



*The Sixth Sunday  
after Pentecost  
Year C, Proper 11*

MORNING PRAYER

JULY 17, 2022  
TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

# *Saint John's Church, Mobile*

Welcome to Saint John's. Since its founding in 1853 Saint John's has been an Episcopal parish church in the heart of Mobile. From our beginning worship has been central to our common life. Originally located ten streets West of Christ Church, Saint John's moved to its current location in 1956, to what was then nearly at the city limits. If you are interested in learning more about Saint John's or becoming a member of our parish community, please speak with one of the clergy or call the parish office at (251) 479-5474. Saint John's can be found on the Internet at [www.stjohnsmobile.org](http://www.stjohnsmobile.org).

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## **THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR**

are given by  
Janet Buckley  
to the glory of God.

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## **RECENT ATTENDANCE:**

19            Sunday, July 10, Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

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## Prelude

### THE ENTRANCE RITE

#### Entrance Song

*All stand as the organ begins the introduction to the entrance hymn. The Congregation sings the hymn as the ministers of the assembly move to the chancel.*

#### Hymn 389

*Monkland*

Let us with a gladsome mind

#### Opening Sentence

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*The Officiant says*

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

#### Confession of Sin

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*The Officiant continues*

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Silence may be kept. The Officiant and People together, all kneeling.*

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.

*The Officiant says*

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

*Amen.*

## THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

### Preces

BCP p. 80

*All stand. The Officiant begins*

Lord, open our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Officiant and People (see Insert)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. World  
without end. Amen.

### The Invitatory

BCP p. 81

*The Officiant continues*

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

*People* Come let us adore him.

*The Congregation sings the **Jubilate** (Psalm 100) found in the Insert. The entire congregation sings both the antiphon and the verses.*



- 1 LORD, who may | dwell in your | tabernacle? \*  
who may abide up | on your | holy | hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and | does what is | right, \*  
who | speaks the | truth from his | heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;  
he does no | evil to his | friend; \*  
he does not heap con | tempt up | on his | neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the | wicked is re | jected, \*  
but he honors | those who | fear the | LORD.
- 5 He has sworn to | do no | wrong \*  
and | does not take | back his | word.
- 6 He does not give his money in | hope of | gain, \*  
nor does he take a | bribe a | gainst the | innocent.
- 7 Whoever | does these | things \*  
shall | never be | over | thrown.

## THE LESSONS

*The People are seated. The first Lesson, Genesis 18:1-10a, is now read*

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup> He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men stood in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them, and bowed himself to the earth, <sup>3</sup> and said, "My lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup> Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, <sup>5</sup> while I fetch a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on -- since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup> And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup> And Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. <sup>8</sup> Then he took curds, and milk, and the calf which he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. <sup>9</sup> They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." <sup>10</sup> The LORD said, "I will surely return to you in the Spring, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him.

*The Reader concludes*

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The People stand and sing* Canticle 16, Benedictus Dominus Deus.



- <sup>1</sup> Blessèd be the Lord, the | God of | Israel; \*  
he has come to his | people and | set them | free.
- <sup>2</sup> He has raised up for us a | mighty | savior, \*  
born of the | house of his | servant | David.



3 Through his holy prophets he promised of old,  
 that he would | save us from our | enemies, \*  
 from the | hands of | all who | hate us.

4 He promised to show | mercy to our | fathers \*  
 and to re|member his | holy | covenant.

5 This was the oath he swore to our | father | Abraham, \*  
 to set us | free from the | hands of our | ene- mies,

6 Free to worship him with | out | fear, \*  
 holy and righteous in his | sight all the | days of our | life.

7 You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the | Möst | High, \*  
 for you will go before the | Lord to pre | pare his | way,

8 To give his people | knowledge of sal | vation \*  
 by the for | giveness | of their | sins.

9 In the tender com | passion of our | God \*  
 the dawn from on | high shall | break up- | on us,

10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the  
 | shadow of | death, \*  
 and to guide our | feet in- to the | way of | peace.

Glory to the Father, and | to the | Son, \*  
 and | to the | Holy | Spirit:  
 As it was in the be- | ginning, is | now, \*  
 and | will be for | ever. A | men.

*The second lesson, Colossians 1:15-28, is now read*

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creation; <sup>16</sup> for in him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or authorities -- all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> He is the head of

the body, the church; he is the beginning, the first-born from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fulness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. <sup>21</sup> And you, who once were estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup> he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him, <sup>23</sup> provided that you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel which you heard, which has been preached to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister. <sup>24</sup> Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I complete what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <sup>25</sup> of which I became a minister according to the divine office which was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup> the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now made manifest to his saints. <sup>27</sup> To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup> Him we proclaim, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man mature in Christ.

*The Reader concludes*

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

Thanks be to God.

