



*The Last Sunday after
Pentecost
Christ the King
Year C, Proper 29*

MORNING PRAYER

NOVEMBER 20, 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
Connie & Bob Anderson
to the glory of God and
in celebration of their daughter Jennifer's birthday

RECENT ATTENDANCE:

31 Sunday, November 13, Twenty-third 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 388

Hanover

O worship the King

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 God is our refuge and | strength, *
a very | present | help in | trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be | moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled in | to the | depths of
the | sea;
- 3 Though its waters | rage and | foam, *
and though the mountains | tremble | at its | tumult.
- 4 The Lord of | hosts is | with us; *
the God of | Jacob | is our | stronghold.
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the | city of | God, *
the holy habi| tation of the | **Möst** | High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be | over| thrown; *
God shall | help her at the | break of | day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the | kingdoms are | shaken; *
God has spoken, and the | earth shall | melt a | way.
- 8 The Lord of | hosts is | with us; *
the God of | Jacob | is our | stronghold.
- 9 Come now and look upon the | works of the | Lord, *
what awesome | things he has | done on | earth.
- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in | all the | world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and | burns the | shields with | fire.
- 11 “Be still, then, and know that | I am | God; *
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be ex|alted | in the | earth.”
- 12 The Lord of | hosts is | with us; *
the God of | Jacob | is our | stronghold.

THE LESSONS

The People are seated. The first lesson, Jeremiah 23:1-6, is now read

“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” says the LORD. ² Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing,” says the LORD. ⁵ “Behold, the days are coming,” says the LORD, “when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.””

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The People stand and sing Canticle 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, Colossians 1:11-20, is now read

May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious
 might, for all endurance and patience with joy, ¹² giving thanks to
 the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the
 saints in light. ¹³ He has delivered us from the dominion of
 darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴
 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ He is the
 image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creation; ¹⁶ for in
 him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and
 invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or

authorities -- all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the first-born from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. ¹⁹ For in him all the fulness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

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 23:33-43 is now read.

When they came to the place which is called The Skull, there they crucified Jesus, and the criminals, one on the right and one on the left. ³⁴ And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching; but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him vinegar, ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹ And we indeed justly; for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³ And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Homily

Br. Jacob Luke

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,

Officiant 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

John Scott

Creator of the Stars of Night

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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Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 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 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 414

Stuttgart

God, my King, thy might confessing

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: Christ the King Sunday
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Time in the Great Hall
Wednesday	6:00PM	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	10:00AM	Holy Eucharist: First Sunday of Advent
	11:15AM	Fellowship Time in the Great Hall
	11:30AM	Pot-luck 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
Officiant.....	Br. Jacob Luke
First Lesson Lector.....	Gerri Moulton
Second Lesson Lector.....	Mary Sheffield
Third Lesson Lector.....	Janet Buckley
Altar Guild.....	Cindy Gass
Vestry Tellers.....	Janet Buckley & Nikki Shaw

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Our sisters and brothers in Christ: David Rich, Mary Jones,
Irene Yeager, Carolyn Pearce, Ashley Garris, Jerry Fulford,
James Christiansen, Audrey Garner, Joyce Lee, Jayson Chestang,
Budd McLean.

Our sisters and brothers that cannot be with us: Marian Boykin, 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,
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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:
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