



*The Eighteenth Sunday
after Pentecost
Year C, Proper 23*

MORNING PRAYER

OCTOBER 9, 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
Cindy Gass
to the glory of God.

RECENT ATTENDANCE:

XX Sunday, October 2, Seventeenth 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 699

Aberystwyth

Jesus, Lover of my soul

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

Preces

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All stand. The Officiant begins

Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*The Congregation sings the **Gloria Patri** found in the Insert.*

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!
I will give thanks to the Lord with my | **whöle** | heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, | in the | conger | gation.
- 2 Great are the | deeds of the | Lord! *
they are | studied by | all who de | light in them.
- 3 His work is full of | majesty and | splendor, *
and his | righteousness en | dures for | ever.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to | be re | membered; *
the Lord is | gracious and | full of com | passion.
- 5 He gives food to | those who | fear him; *
he is ever | mindful | of his | covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the | power of his | works *
in | giving them the | lands of the | nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are | faithfulness and | justice; *
all | his com | mandments are | sure.
- 8 They stand fast for | ever and | ever, *
because they are | done in | truth and | equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his | covenant for | ever; *
holy and | awesome | is his | Name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the be | ginning of | wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his | praise en | dures for | ever.

THE LESSONS

The People are seated. The first Lesson, 2 Kings 5:1-15c, is now read

Na'aman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the LORD had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. ² Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little maid from the land of Israel, and she waited on Na'aman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Sama'ria! He would cure him of his leprosy." ⁴ So Na'aman went in and told his lord, "Thus and so spoke the maiden from the land of Israel." ⁵ And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel." So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten festal garments. ⁶ And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Na'aman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy." ⁷ And when the king of Israel read the letter, he rent his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me." ⁸ But when Eli'sha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you rent your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Na'aman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the door of Eli'sha's house. ¹⁰ And Eli'sha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Na'aman was angry, and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place, and cure the leper. ¹² Are not Aba'na and Phar'par, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, if the prophet had commanded you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much rather, then, when he says to you, 'Wash, and be clean?'" ¹⁴ So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean. ¹⁵ Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and he came and stood before him; and he said, "Behold, I know that there is no God in all the earth but in Israel."

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

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



- 1 Blessèd 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 | oüt | 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, 2 Timothy 2:8-15, is now read

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descended from David, as preached in my gospel, ⁹ the gospel for which I am suffering and wearing fetters like a criminal. But the word of God is not fettered. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain salvation in Christ Jesus with its eternal glory. ¹¹ The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we shall also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we shall also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful -- for he cannot deny himself. ¹⁴ Remind them of this, and charge them before the Lord to avoid disputing about words, which does no good, but only ruins the hearers. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

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 17:11-19 is now read.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was passing along between Sama'ria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³ and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." ¹⁴ When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a

Sama'ritan. ¹⁷ Then said Jesus, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

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

White

A prayer of St. Richard of Chichester

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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Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 671

New Britain

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound

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: Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Time in the Great Hall
Wednesday	6:00PM	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	10:00AM	Holy Eucharist: Nineteenth 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.....	Mellissa Brown
Celebrant.....	Eugene Johnston
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

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:
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