*All stand and join in singing* Canticle 21, Te Deum laudamus

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(b. 1930)



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- 1 You are God: we **praise you**;  
You are the Lord: we **acclaim you**;
- 2 You are the eternal **Father**:  
All creation **worships you**.
- 3 To you all angels, all the powers of **heaven**,  
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless **praise**:



4 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and **might**,  
heaven and earth are full of your **glory**.

5 The glorious company of apostles **praise you**.  
The noble fellowship of prophets **praise you**.

6 The white-robed army of martyrs **praise you**.  
Throughout the world the holy Church **acclaims you**;

7 Father, of majesty **unbounded**,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all **worship**,  
8 and the Holy **Spirit**,  
advocate and **guide**.

9 You, Christ, are the king of **glory**,  
the eternal Son of the **Father**.

10 When you became man to set us **free**  
you did not shun the Virgin's **womb**.

11 You overcame the sting of **death**  
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all **believers**.

12 You are seated at God's right hand in **glory**.  
We believe that you will come and be **our judge**.

13 Come then, Lord, and help your **people**,  
bought with the price of your own **blood**,  
14 and bring us with your **saints**  
to glory **everlasting**.

*The People may be seated, The third lesson, Luke 10:38-42 is now read.*

Now as Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a village; and a woman named Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her."

*The Reader concludes*

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

Thanks be to God.

## The Apostles' Creed

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*All stand as the Officiant rises. The Officiant introduces the Creed, saying*

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

*Celebrant 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.

## Welcome & Announcements

*The People may be seated for the Welcome & Announcements.*

## The Offering

*During the singing of the Offertory, the ushers will collect the people's offerings.*

## Offertory Hymn 423

*St. Denio*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

## THE PRAYERS

BCP p. 97

*All stand as the Officiant rises. The Officiant begins*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*The Officiant and People sing*

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

**The Suffrages**

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*Officiant* Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

*People* Govern and uphold them, now and always.

*Officiant* Day by day we bless you;

*People* We praise your name for ever.

*Officiant* Lord, keep us from all sin today;

*People* Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

*Officiant* Lord, show us your love and mercy;

*People* For we put our trust in you.

*Officiant* In you, Lord, is our hope;

*People* And we shall never hope in vain.

## **The Collect for the Day**

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Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*Amen.*

## **A Collect for Sundays**

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O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen.*

## **A Collect for Mission**

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Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name.

*Amen.*

## **The Intercessions**

*The People remain standing. The Officiant bids the Intercessions and Thanksgivings*

*At the conclusion of the Intercessions, the Officiant says*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Officiant* Let us pray

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 to us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

**Office Hymn 382**

*General Seminary*

King of glory, King of peace

*The Officiant concludes*

Let us bless the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

*Amen.*

*The People remain standing and sing the Processional Hymn.*

**Processional Hymn 635**

*Wer nur de lieben Gott*

If thou but trust in God to guide thee

**The Dismissal**

*A Minister dismisses the assembly, first saying*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Minister* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

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**THIS WEEK AT SAINT JOHN’S:**

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Today	10:00 AM	Morning Prayer: Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Time in the Great Hall
Wednesday	6:00PM	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	10:00AM	Holy Eucharist: Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
	11:15AM	Fellowship time in the Great Hall
	11:30AM	Monthly pot-luck in the Great Hall

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Serving in today’s liturgy:

Greeters.....	Mellissa Brown
Celebrant.....	Kathe Gieseler
First Lesson Lector.....	Janet Buckley
Second Lesson Lector.....	Geri Moulton
Third Lesson Lector.....	Mary Sheffield
Altar Guild.....	Connie Anderson & Bootsie Cieutat
Vestry Tellers.....	James Christiansen & Geri Moulton

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**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Our sisters and brothers in Christ: Mary Jones, Mitchell Schlegel, Irene Yeager, Carolyn Pearce, Ashley Garris, Jerry Fulford, James Christiansen, Audrey Garner, Joyce Lee, Jayson Chestang.

Our sisters and brothers that cannot be with us: Marian Boykin, Bob and Paula Ross, Marie Brown, Budd McLean, Mary Catherine Warren.

Our family and friends: John Anderson, Betty Boudreaux, Evi Valera, David Brunner, Mary Horner, Doug Turner, Darrell Thaxton, Bob Sheffield, Steve Wood, Carol Unsworth, Susan Hansen, Karl Gieseler, Keith Matthews, Randy Dunn, Sharon Lee Nolan, Willie Douglas, Daniel Day, Peggy Sheffield, Cliff Federle, Helen Guthrie, Eddie Hun, Katelynn Tillman, Karen Twilley, Nancy Payne, Donna Pigg, Tiffany Matthews, Betty Williams, Latecia Cushion Knight, Bonnie Jernigan, Britney Butler, Neal Tourné, Sandy Michel, Connor Crist, Paul Nelson, Steven Campbell (*priest*).

Our sisters and brothers serving in the Armed Forces:  
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