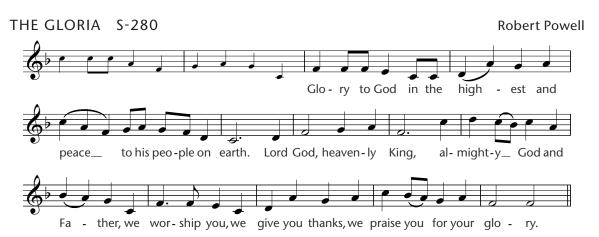
Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 355

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: 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 lesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS Congregation sits.

The Epistle 1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹²I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, ¹³though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 14

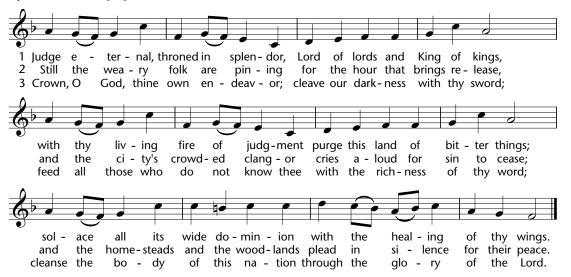
setting by Kellow John Pye 1812-1901

(9:00 am read responsively by whole verse) (11:15 am sung by the choir)

- The fool hath said in his heart,
 There is no God.
- They are corrupt, and become abominable in their doings; there is none that doeth good, no not one.
- The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.
- But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable; there is none that doeth good, no not one.
- Have they no knowledge, that they are all such workers of mischief, eating up my people as it were bread, and call not upon the LORD?
- There were they brought in great fear, even where no fear was; for God is in the generation of the righteous.
- As for you, ye have made a mock at the counsel of the poor; because he putteth his trust in the LORD.
- Who shall give salvation unto Israel out of Sion?
 When the Lord turneth the captivity of his people,
 then shall Jacob rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

At this time in the 9:00 am service, students in 1st to 5th grade are invited to join the Bridge Worship in the Nau Family Room. Students will rejoin the service at The Peace.

Hymn 596 Congregation stands.



Words: Henry Scott Holland (1847-1918); Music: Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens from Neu-vermehrtes und zu Ubung Christl.

The Gospel Luke 15:1-10

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable: ⁴"What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸"Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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;

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.

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

The congregation kneels.

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for this community, the nation, and the world, especially our

ministry partners at Cherish Our Children, Inc.;

People: That all may work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Have compassion on Meredith, John, Sally, Carolyn, Lisa, Bruce, Mary, Karen,

Cynthia, Madeleine, JB, Scott, Gray, Zoe, Dianne, Michelle, Andy, Ellen, Carlotta, Mary Ann, Steve, Pat and all those who suffer from any grief or

trouble:

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Give to the departed, especially David Palmer, eternal rest;

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The people may add their own petitions.

Celebrant: Awaken our hearts, O Lord, to love what you love.

Awaken our minds, O Lord, to think with the mind of Christ. Awaken our souls, O Lord, to walk faithfully with your Spirit.

Awaken your Church, O Lord, to renewal and revival as we gather in Christ,

grow as disciples, and go bearing the Gospel as a light for the city.

Amen.

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.

THE PEACE Congregation stands.

BCP 360

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

People: And also with you.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Your financial offerings fuel ministries that Change Lives for God in Christ. You may make your Sunday offering in one of two ways:

■ By placing your offering in the plate during the Offertory or

■ By scanning the QR code with your phone.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Anthem

George Frideric Handel 1685-1759

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way. And the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Text: Isaiah 53:6

PRESENTATION HYMN 380 (vs. 3) Congregation stands.

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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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

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.

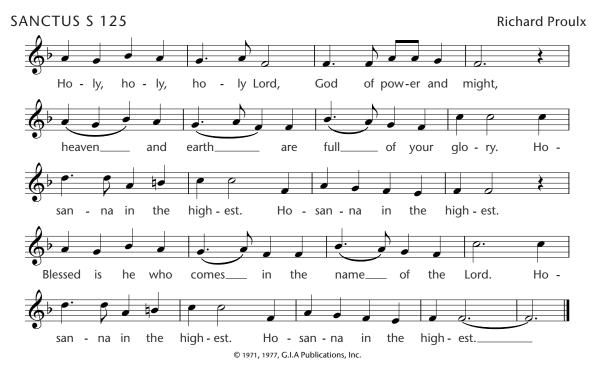
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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 you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in lesus Christ our Lord.

