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

The Last Sunday after Pentecost: The Reign of Christ

Sunday, November 26th, 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: Gavotte with Variations

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

Opening Hymn: CP #383 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun doth its successive journeys run; His kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song, And infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns; the prisoners leap to lose their chains; The weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honours to our King, Angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud Amen

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.

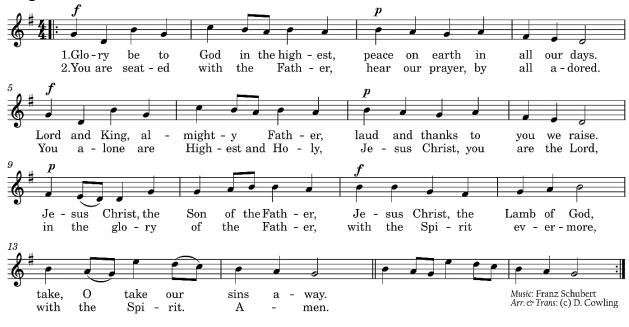
Presider: Almighty God,

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.

T. Dupuis

PLEASE STAND

Song of Praise



The Prayer of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel.

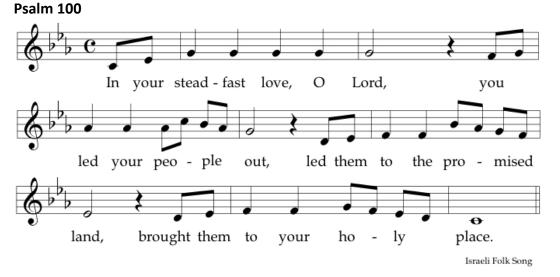
For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

PLEASE BE SEATED



Choir: Be joyful in the Lord all you lands, * serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before his presence with a song. * Know this: the Lord himself is a God.
People: In your steadfast love, O Lord . . .
Choir: He himself made us, and we are his; * we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Choir: He himself made us, and we are his; * we are his people and the sheep of his pasture Enter his gates with thanksgiving; * go into his courts with praise.

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

Choir: Give thanks to him and call upon his Name. * For the Lord is good. His mercy is everlasting, * and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

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

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

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

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)



The Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

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.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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 CELEBRATION OF HOLY BAPTISM

Presider:	Blessed be God,
People:	the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Presider:	by whose great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope,
All:	through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

God's Call

(The presider addresses those who are presenting the candidate(s))

- Presider: God is love. God gives us life. In Christ, God reaches out to us. In baptism, God calls us to respond. Do you accept this call?
- Presenters: We hear and accept God's call to *Adelaide Kinley, Adelyn Rose, Arjun Luke, and Iris Dawn*. We ask for baptism.
- Presider: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Presenters: I will, with God's help.

Presider:Will you by your prayers and example help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?Presenters:I will, with God's help.

(The presider addresses the rest of the congregation)

Presider: God calls the Church to reflect Christ's glory, in baptism, to declare His new life, and to share in the fellowship and in mission. Do you accept this call?

All: We hear and accept God's call.

Turning to Christ

(The presider addresses the presenters and candidate(s))

- Presider: The Christian life means turning away from evil and turning to Christ. Do you renounce evil?
 Presenters: I renounce evil.
 Presider: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept Him as your Saviour, putting your whole trust in His grace
- Presider: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept Him as your Saviour, putting your whole trust in His grace and love?
- Presenters: I do.

(The presider addresses the congregation)

Presider: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *these persons* in *their* life in Christ?
All: We will.

Prayers for the Candidate(s)

Celebrant: Let us now pray for *these persons* who *are* to receive the sacrament of new birth.

- Leader: Deliver *them*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
- People: Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader: Open *their hearts* to your grace and truth.
- People: Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader: Fill *them* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
- People: Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader: Teach *them* to love others in the power of the Spirit.
- People: Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader: Send *them* into the world in witness to your love.
- People: Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader: Bring *them* to the fullness of your peace and glory.
- People: Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

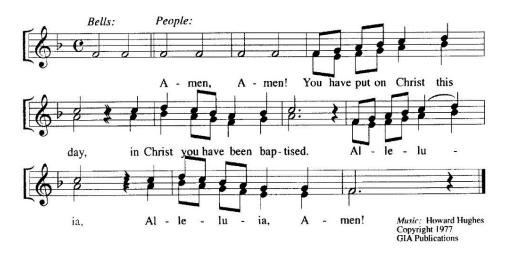
(The presider blesses the water)

The Baptismal Covenant		
Presider:	Do you believe in God the Father?	
People:	I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.	
Presider: People:	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? 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.	
Presider: People:	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.	
Presider:	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?	
People:	I will, with God's help.	
Presider: People:	Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? I will, with God's help.	
Presider: People:	Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ? I will, with God's help.	
Presider: People:	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself? I will, with God's help.	
Presider:	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?	
People:	I will, with God's help.	
Presider:	Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?	
People:	I will, with God's help.	

