



*The Twenty-third Sunday after
Pentecost
Year C, Proper 28*

HOLY EUCHARIST

NOVEMBER 13, 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
Pat and Jerry Fulford

RECENT ATTENDANCE:

37 Sunday, November 6: All Saints' Sunday

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 632

Munich

O Christ, the Word Incarnate

Opening Acclamation

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

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

Celebrant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

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.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; 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, Malachi 4:1-2a, is now read

For behold, the day comes, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ² But for you who fear my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Congregation prays Psalm 98.

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- ¹ Sing to the Lord a | **nēw** | song, *
for | he has done | marvelous | things.
- ² With his right hand and his | holy | arm *
has he | won for him | self the | victory.
- ³ The Lord has made | known his | victory; *
his righteousness has he
openly | shown in the | sight of the | nations.
- ⁴ He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the | house of
| Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the | victory | of our
| God.
- ⁵ Shout with joy to the Lord, | all you | lands; *
lift up your | voice, re | joice, and | sing.
- ⁶ Sing to the | Lord with the | harp, *
with the | harp and the | voice of | song.

- 7 With trumpets and the | sound of the | horn *
 shout with joy be | fore the | King, the | Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and | all that is | in it, *
 the lands and | those who | dwell there | in.
- 9 Let the rivers | clap their | hands, *
 and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
 when he | comes to | judge the | earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he | judge the | world *
 -- | and the | peoples with | equity.

The second lesson, 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13, is now read

Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is living in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸ we did not eat any one's bread without paying, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not burden any of you. ⁹ It was not because we have not that right, but to give you in our conduct an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: If any one will not work, let him not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work in quietness and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brethren, do not be weary in well-doing.

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

All Stand. The Cantor intones the Alleluia and the people repeat it. The cantor sings the versicle, after which the people sing the Alleluia.



Cantor Your word is a lantern to my feet *
 and a light upon my path.

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 21:5-19, is now proclaimed.

And as some spoke of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, Jesus said, ⁶ “As for these things which you see, the days will come when there shall not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” ⁷ And they asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign when this is about to take place?” ⁸ And he said, “Take heed that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not go after them. ⁹ And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified; for this must first take place, but the end will not be at once.” ¹⁰ Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences; and there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. ¹² But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name’s sake. ¹³ This will be a time for you to bear testimony. ¹⁴ Settle it therefore in your minds, not to meditate beforehand how to answer; ¹⁵ for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and kinsmen and friends, and some of you they will put to death; ¹⁷ you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your lives.

After the Gospel, the Minister says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Mary Alice Mathison

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 for the Choir Offertory

Offertory

S. Lole

O God of Mercy

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 440

Liebster Jesu

Blessed Jesus, at thy word

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

**Christ has died,
Christ has risen,
Christ will come again.**

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

The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of a series of quarter notes: G4, A4, Bb4, C5, D5, E5, F5, G5, followed by a half rest. This is followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, and a quarter note D4, all beamed together. The lyrics "Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed" are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

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 302*Rendez á Dieu*

Father, we thank thee who has planted

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 635***Wer bur den Lieben Gott*

If thou but trust in God to guide 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: Neva Bache, 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: Elizabeth Cruz, Barbara Bonner, Nancy
Jones, Igatherine Taylor, Betty Boudreaux, Evi Valera, David
Brunner, Mary Horner, Darrell Thaxton, 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, 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..... Rev. Mary Alice Mathison
GreeterConnie McLean
First Lesson Lector.....Nikki Shaw
Second Lesson Lector..... David Thompson
IntercessorBr. Jacob Luke
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Altar Guild..... Lee Dorsey & Kristen Turner
Vestry Tellers.....Connie McLean & Cindy Gass

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