



THE FEAST OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN
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THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
DIVERSE PEOPLE, INQUIRING MINDS, OPEN HEARTS
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WELCOME to the Episcopal Church of St. John the Evangelist

We are glad you're here! Whether this is your first time worshiping with us or you have been a member for many years, you are invited to participate as fully as you are comfortable.

The Diocesan COVID-19 guidelines now allow for inside worship, although masks still need to be worn and a distance of six feet must be maintained from those of other households. Please refrain from physical contact - hugging or handshaking - even if fully vaccinated. Abiding by these guidelines help protect the vulnerable among us.

Our worship today includes the sacrament of Holy Communion. All who desire to be in communion as the Body of Christ are invited to partake. Guided by ushers, we form a single line to receive the bread, or a blessing; individual glasses of wine are also be available. We ask that you please take the bread and wine to the side table to consume.

At St. John's, we strive to be a welcoming community where strangers easily become friends and where God is worshiped with reverence and joy.



AN AFFIRMATION OF VALUES

We are a dynamic parish of diverse people with open hearts and inquiring minds; at St. John's, lives are transformed by encountering the love of God in community.

- We are radically welcoming, a sanctuary to all who enter this space;
- We seek and serve Christ in all persons, believing that God dwells in each of us;
- We respect the dignity of all people;
- We protect the vulnerable among us – especially our children and elders, the sick, friendless, persecuted, and refugees and immigrants;
- We promote justice and peace in our neighborhood and in the global community;
- We faithfully follow in the footsteps of Jesus, making no peace with oppression and resisting all forms of evil;
- We work to restore the sacred bond between nature and humanity, protecting and celebrating God's glorious creation, this fragile earth, our island home;
- We are a parish community bound together in love and united by the Holy Spirit.

THIS WE AFFIRM

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

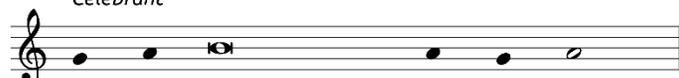
*Please maintain a prayerful atmosphere before the service.
When the bell rings, please stand as you are able.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Praise the Lord through every nation*

HYMNAL 484

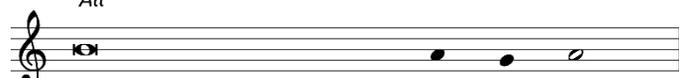
THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant



Bless - ed are you, Holy and liv - ing One.

All



You come to your people and set them free.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

HYMNAL S-278



Glo-ry to God in the highest, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,
heaven-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you
for your glo - ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take away the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

1 KINGS 2:10—12; 3:3—14

A reading from the first book of Kings.

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM APPOINTED

Dominus regnavit

PSALM 34



- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he an-swered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be ra-diant, *
and let not your fa-ces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!

9 Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.

THE EPISTLE

EPHESIANS 5:15—20

A Reading from St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *All stand for the Gospel procession.*



Verse Hail, full of grace, for the Lord is with thee,
and thou shall bear for us the Son of God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 1:46—55

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. †
Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Scot Sherman

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

All stand as they are able to say together,

THE NICENE CREED

**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 truly human.**

**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.
Who with the Father and Son is worshiped and glorified.
Who 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

Deacon at the Altar Let us offer our prayers and thanksgivings to God who has bestowed upon us the gift of the Holy Spirit.

After each petition the congregation responds



Intercessor For every church in every place and for all communities of faith where the love of God is proclaimed.



For the leaders of our nation and all in authority; inspire them, O God, to strive for peace among all people.



For our bishops, **Michael** and **Marc**, for our clergy, **Scot, Jackie, Lisa, Robert, Richard, Jack, and David**; for our wardens, **Claudia and Nathan**; for all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.



For our parish community, our neighbors, and our families; for our friends and for our animal companions; may the needs of every living creature be satisfied.



For those living in war-torn countries, for all victims of violence, especially the children, and for captives and refugees, and for all who live in fear.



For the poor and the hungry, those who weep and are alone, and those who suffer in body, mind or spirit. We pray especially for: **Andy** (Frost), **Bonita** (Palmer), **Barbara** (Brandon), **Ricky** (Abisla), **Dietrich-Kazian Family**, **Richard** (Stillwell), **Susan** (Palmer Love), **Don** (Alvarez), **Shamus** (Roller), **Valentina** (Maldonado), **Sr. Maggie** (Smith), **Sr. Pamela**, **Steve** (Walker), **Suzana** (Seban), **Bev** (Wells), **Alan** (Fisher), **Ellen** (Eatough), **William** (Stewart), **Danielle** (Weyenth), **Hilda & Joshua**, **Michael** (Locicero), **Liselotte & Tom** (Tiemensma/Newton), **Antonio** (Carmen's son), **Dan** (Reardon), and for those we now name ... Bring them healing in body, mind and spirit.



