

*The Twelfth Sunday after
Pentecost
Year C, Proper 17*

HOLY EUCHARIST

28 AUGUST 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 TODAY

are given by

Andrew Lee

in memory of George S. Lee, Sr;

and by

Mac and Carolyn Pearce

in celebration of their 38th wedding anniversary
and in memory of Mildred Pearce, David Pearce,
Peter Pearce, and Toni Pearce.

RECENT ATTENDANCE:

17 Sunday, 21 August: Pentecost 11

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 choir and ministers of the assembly move to the chancel.

Hymn 391

Winchester New

Before the Lord's eternal throne

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom; now and forever. Amen.

The Congregation sings Gloria in excelsis

Hymn S277

(Hurd)

Glory to God in the highest

The people remain standing for the Collect of the Day.

The Collect of the Day

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The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lessons

The People are seated. The first Lesson, Jeremiah 2:4-13, is now read.

Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the LORD:

What wrong did your ancestors find in me
that they went far from me,
and went after worthless things, and became worthless
themselves?

They did not say, "Where is the LORD
who brought us up from the land of Egypt,
who led us in the wilderness,
in a land of deserts and pits,
in a land of drought and deep darkness,
in a land that no one passes through,
where no one lives?"

I brought you into a plentiful land
to eat its fruits and its good things.

But when you entered you defiled my land,
and made my heritage an abomination.

The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?"
Those who handle the law did not know me;
the rulers transgressed against me;
the prophets prophesied by Baal,
and went after things that do not profit.

Therefore once more I accuse you, says the LORD,
and I accuse your children's children.

Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,
send to Kedar and examine with care;
see if there has ever been such a thing.

Has a nation changed its gods,
even though they are no gods?

But my people have changed their glory
for something that does not profit.

Be appalled, O heavens, at this,
be shocked, be utterly desolate,

says the LORD,

for my people have committed two evils:
they have forsaken me,
the fountain of living water,
and dug out cisterns for themselves,
cracked cisterns
that can hold no water.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

People

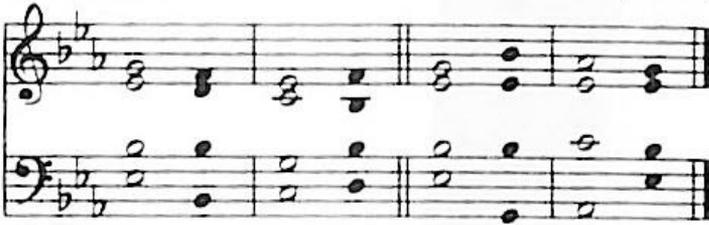
Thanks be to God.

The Congregation prays Psalm 81: 1,10-16.

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Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



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- ¹ Sing with joy to God our strength *
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- ¹⁰ I am the LORD your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, *
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
- ¹¹ And yet my people did not hear my voice, *
and Israel would not obey me.
- ¹² So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, *
to follow their own devices.
- ¹³ Oh, that my people would listen to me! *
that Israel would walk in my ways!
- ¹⁴ I should soon subdue their enemies *
and turn my hand against their foes.
- ¹⁵ Those who hate the LORD would cringe before him, *
and their punishment would last for ever.

The Minister proclaims the Gospel, first saying

Minister ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The appointed Gospel, Luke 14:1,7-14, is now proclaimed.

One sabbath when Jesus went to dine at the house of a ruler who belonged to the Pharisees, they were watching him. ... ⁷ Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he marked how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸ “When you are invited by any one to a marriage feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest a more eminent man than you be invited by him; ⁹ and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give place to this man,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, go up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹ For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.” ¹² He said also to the man who had invited him, “When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your kinsmen or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return, and you be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴ and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. You will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.”

After the Gospel, the Minister says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend John Talbert

The Nicene Creed

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The People stand as the Celebrant stands and all join in saying:

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 man.

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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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

All remain standing. A minister bids the prayers of the assembly. At the end of each petition the people say, "Hear our prayer." The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession of Sin

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is observed after which the Celebrant and People pray

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 Celebrant prays

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.

The Peace

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All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Preparation of the Gifts

The Congregation is seated and sings the Offertory Hymn

Offertory Hymn 372

Leoni

Praise to the living God!

The Congregation stands and sings the Presentation Hymn while the ushers bring forward the people's offerings of bread, wine, money and other gifts.

Hymn 11

Morning Hymn

Awake, my soul, and with the sun

The Great Thanksgiving

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The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Congregation sings Sanctus et benedictus.

Hymn S124

David Hurd (b. 1950)

Holy, holy, holy

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

The Celebrant continues

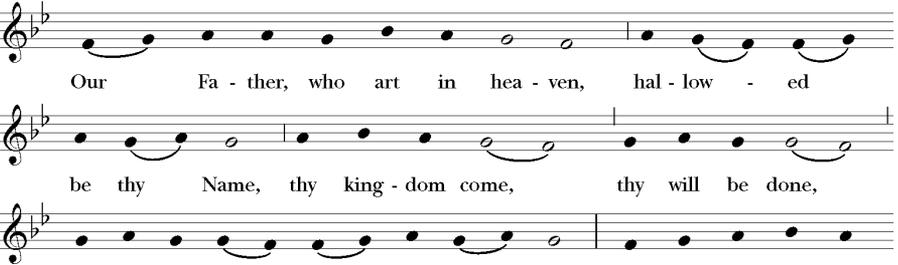
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. ✠ Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the ✠ unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **AMEN**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say



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 Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant says

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The congregation sings Agnus Dei.

Hymn S161

David Hurd (b. 1950)

Lamb of God

The Invitation

The Celebrant invites the people to receive the Holy Communion.

WE ARE ALL INVITED TO THE LORD'S TABLE

IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, all baptized persons are invited to share in receiving the Body and Blood of Our Lord. Persons not wishing to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

At the conclusion of the distribution of communion, the Congregation remains seated and sings the Post Communion Hymn

Hymn 339

Schmücke dich

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

Postcommunion Prayer

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The Congregation stands as the Celebrant returns to the altar. The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the People. The People respond

Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

The Congregation may be seated for the announcements. At the direction of the Celebrant, the Congregation stands to sing the retiring processional hymn

Hymn 376

Hymn of Joy

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

The Dismissal

The Celebrant dismisses the assembly, saying

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Our sisters and brothers in Christ: Mary Jones, 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 Igatherine Taylor, John Anderson, Betty
Boudreaux, Evi Valera, David Brunner, Mary Horner, 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,
Jacob Hester-Heard, Marcus Rich, Ross Hussmann, Ellis Garner,
Eric Mattoon.

SERVING IN TODAY'S LITURGY:

Celebrant..... Fr. John Talbert
Greeter Irene Yeager
First Lesson Lector..... Geri Moulton
Second Lesson Lector..... Mary Sheffield
Intercessor Janet Buckley
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Br. Jacob Luke & Lee Dorsey
Altar Guild.....Cindy Gass & Martha Jones
Vestry Tellers.....Janet Buckley & Nikki Shaw

THIS WEEK AT SAINT JOHN'S:

Today	10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Time in the Great Hall
	11:30AM	Monthly pot-luck in the Great Hall
	12:15PM	Vestry meeting in the Parlor
Wednesday	6:00PM	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	10:00AM	Morning Prayer: Thirteenth 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.

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