

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

## The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 29th, 2023

10:30am Holy Eucharist

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*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:** Voluntary in A Minor

J. James

### **Welcome & Announcements**

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*We gather with song and prayer as the People of God*

**Opening Hymn: CP #528** O God, Our Help in Ages Past

PLEASE STAND

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

Under the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame,  
From everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone,  
Short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time like an ever-rolling stream bears all our years away;  
They fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

### **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:** Deuteronomy 34:1-12

PLEASE BE SEATED

*A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.*

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Bethpeor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

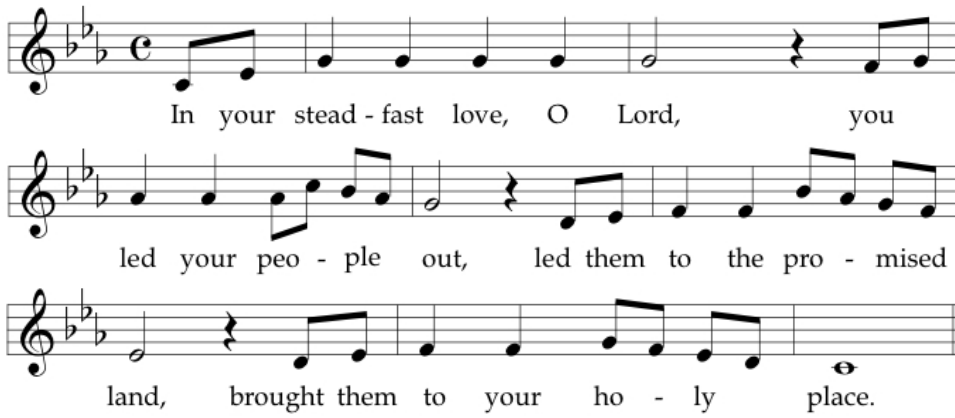
Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)*

Psalm 78

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED



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

Israeli Folk Song

Choir: Hear my teaching, O my people; \* incline your ears to the words of my mouth.  
I will open my mouth in a parable; \* I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

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

Choir: That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, \* we will not hide from our children.  
We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, \* and the wonderful works he has done.

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

**Second Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

*A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to Church in Thessalonica.*

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

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 -  
lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

'Saranam, Saranam'  
Trad. Sri Lankan

### **The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:34-46**

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.**

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

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, "Open our hearts and minds, O Lord," with the response, "to understand your love."*

### **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 #533** Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high.  
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide, till the storm of life is past;  
Safe into the haven guide; O receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none; hangs my helpless soul on thee.  
 Leave, ah! leave me not alone; still support and comfort me.  
 All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;  
 Cover my defenceless head with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find!  
 Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
 Just and holy is thy name; I am all unrighteousness:  
 False and full of sin I am; thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
 Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.  
 Thou of life the fountain art; freely let me take of thee;  
 Spring thou up within my heart; rise to all eternity.

## 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*

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-against 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.

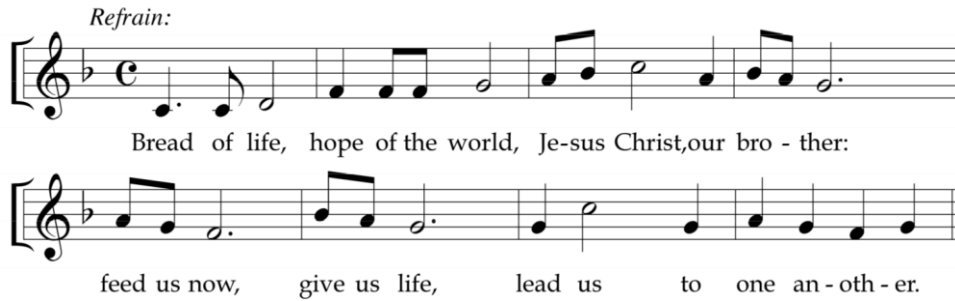
**All: Give us this bread for ever.**

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:*



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.

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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, Jesus Christ our brother:  
Feed us now, give us life, lead us to one another.**

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 . . .**

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: Ubi Caritas**

### 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

**Closing Hymn: CP #310** Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

JOIN IN SINGING

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,  
The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.

With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled:  
To God all praise and glory.

The Lord is never far away, but, through all grief distressing,  
An ever present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing.  
As with a mother's tender hand, God gently leads the chosen band:  
To God all praise and glory.

Thus, all my gladsome way along, I sing aloud your praises,  
That all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.  
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and body bear your part:  
To God all praise and glory.

Let all who name Christ's holy name give God all praise and glory;  
Let all who own his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story!  
Cast each false idol from its throne, for Christ is Lord and Christ alone:  
To God all praise and glory.

### **Dismissal**

**Postlude:** Nun danket alle Gott

S. Karg-Elert

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