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:



Congregation kneels.

Celebrant: 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,

People and Celebrant:

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

Celebrant: 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.

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 S-155

Gerald Near



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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.

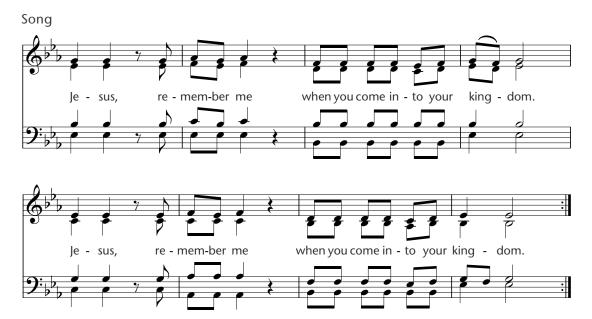




Words: Johann Franck (1618-1677); Music: Schmücke dich, Johann Cruger (1598-1662).

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayer; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and most merciful Saviour, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee. Amen.

Text: The Book of Common Prayer, 1662



Music: Jacque Berthier, © 1981, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications Inc. agent.





Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); Music: Resignation, American folk melody.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER Congregation stands.

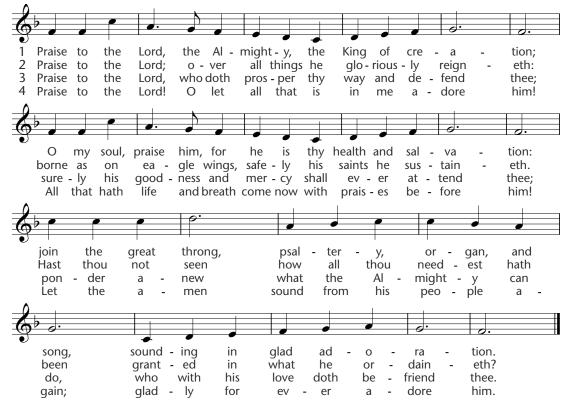
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Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

HYMN 390



Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); Music: Lobe den Herren from Erneuerten Gesangbuch, 1665.

THE DISMISSAL

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE Chorale Prelude on Lobe den Herren Max Reger 1873-1916

As we celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Létourneau Organ, you are invited to the chancel for the postlude and a short demonstration of the instrument immediately following.

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TODAY'S MUSICAL OFFERING

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Today, the Choir of St. John the Divine leads our worship at 9 am and the SJD Chorale at 11:15 am. The image of Christ as the Good Shepherd is central in today's liturgy, as referenced in our Gospel reading from Luke. The prelude is a meditation on *Brother James' Air*, a tune often set to the text of Psalm 23. During the Ministration, we sing the American Folk Hymn, "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need," the text of which is an Isaac Watts paraphrase of Psalm 23.

At the Offertory, we hear "All we like sheep have gone astray," a movement from the Second Part of Handel's *Messiah*. Listen for the text painting, especially with the word "astray" and how the musical line begins to wander. The wandering parts are finally brought together for the sober ending of the verse "and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all."

Henry Purcell, an English organist and composer of secular and sacred music during the Baroque period, is considered one of England's most important composers of that time. His iconic setting of one of the sentences from the burial service in the Book of Common Prayer, "Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts," is exquisitely simple and has become a favorite in the sacred repertoire of the church. This prayer is sung today during the Ministration.

We conclude worship with the hymn, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" as we process out into the world. The postlude, by German-Romantic composer, Max Reger, is a jubilant setting of the same hymn.

20TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT OF THE LÉTOURNEAU ORGAN

Saturday, September 20, 5:00 pm

Join us to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the church's grand Létourneau organ in an inspiring concert by famed organist, Ken Cowan. Reserve your free seat by scanning the QR code!



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