

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO

The Church of St. John the Divine 9:00 am and 11:15 am — November 16, 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

The church altar flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Henry C. Adams, Jr. by his wife, Norah G. Adams, his son, Henry Adams III, and his daughter, Christina Adams, and in memory of Lucinda Fleming. To donate altar flowers in memory, thanksgiving, or honor of someone, visit sjd.org/flower-dedications or contact Hayden Coie at 713.354.2241 or hcoie@sjd.org.

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PRELUDE Siciliano for a High Ceremony Herbert Howells 1892-1983

INTROIT

Christopher Tye 1505-1572

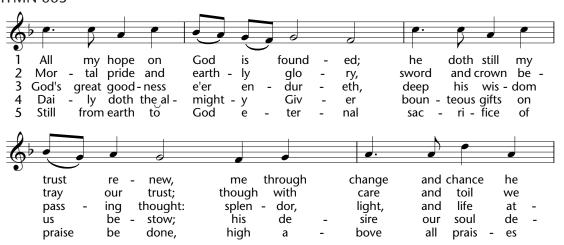
O come, ye servants of the Lord and praise his holy name, from early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just, and glad the heart; He makes his mercies known: ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before his throne.

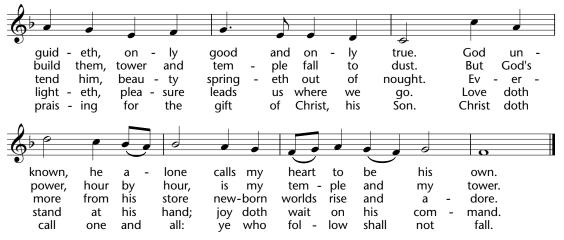
Text: Psalm 113:1.3

THE WORD OF GOD

Congregation stands.

HYMN 665





Words: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930); Music: Michael, Herbert Howells (1892-1983).

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.



Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo -



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS Congregation sits.

The Epistle 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

⁶Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. ⁹It was not because we do not have that right, but to

give you in ourselves an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. 11 For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. ¹²Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

¹³As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98

setting by Ivor Algernon Atkins 1869-1953

(9:00 am read responsively by whole verse)

(11:15 am sung by the choir)

- O sing unto the LORD a new song; for he hath done marvellous things.
- 2 With his own right hand, and with his holy arm, hath he gotten himself the victory.
- 3 The LORD hath made known his victory; his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He hath remembered his mercy and faithfulness toward the house of Israel; and all the ends of the world have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shew yourselves joyful unto the LORD, all ye lands; sing and rejoice with the sound of melody.
- Make melody unto the LORD upon the harp; even upon the harp and psaltery.
- 7 With trumpets also and shawms, shout with joy before the LORD the King.
- Let the sea roar, and all that therein is; the world, and they that dwell therein.
- Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills rejoice together before the LORD; for he cometh to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

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 482 Congregation stands.



Words: Jan Struther (1901-1953); Music: Slane, Irish ballad melody.

The Gospel Luke 21:5-19

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

⁵And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, he said, ⁶"As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." ⁷And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" ⁸And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. ⁹And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified,

for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once."

¹⁰Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. ¹²But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. ¹³This will be your opportunity to bear witness. ¹⁴Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, ¹⁵ for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all for my name's sake. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your lives.

The Gospel of the Lord. Deacon: 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 III revised

BCP 387

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

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 Interfaith Ministries;

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

Leader: We pray for persecuted Christians around the world and for all who are

endangered for their religious beliefs;

People: That they may live in peace and safety.

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

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

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, Lisa, Bruce, Karen, Cynthia, Scott,

Zoe, Andy, Ellen, Pat, Judy, Susan, Patricia, Gail, Wayne, Barbara, Bob, 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 Sarah Suttles, Judy Amonett, Gene

Loveland, Lucinda Fleming, and Evelyn James, 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.

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

lesus 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 William Mathias 1934-1992

Let the people praise thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad: For thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing. God shall bless us: and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us. That thy way may be known upon earth: thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad:

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Text: Psalm 67

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.

