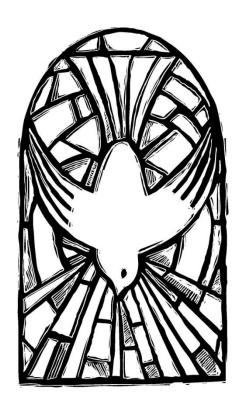
# ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



# Season after Pentecost Worship Bulletin

Sunday, August 22, 2021

Virtual Service 9:30 a.m. on Facebook:

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Welcome to St. George's! We are blessed by your attendance at our worship today.

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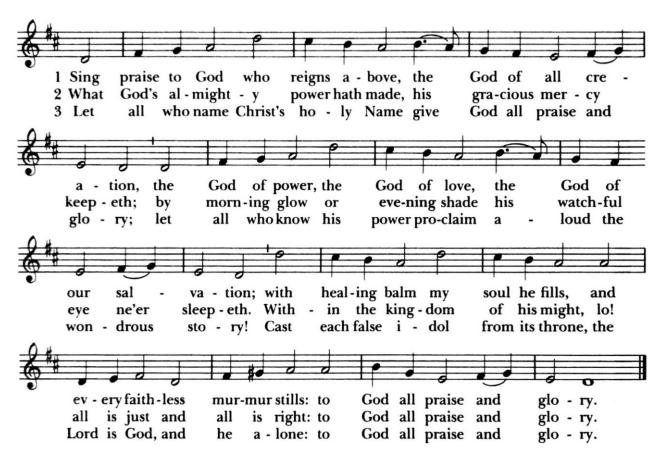
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#### The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

### **Processional Hymn**

"Sing praise to God who reigns above"

Hymn 408



Words: Johann Jacob Schütz (1640-1690); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt.

Music: Mit Freuden zart, melody from "Une pastourelle gentille," 1529;

adapt. Pseaumes cinquante de David, 1547, and Kirchengeseng darinnen die Heubtartickel des Christlichen Glaubens gefasset, 1566

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#### The Word of God

# **Opening Acclamation**

**BCP 355** 

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

\*People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.

Amen.

# **Collect for Purity**

**BCP 355** 

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

Reader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Reader Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

#### **Old Testament**

Lector A Reading (Lesson) from 1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, 'There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.' Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David.

"But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place.

Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive.

"Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name — for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm—when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

John 6:56-69

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Robin Reeves-Kautz

## The Lord's Prayer

**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.

We invite your prayers of thanksgiving and supplication at this time.

Thank you God that you are
(King of Kings and Lord of Lords, sovereign, gracious,
creator, redeemer, sustainer, loving, merciful, covenant
maker, promise keeper—we worship and adore you)
Thank you for blessing us with
(new life through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, a loving
family, friends, a way back to you through Jesus Christ)

# We pray Thy Will Be Done on Earth as it is in Heaven. Thank you for \_\_\_\_\_\_. (your peace in the midst of life's challenges, healing, loving us while we were still sinners and when we've denied you.)

We pray you give us \_\_\_\_\_\_.

(humility, generosity, moderation, patience, temperance, charity, diligence)

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil of \_\_\_\_\_ (hatred, fear, apathy, luke-warm faith, pride, doing life on our own and not relying on you)

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

#### Minister and **People**

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*.

The Priest says

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 BCP 360

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

# The Blessing

# **Recessional Hymn**

"Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates"

Hymn 436



Words: Georg Weissel (1590-1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

Music: Truro, melody from Psalmodia Evangelica, Part II, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

# The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

\*People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.