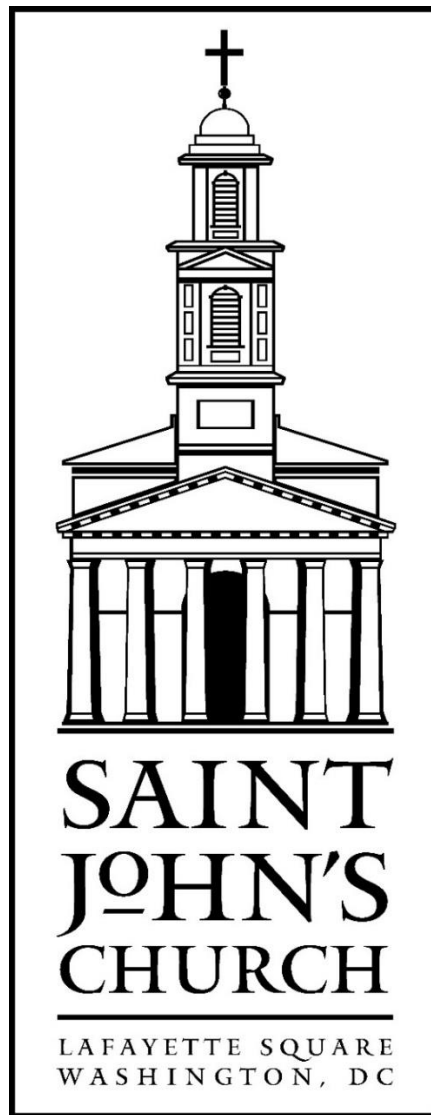


# OUTDOOR SERVICE LITURGY



**October 18, 2020**

## OPENING

### WELCOME BY THE PRIEST

*Soloist sings.*

**Priest:** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People:** **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Priest:** 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.

**People:** **Amen.**

### THE COLLECT FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

**Priest:** Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### PSALM 99

- 1 The Lord is King;  
let the people tremble;  
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;  
let the earth shake.
- 2 The Lord is great in Zion;  
he is high above all peoples.
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome;  
he is the Holy One.
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,  
you have established equity;  
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God  
and fall down before his footstool;  
he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,  
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name,  
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;  
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed;  
you were a God who forgave them,  
yet punished them for their evil deeds.

- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God  
and worship him upon his holy hill;  
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

## THE READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

Matthew 22:15-22

*Priest:* The reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

*Priest:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## A PRAYER FOR STEWARDSHIP

*Priest and People:*

**Gracious and everlasting God, the giver of all good gifts, you have blessed us and our parish abundantly. Grant us the hope to dream and the courage to live into our possibilities. Make us faithful stewards, both for the provision of our necessities and for the relief of those who are in need. Bless the efforts of our Annual Giving this year to extend the work of spiritual renewal in our church and community of faith. Through Jesus Christ, who gave all of himself, we offer this prayer. Amen.**

## PRAYERS BEFORE RECEIVING COMMUNION

*Prayers for receiving communion from reserved sacrament  
The Scottish Episcopal Church*

Please respond with the words, “**Glory to you for ever.**”

**Priest:** We thank you, Lord our God,  
for this world which you have given us; you never cease  
to make it new, and you call  
us to work with you; you accept the work of our hands.

**People:** **Glory to you for ever.**

**Priest:** You have made humankind in your image; each one of us is fashioned in your  
likeness, and we are able to recognise your face in the faces of our brothers and sisters.

**People:** **Glory to you for ever.**

**Priest:** You have never desired to live apart from us, and you have taught us to know you  
through the Law and the Prophets, the Apostles and Evangelists, who told us the  
marvellous story of your love.

**People:** **Glory to you for ever.**

**Priest:** And you have come to us  
in your Son, Jesus Christ.  
In him you have walked along our roads, looked at us with human eyes,  
done the kind of things that we do,  
and shared with us the joy that  
can never be lost.

**People:** **Glory to you for ever.**

**Priest:** Now you give us his Body and Blood, and we give ourselves to you. Through the  
death and resurrection of your Son, through the Holy Spirit who has been given to  
us, we can make you our eternal home.

**People:** **Glory to you for ever.**

**Priest:** So, with all Christians who are gathered together today everywhere, throughout the  
world, and with the great procession of your Saints, as brothers and sisters we pray  
to you, as our Saviour has taught us:

**Priest and People:**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Do not bring us to  
the time of trial but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE COMMUNION

*The people are invited to come forward and receive.*

*Soloist sings.*

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Please stand.*

*Priest:* Let us pray.

*Priest and People:*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

*Priest:* Life is short. And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love. Make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

*People:* **Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

*Priest:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

*People:* **Thanks be to God!**

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