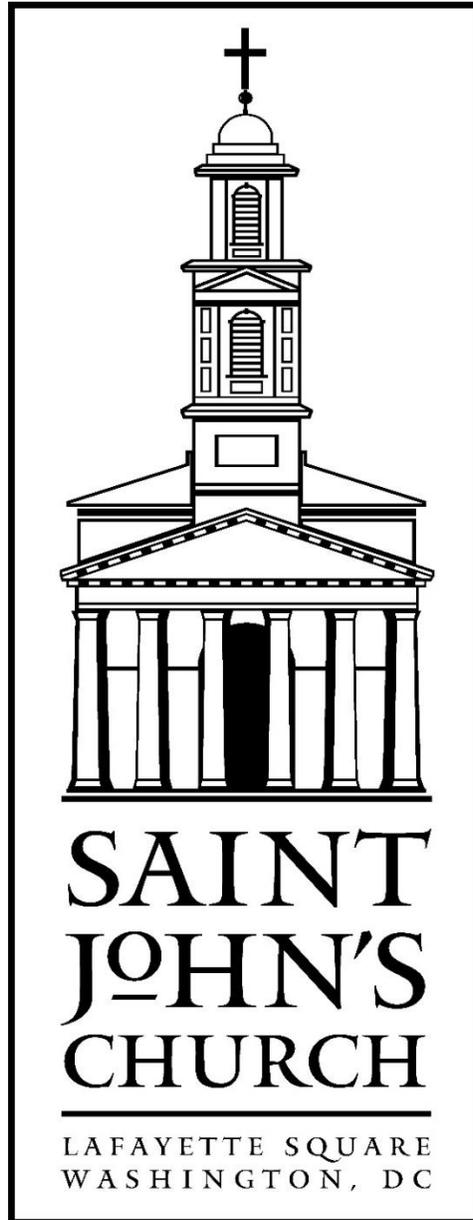


**THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



**August 16, 2020**

## WELCOME BY GREETERS AND USHERS

## RECTOR'S WELCOME

## OPENING SENTENCE

*Priest:* Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

*-Philippians 1:2*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*Priest:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Priest and People:*

**Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.**

*Priest:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## INVITATORY AND PSALTER

*Priest:* Lord, open our lips.

*People:* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Priest and People:*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

**THE VENITE**

*Led by Anthony Pegues.*

**Psalm 95:1-7**

**Leader:** Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God:

**People:** **Come let us adore him.**

Come, let us sing to the Lord;  
 let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving  
 and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.  
 For the Lord is a great God,  
 and a great King above all gods.  
 In his hand are the caverns of the earth,  
 and the heights of the hills are his also.  
 The sea is his, for he made it,  
 and his hands have molded the dry land.  
 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,  
 and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
 For he is our God,  
 and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.  
 Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

**Leader:** Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God:

**People:** **Come let us adore him.**

**HYMN 420**

*When in our music God is glorified*

Sung by the Summer Choir.



1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 So has the Church, in lit - ur - gy and song, \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night \_\_\_\_\_  
 5 Let ev - ery in - stru-ment be tuned for praise! \_\_\_\_\_



1 and a - dor - a - tion leaves no room for pride, \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 a new di - men - sion in the world of sound, \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 in faith and love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 when ut - most e - vil strove a - gainst the Light? \_\_\_\_\_  
 5 Let all re - joice who have a voice to raise! \_\_\_\_\_

1 it is as though the whole cre - a - tion cried \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 as wor - ship moved us to a more pro - found \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 borne wit - ness to the truth in ev - ery tongue, \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight, \_\_\_\_\_  
 5 And may God give us faith to sing al - ways \_\_\_\_\_

1-4 Final Ending  
 — Al - le - lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

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## THE READING

**Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**

*Read by Susan Carlson.*

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

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

## PSALM 133

*Read by Desirée Stolar.*

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is,  
when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head  
that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron,  
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon  
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the Lord has ordained the blessing:  
life for evermore.

## THE READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

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

**ANTHEM** *There's a wideness in God's mercy*

Calvin Hampton  
(1938-1984)

Lisa Koehler, mezzo-soprano  
Samantha Scheff, organ

**THE SERMON**

**The Rev. William Morris**

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

*Read by John More.*

**Leader and People:**

**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.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Led by Sarah and Jeff Agnew.*

*The people stand or kneel.*

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Leader:** Let us pray.

**Leader and People:**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE SUFFRAGES

*Read by Jim Kreger and Thom Sinclair.*

**Versicle:** Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**Response:** Govern and uphold them, now and always.

**Versicle:** Day by day we bless you;

**Response:** We praise your Name for ever.

**Versicle:** Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**Response:** Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

**Versicle:** Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**Response:** For we put our trust in you.

**Versicle:** Let your way be known upon earth;

**Response:** And we shall never hope in vain.

## THE COLLECT FOR THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Priest:** Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Brian Schoeneman.

(adapted from prayers written by Brian McLaren.)

**Leader:** Let us give thanks to the living God for all the gifts that we enjoy, saying, “We thank you, living God.”

**Leader:** For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** For the communities of St. John’s and our companion relationships with the *Anglican Church of Southern Africa\** and *the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem*. For *Michael*, our Presiding Bishop, for our Bishops, *Mariann* and *Chilton*. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for *St. Bartholomew’s Parish, Laytonsville*, and for all people whose lives reveal the image of Christ:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** For *Donald*, our President, the leaders of *Congress*, the *Supreme Court*, and for all who serve our country, that they may work for justice, freedom, and peace:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** For minds to think, hearts to love, and hands to serve:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** For challenges which call forth new strength, for failures which teach greater humility, and for encouragement to persevere when life is hard:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** For those in special need today, especially those who are sick and who are shut-ins. For the people of the *Middle East, Latin America, and all affected by the coronavirus* and for your care for all those in need:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** For those celebrating a birthday this week, especially *Jeff Bozman, Jordan Baugh, Davis Hampe, Jan Lupton, Peter Odom, Ugo Owunwanne, Charles Schwartz, Bard Sullenger, Hadley Sullenger, and Heather Pasley*; for those celebrating an anniversary this week, especially *Carolyn Harris and Clark Ervin, Katherine and Pete Kyle, Gini and Harker Rhodes, Alexian Wines and Christopher Semkow, and Karen and Wes Williams*.

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

\* In particular, the Kwasa Centre in the Diocese of the Highveld.

**Leader:** For our country and all who serve on behalf of our civic life:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** For those who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** For all who have gone before us, for all who walk beside us, and for all children, who are precious to us and to you:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

**Leader:** And for the great wisdom and hope that you reveal to us through Jesus, our leader, example, teacher, liberator, and friend:

**People:** **We thank you, living God.**

### **A PRAYER ATTRIBUTED TO ST. FRANCIS**

*Read by Dax Tejera.*

**Leader:** Lord, make us instruments of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let us sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is discord, union;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.  
Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;  
to be understood as to understand;  
to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive;  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

### **A PRAYER FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE**

*Read by Andrew Tomlinson*

**Leader:** Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, 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.

### **A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM**

*Read by Katherine McClintic.*

**Leader:** Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

**Leader:** Let us bless the Lord.

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

## **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.**

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

*-Ephesians 3:20, 21*

**VOLUNTARY** *Benedictus, op. 59 Nr. 9*

Max Reger  
(1873-1916)

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## **THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD.**

**USHERS:** Andrew and Joanna Hunt.

**GREETERS:** Kat Kehoe and Earl Matthews.