

ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 15th, 2023

10:30am Holy Eucharist

*The crèche (nursery) is downstairs and is available for use by parents of babies and toddlers.
Children are invited to head downstairs before the service for programming,
and will rejoin their caregivers during The Peace so they may participate together in Communion.*

Prelude: Cornet Voluntary

J. Travers

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

Opening Hymn: CP #427 All Beautiful the March of Days

PLEASE STAND

All beautiful the march of days as seasons come and go;
The hand that shaped the rose hath wrought the crystal of the snow,
Hath sent the hoary frost of heaven, the flowing waters sealed,
And laid a silent loveliness on hill and wood and field.

O'er white expanses, sparkling pure, the radiant morns unfold;
The solemn splendours of the night burn brighter through the cold;
Life mounts in every throbbing vein, love deepens round the hearth,
And clearer sounds the angel hymn, "Good will and peace on earth."

O thou, from whose unfathomed law the year in beauty flows,
Thyself the vision passing by in crystal and in rose;
Day unto day doth utter speech, and night to night proclaim
In ever-changing words of light the wonder of thy name.

The Apostolic Greeting & Collect for Purity

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Almighty God,

People: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.**

Song of Praise

1. Glo - ry be to God in the high - est, peace on earth in all our days.
2. You are seat - ed with the Fath - er, hear our prayer, by all a - dored.

5 Lord and King, al - might - y Fath - er, laud and thanks to you we raise.
You a - lone are High - est and Ho - ly, Je - sus Christ, you are the Lord,

9 Je - sus Christ, the Son of the Fath - er, Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God,
in the glo - ry of the Fath - er, with the Spi - rit ev - er - more,

13 take, O take our sins a - way.
with the Spi - rit. A - men.

Music: Franz Schubert
Arr. & Trans: (c) D. Cowling

The Prayer of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

First Reading: Exodus 32:1-14

PLEASE BE SEATED

A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel. The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalm 106:1-6 PLEASE REMAIN SEATED

The image shows a musical score for Psalm 106:1-6. It consists of three staves of music in a treble clef, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics 'In your stead - fast love, O Lord, you'. The second staff contains 'led your peo - ple out, led them to the pro - mised'. The third staff contains 'land, brought them to your ho - ly place.' The music is a simple, melodic line with some rests.

Israeli Folk Song

Choir: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, * for his mercy endures for ever.
Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord, * or show forth all his praise?

People: **In your steadfast love, O Lord, you led your people out,
Led them to the promised land, brought them to your holy place.**

Choir: Happy are those who act with justice, * and always do what is right.
Remember me, O Lord, with the favour you have for your people, * and visit me with your saving help.

People: **In your steadfast love, O Lord . . .**

Choir: That I may see the prosperity of your elect and be glad in the gladness of your people, * that I may
glory with your inheritance.

We have sinned as our forbears did; * we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.

People: **In your steadfast love, O Lord . . .**

Second Reading: Philippians 4:1-9

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to Church in Philippi.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Gospel Acclamation

PLEASE STAND

Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia. Al-le -
5 lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

'Saranam, Saranam'
Trad. Sri Lankan

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon: Fr. Michelle

(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)

The Apostles' Creed

PLEASE STAND

Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Presider: Having reaffirmed our faith, let us prepare to offer our prayers to God.

The Prayers of the People

PLEASE KNEEL OR STAND AS YOU PREFER

Please respond to the petition "We pray to you, God of creation" with the response, "**show us the path of life.**"

Confession and Absolution

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,

All: 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 neighbours 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.

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

PLEASE STAND

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

People: And also with you.

(We encourage you to share a sign of peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Offertory Hymn: CP #381 Praise, My Soul

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring;

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing.

Alleluia, alleluia, praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our forebears in distress;

Praise him, still the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless;

alleluia, alleluia, glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;

In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes:

alleluia, alleluia, widely as his mercy flows.

Frail as summer's flower we flourish; blows the wind and it is gone;

But, while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on:

alleluia, alleluia, praise the high eternal one.

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face;

Sun and moon bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.

