

*The Eighth Sunday
after Pentecost
Year C, Proper 13*

MORNING PRAYER

JULY 31, 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.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

are given by
Cheryl Heard
to the glory of God
and in thanksgiving for
the birthday of Julia Heard.

RECENT ATTENDANCE:

31 Sunday, July 24, Seventh Sunday of Pentecost

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 527

Ton-y-Botel

Singing songs of expectation

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

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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

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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 Hear this, all you peoples;
hearken, all you who | dwell in the | world, *
you of high degree and low, | rich and | poor to | gether.
- 2 My mouth shall | speak of | wisdom, *
and my heart shall | meditate on | under | standing.
- 3 I will incline my | ear to a | proverb *
and set forth my | riddle up | on the | harp.
- 4 Why should I be afraid in | evil | days, *
when the wickedness of | those at my | heels sur | rounds me,
- 5 The wickedness of those who put their | trust in their | goods, *
and | boast of | their great | riches?
- 6 We can never | ransom our | selves, *
or deliver to | God the | price of our | life;
- 7 For the ransom of our | life is so | great, *
that we should never | have e | nough to | pay it,
- 8 In order to live for | ever and | ever, *
and | never | see the | grave.
- 9 For we see that the wise die also;
like the dull and | stupid they | perish *
and leave their | wealth to | those who come | after them.



10 Their graves shall be their homes for ever,
 their dwelling places from generation to | gene | ration, *
 though they call the | lands after | their own | names.

11 Even though honored, they cannot | live for | ever; *
 they are | like the | beasts that | perish.

THE LESSONS

The People are seated. The first Lesson, Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23, is now read

Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity...¹² I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem.¹³ And I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to the sons of men to be busy with.¹⁴ I have seen everything that is done under the sun; and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind...^{2:18} I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me;¹⁹ and who knows whether he will be a wise man or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity.²⁰ So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun,²¹ because sometimes a man who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by a man who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil.²² What has a man from all the toil and strain with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³ For all his days are full of pain, and his work is a vexation; even in the night his mind does not rest. This also is vanity.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

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



- 1 Blessed be the Lord, the | God of | Israel; *
he has come to his | people and | set them | free.
- 2 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 3:1-11, is now read

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hid with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. ⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ In these you once walked, when you lived in them. ⁸ But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹ Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

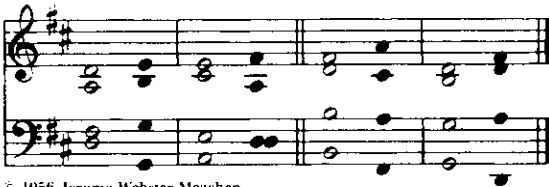
People

Thanks be to God.

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

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Jerome Webster Meachen
(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 12:13-21 is now read.

One of the multitude said to Jesus, "Teacher, bid my brother divide the inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or divider over you?" And he said to them, "Take heed, and beware of all covetousness; for a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

The Reader concludes

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People

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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 607

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O God of every nation

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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Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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

People The Lord be with you.
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 610

Blaenhafren

Lord, whose love through humble service

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 594

Cwm Rhondda

God of grace and God of glory

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

THIS WEEK AT SAINT JOHN’S:

Today	10:00 AM	Morning Prayer: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Time in the Great Hall
Wednesday	6:00PM	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	10:00AM	Morning Prayer: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
	11:15AM	Fellowship time in the Great Hall

The church office is staffed from 9:00AM until 2:00PM, Tuesday and Wednesday. Outside of office hours or in an emergency, please call the senior warden at 251-709-2343. The office@stjohnsmobile.org email account will be checked regularly.

Serving in today’s liturgy:

Greeters.....	Irene Yeager
Celebrant.....	Br. Jacob Luke
First Lesson Lector.....	Geri Moulton
Second Lesson Lector.....	Mary Sheffield
Third Lesson Lector.....	Janet Buckley
Altar Guild.....	Cindy Gass & Martha Jones
Vestry Tellers.....	Janet Buckley & Nikki Shaw

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:
Nicholas Boykin, Joshua Maddox, Ryan Hurt,
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