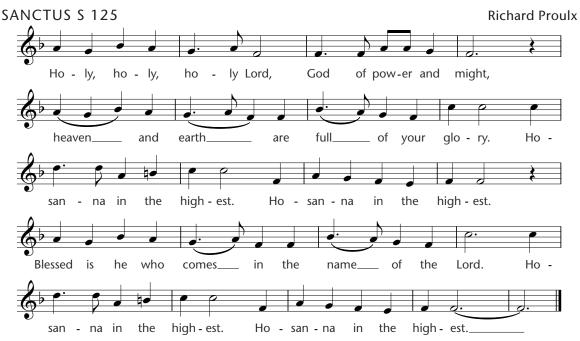
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

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 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:



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

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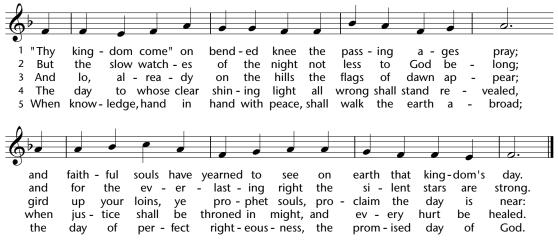


Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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.
- 母 Gluten-free wafers are available upon request at the altar rail.
- After receiving communion, Prayer Ministers are present in the East Bay for prayer.

Hymn 615



Words: Frederick Lucian Hosmer (1840-1929); Music: St. Flavian from Day's Psalter, 1562.

Anthem

William H. Harris 1883-1973

Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and the Spirit of God dwelleth within you: for the temple of God is holy, Which temple ye are: for the love of whom ye do this day celebrate the joys of the temple with a season of festivity.

Alleluia.

Text: Sarum Antiphon

Hymn 597



Words: Carl P. Daw (b. 1944); Music: Jerusalem, Charles Hubert Hastins Parry (1848-1918).

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER Congregation stands.

BCP 366

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,

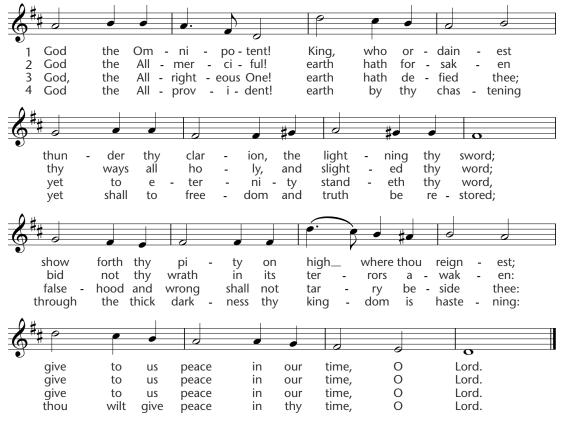
to love and serve you

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 569



Words: St. 1,2, Henry Fothergill Chorley (1808-1872), St. 3,4, John Ellerton (1826-1893); Music: Russia, Alexis Lvov (1799-1870).

THE DISMISSAL

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE Fanfare William Mathias 1934-1992

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TODAY'S MUSICAL OFFERING

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Today's choral offerings invite us to join in praise of God through words of Scripture that have inspired composers across the centuries. We begin with words from the psalmist "O come, ye servants of the Lord and praise his holy name" as set by Tudor composer Christopher Tye.

At the Offertory, the Chorale offers a rhythmic, jubilant setting of Psalm 67, "Let the people praise Thee," by 20th-century British composer William Mathias. Penned for the wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana, this anthem of praise has become part of the standard repertoire and sung by choirs around the globe.

At the ministration, the Chorale offers the anthem "Behold, the Tabernacle of God" by Sir William Harris, who set an old antiphon from the *Sarum Rite*. Harris, an English organist and composer, was affectionately known as "Doc H" by his choristers and respected for his achievements as a trainer of choristers. He is best remembered today for his large output of Anglican church music.



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