Alleluia, alleluia, praise with us the God of grace.

Prayer over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer

Presider: The Lord be with you. *People:* And al - so with you.
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise

The Presiding Celebrant will begin the Eucharistic Prayer by either singing or saying the preface to the prayer. The preface will conclude with the words "to proclaim the glory of your name."

We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus as follows:



1. Ho - ly, - ho - ly, ho - ly Lord! God of pow'r, Lord
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord! God of pow'r, Lord
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord! God of pow'r, Lord
4. Glo - ry be to you, O Lord! Glo - ry now and
5. Glo - ry be to you, O Lord! Glo - ry now and



God of might, Ho - san - na in the high - est!
 God of might, Ho - san - na in the high - est!
 God of might! Ho - san - na in - the high - est!
 ev - er - more! Ho - san - na in the high - est!
 ev - er - more! To you for ev - er - more A - men.



1. Hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry, O Lord! -
2. Bless - ed is he who comes, comes in the name of the Lord!

The Presiding Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice, we sing verse 4 of the Sanctus:

People: (verse 4) **Glory be to you, O Lord! Glory now and evermore!
 Hosanna in the highest!**

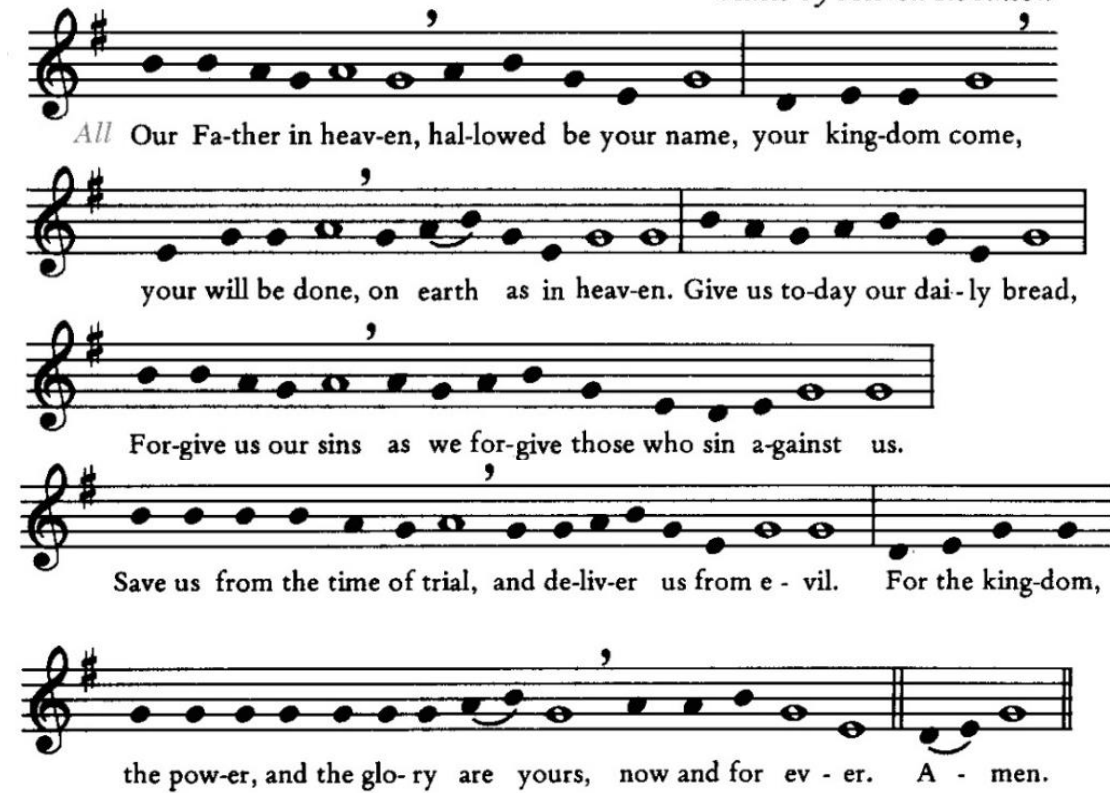
*The Presiding Celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer,
 and at the elevation of the bread and cup, we sing verse 5 of the Sanctus:*

People: (verse 5) **Glory be to you, O Lord! Glory now and evermore!
 To you for evermore. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

Music by McNeil Robinson



The musical notation consists of five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence on the fifth staff. The lyrics are written below the notes.

All Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. 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 trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom,
the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread #4

Presider: "I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

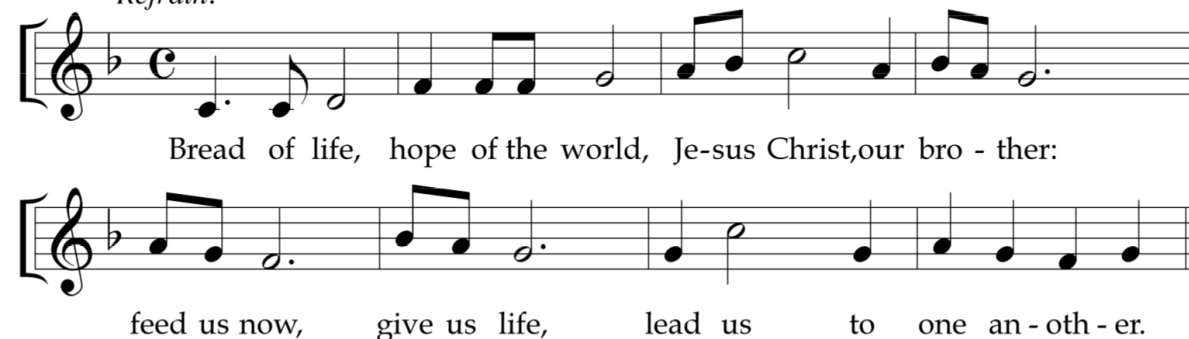
All: Give us this bread for ever.

Presider: "I am the vine, you are the branches."

All: May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

Song for the Breaking of Bread

Refrain:



The musical notation is for a refrain in B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves of music. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence on the second staff. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Bread of life, hope of the world, Je-sus Christ, our bro - ther:
feed us now, give us life, lead us to one an - oth - er.

Text & Music: B. Farrell
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Choir: As we proclaim your death, as we recall your life,
We remember your promise to return again.
The bread we break and share was scattered once as grain:
Just as now it is gathered, making your people one.

All: Bread of life, hope of the world . . .

Choir: We eat this living bread, we drink this saving cup:
Sign of hope in our broken world, source of lasting love.
Hold us in unity, in love for all to see;
That the world may believe in you, God of all who love.

**All: Bread of life, hope of the world, Jesus Christ, our brother:
Feed us now, give us life, lead us to one another.**

Choir: You are the bread of peace, you are the wine of joy,
Broken now for your people, poured in endless love.

All: Bread of life, hope of the world . . .

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Communion

PLEASE BE SEATED

All who are baptized are welcome to receive the sacrament of communion in the Anglican Church. Those who are not yet baptized are encouraged to come forward to the altar for a blessing – simply fold your arms across your chest as an indication of your desire for a blessing. This invitation is extended to all – children and infants included. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Music during Communion: Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

C.H.H. Parry

Prayer after Communion

PLEASE STAND

Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,

People: whose power working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, forever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Presider: God the Father, who created the world,
give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation. **Amen.**

God the Son, who redeemed the world,
inspire you to go out as labourers into his harvest. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole creation,
help you to bear his fruits of love, joy and peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: CP #525 The Church's One Foundation

JOIN IN SINGING

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;
We are his new creation by water and the word:
From heaven he came and sought us to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought us, and for our life he died.

Elect from every nation yet one o'er all the earth,
Our charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One glorious name we hallow, partake one holy food,
And to one hope we follow, with every grace endued.

Though with dismay and wonder we see the church oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed:
Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of our war,
We wait the consummation of peace for evermore,
Till with the vision glorious our longing eyes are blessed,
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet we on earth have union with God the Three-in-One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Dismissal

Postlude: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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