



The Sixteenth Sunday
after Pentecost
Year C, Proper 21

MORNING PRAYER

SEPTEMBER 25, 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
Louis Daniel
to the glory of God

RECENT ATTENDANCE:

40 Sunday, September 18, Fifteenth 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 48

Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

O day of radiant gladness

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. [*Psalm 19:14*]

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 Hallelujah!
Praise the LORD, | O my | soul! *
I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my | God while I | have my | being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any | child of | earth, *
—| for there | is no | help in them.
- 3 When they breathe their last, they re| turn to | earth, *
and in that | day their | **thoughts** | perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of | Jacob for their | help! *
Whose | hope is in the | LORD their | God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and | all that is | in them; *
who | keeps his | promise for | ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to | those who are op | pressed, *
and | food to | those who | hunger.
- 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the | eyes of the | blind; *
the LORD lifts up | those who are | **böwed** | down;
- 8 The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD | cares for the | stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but | frustrates the | way of the | wicked.
- 9 The LORD shall | reign for | ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all gene | rations. |
Halle | lujah!

THE LESSONS

The People are seated. The first Lesson, Amos 6:1a, 4-7, is now read

Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria. ... ⁴ Woe to those who lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the midst of the stall; ⁵ who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David invent for themselves instruments of music; ⁶ who drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷ Therefore they shall now be the first of those to go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves shall pass away.

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, 1 Timothy 6:6-19, is now read

There is great gain in godliness with contentment; ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world; ⁸ but if we have food and clothing, with these we shall be content. ⁹ But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is the root of all evils; it is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced their hearts with many pangs. ¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; aim at righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the presence of God who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, ¹⁴ I charge you to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ; ¹⁵ and this will be made manifest at the proper time by the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶ who alone has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no man has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. ¹⁷ As for the rich in this world, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on uncertain riches but on God who richly furnishes us with everything to enjoy. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good deeds, liberal and generous, ¹⁹ thus laying up for themselves a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life which is life indeed.

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 16:19-31 is now read.

Jesus said to the Pharisees, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, ²¹ who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. ²² The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; ²³ and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. ²⁴ And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' ²⁵ But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. ²⁶ And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' ²⁷ And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, ²⁸ for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹ But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' ³⁰ And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if some one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹ He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if some one should rise from the dead.'"

The Reader concludes

People The Word of the Lord.
 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

Tadman-Robins

Come down, O Love divine

THE PRAYERS

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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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O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 the Stewardship of Creation

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and remembering the account that we must give one day, grant that we may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, 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

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.*

The People remain standing and sing the Processional Hymn.

Processional Hymn 397

Nun danket alle Gott

Now thank we all our God

The Dismissal

A Minister dismisses the assembly, first saying,

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.

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: Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Time in the Great Hall
	11:30 AM	Monthly Pot-Luck in the Great Hall
Wednesday	6:00PM	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	10:00AM	Holy Eucharist: Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
	11:15AM	Fellowship time in the Great Hall

The church office is staffed from 9:00AM until 2:00PM on Tuesday and by appointment. 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.....	Janet Buckley
Second Lesson Lector.....	Geri Moulton
Third Lesson Lector.....	Mary Sheffield
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, 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,
Budd McLean, Mary Catherine Warren.

Our family and friends: Barbara Bonner, Nancy Jones, 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,
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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