Intercessor For those who have died †, especially, **Teresa** (Chan), **Jan** (Canfield), **Cecil** (Forbes), **Marilyn** (Lumsdon), **Marjorie** (Adams), and those we now name... And we pray for those who mourn, that they, too, may know your promise of eternal life.



The Presider adds a concluding Collect

A RITE OF FAREWELL

Sr. Warden Scot, you have been among us as priest for six months; you have been a faithful steward to us in bringing God's word and sacraments, by tending to our spiritual needs through prayer and peaching, and through your pastoral presence to the people of this congregation and the neighborhood.

Jr. Warden We give thanks to God for your time with us and pray for God's gracious blessings upon you and your family as you continue your ministry to Christ and the Church.

People **Scot, it is with gratitude and grief that we accept the ending of our pastoral relationship and wish you Godspeed.**

Deacon Let us pray.

Gracious God, again and again your grace precedes us and follows us. You blessed us with your servant Scot and together we journeyed through Lent, we shared the pain of Christ's Passion, and the joy of the Resurrection.

People **We thank you, O God, for you have done great things for us.**

Deacon Scot, your presence has comforted us, encouraged us, and delighted us. You were our rudder when we strayed, and our ballast in the face of turbulence. In this community you baptized and you buried.

People **And now, you are woven into the history of our parish. We are and will be forever grateful for this short time we've shared. You and Catherine will always have a home at St. John's.**

*Catherine is invited to join Scot;
The people are invited to come forward for the laying on of hands,
those on Zoom may reach out virtually.*

Deacon Let us offer our prayers and thanksgivings for Scot and Catherine.

*The people in the church and on Zoom
may offer their prayers and thanksgivings*

Deacon O God, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: surround Scot and Catherine with your loving care, and guide them on their journey to come; grant us we pray, that by drawing ever nearer to you, we may be bound in your love and united by your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are full,

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you."

Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. John the Evangelist, all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant
As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Celebrant and People
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.
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 tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.
For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,
now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Presider breaks the bread

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

AGNUS DEI

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on_ us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have

mer - cy on_ us. Je - sus, re - deemer, re - deemer of the world: give us your

peace, give_ us your peace.

The Presider invites the people to Communion saying:

Presider These are 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.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*At the direction of the ushers, individuals and household groups may proceed to the altar. **Bread and wine are to be consumed only at the side table.** After receiving the bread, you may take a glass of wine from the tray held by the Deacon. Please move to the side table to consume the sacrament and return your glass. For the security of your belongings, please bring them up with you as you receive communion.*

GLUTEN-FREE BREAD IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I ask you to feed me with the manna of your Holy Spirit and nourish me with your Holy presence. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Christ Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

COMMUNION HYMN

Sing of Mary, pure and lowly

HYMNAL 277

SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

Creator God, may we who have been strengthened by this sacrament, strengthen those in weakness. We who have been fed, feed those in hunger. We who have been welcomed, welcome others. We who have been seen and known, see and know the needs of others. Give us your grace to respond always in loving service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May God, who has led us in the paths of justice and truth, lead us still, and inspire us always. **Amen.**

May God, whose Son has loved us and taught us to love, love us still, and establish us in peace. **Amen.**

May God, whose Spirit unites us and fills our hearts with joy, illumine us still, and strengthen us for the years to come. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

When in our music God is glorified

HYMNAL 420

STATION AT THE LADY CHAPEL

Proceed to the chapel where the two shrines are revered and honored with incense.

ANGELUS

Presider The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
People **And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**
All **Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death.**

Presider Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
People **Be it done to me according to your word.**

All **Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death.**

Presider And the Word was made Flesh.
People **And dwelt among us.**

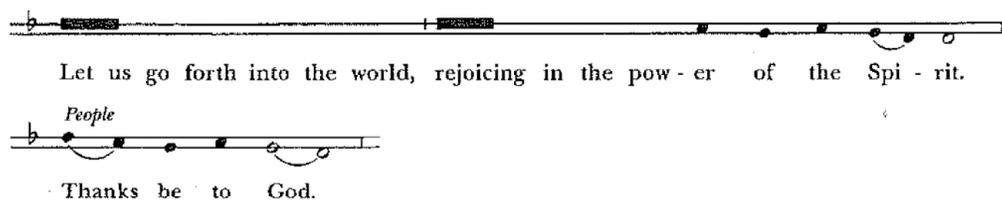
All **Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death.**

Presider Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
People **That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Presider Let us pray.
Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection.
Through the same Christ our Lord.
People **Amen.**

VOLUNTARY

THE DISMISSAL



Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People

Thanks be to God.

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Weekly at St. John's

Holy Eucharist • Sunday 10:15 am

Gubbio Project • Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 2:00 pm

Julian Pantry • Saturday 9:00 – 11:00 am