(The congregation may be seated)

The Baptism

Presider: I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever.



The Prayer after Baptism

Presider: Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit, you have bestowed upon *these* your *servants* the forgiveness of sin, and have raised *them* to the new life of grace. Sustain *them*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give *them* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Giving of the Light

(The candidate receives a baptismal candle, lit from the Paschal candle)

- Presider: Receive the light of Christ.
- People: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

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 #520 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, And where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, And on his shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me.

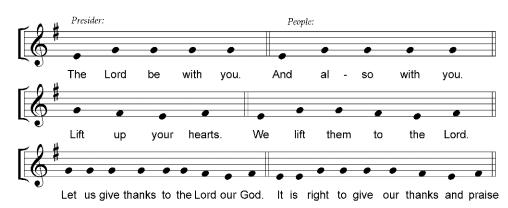
In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; And O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever!

Prayer over the Gifts

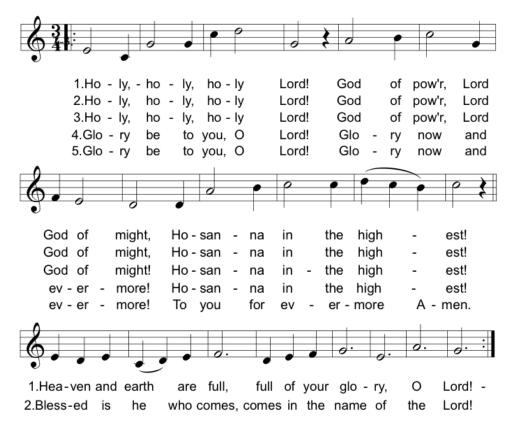
Eucharistic Prayer



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PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

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:



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:

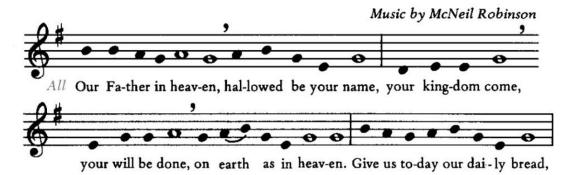
People: (verse 4) Glory be to you, O Lord! Glory now and evermore! Hosanna in the highest!

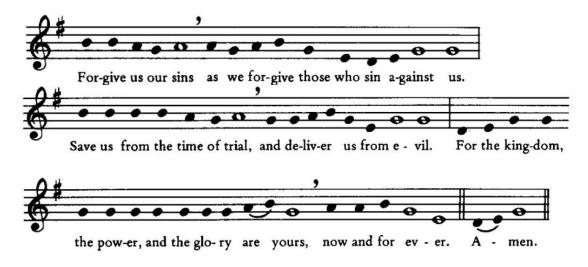
The Presiding Celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer, and at the elevation of the bread and cup, we sing verse 5 of the Sanctus:

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:

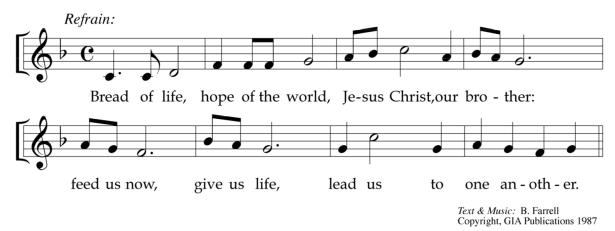




The Breaking of the Bread #4

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



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.

Presider:The gifts of God for the people of God.All:Thanks be to God.

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The Communion

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: How Can I Keep from Singing

Prayer after Communion

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 #425 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays; Stars and angels sing around thee, centre of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father and our Mother, all who live in love are thine; Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Dismissal

Postlude: Sonata in C Minor - "Presto"

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