

The Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takest away the sins of the world.

People: **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

Communion Verse Thou hast charged that we shall diligently keep thy commandments; O that my ways were made direct; that I might keep thy statutes.

Communion Anthem Dona Nobis Pacem Traditional
("Grant us Thy Peace." Anthem commemorating the 20th anniversary of 9/11)

Post-Communion Prayer Prayer Book p. 339

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Blessing & Dismissal Prayer Book p. 339

Procession 675 Take up your cross *Bourbon*

Master of Ceremonies, Thurifer: David Kennison

Cantor: Brian J. Taylor

Acolytes: Anne Kennison, J.J. Moran

Greeter: Lynn Paska

Lector: Jon Pearson

Counters: Jon Pearson & Carol Gaige

Altar guild: Barb Wengrovius

Sacristan: David & Anne Kennison 9/11

Anniversaries: Rich and Suzanne Unger 9/13

Mass is offered for the repose of the soul of Sally Harlow who will be interred in the All Souls Chapel following Mass today.

The flowers at the altar are given to the Greater Glory of Almighty God and in memory of Edward Weller, may his soul and those of all the departed rest in peace.

At the end of the month we will start over with this prayer list, if you would like a name included contact office@stgeorgesschenectady.org

The Sick and those in need: Larry P., Ed C., Nellie, Peggy, Daria, Peter, Theresa, Gail, Robert T., Richard, Jessica, Christian, Jesse, Judith S, Marasella, Bob K, John C., James, Bill, Judy, Layla, and Sarah K

Morning Prayer: Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 a.m.

Evening Prayer: Tuesday & Thursday 5:00 p.m.

PARISH NOTICES

Refreshments will be served outdoors on the Great Hall patio. Please join us for a time of fellowship.

Back to Church Sunday Join us following Mass on September 19th to enjoy some refreshments, celebrate the launch of our Fall season and to hear about opportunities to get involved here at Saint George's.

Shape Note Singing All are welcome to sing in the Great Hall every week, sometimes on Saturday afternoons and sometimes on Wednesday evenings. For the complete schedule or more information, please contact Tarik Wareh or visit albanysacredharp.org

Theology on Tap Join us on Thursday September 30th at the Van Dyck Restaurant and lounge to discuss the question of Angels. Do you have questions about these mysterious heavenly beings? Can modern people believe in them? Do you believe that you or someone you know has encountered an Angel? What does the Bible and Church tradition teach?

Saint Francis Animal Blessing Bring along your favorite animal friends and Join us in our memorial garden for a brief service of prayer and blessing, 3pm on October 10th. The service honors the great Saint Francis of Assisi who is celebrated for his humility, devotion to Christ, and love for all creatures.

Little Red Wagon Sunday/ SICM collection: We are taking donations of non perishable food for our next collection on October 10. Hearty soups, healthy snacks, pasta, hygiene items, etc. You may also contribute a check by placing it in the offering plate.

All On the Same Page The members of St. George's book club are doing some independent reading and will next convene on October 17 after Mass to discuss what they have read and begin planning the reading roster for 2022. New members are always welcome. Please contact Meg Hughes at (518) 694-1550 if you have questions.

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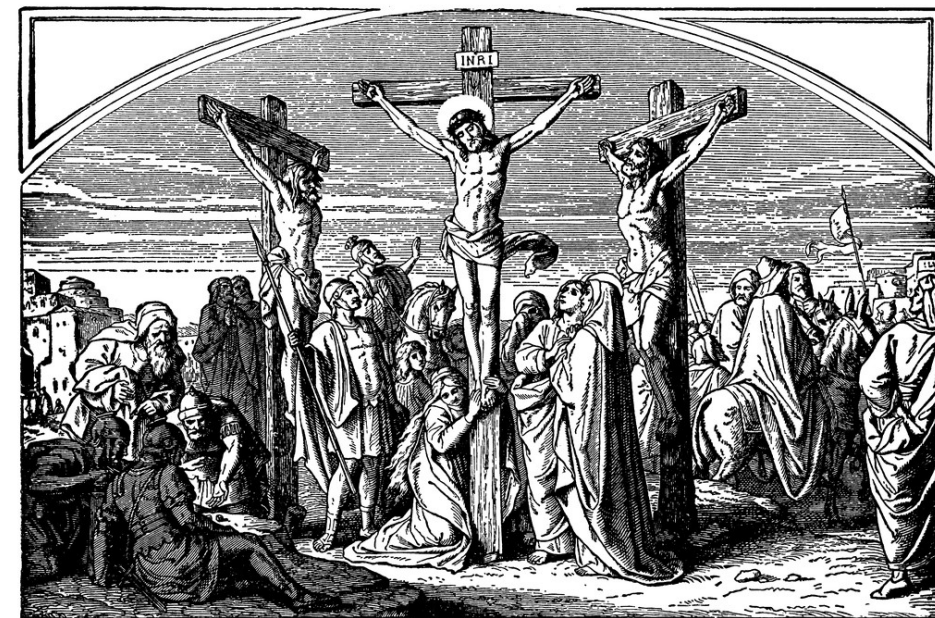
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St. George's Episcopal Church

in the heart of the historic Stockade District



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, 12 September 2021

Holy Eucharist — Rite I,

The Rev'd Canon Matthew Stromberg, Celebrant
Dr Brian J. Taylor AAGO, Director of Music Ministry

Mass Setting: Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena Healey Willan 1880–1968

Procession 410 Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven *Lauda Anima*

Introit Now it is time to awake out of sleep; the night is far spent; the day is at hand. Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people.

Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity Prayer Book p. 323

Summary of the Law Prayer Book p. 324

Kyrie eleison Hymnal, S 91

Lord have mercy upon us (3x)

Christ have mercy upon us (3x)

Lord have mercy upon us (3x)

Gloria in excelsis Hymnal, S 202

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen

The Collect of the Day

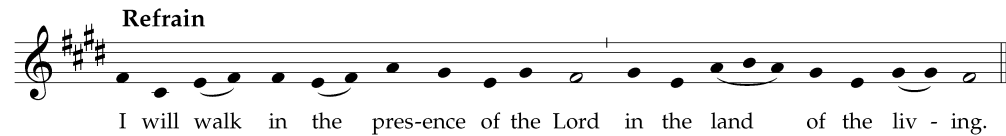
O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson Please be seated Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens--wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1-8 *Dilexi, quoniam*



1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, * because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; * I came to grief and sorrow.

3 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: * "O Lord, I pray you, save my life." **℟**

4 Gracious is the Lord and righteous; * our God is full of compassion.

5 The Lord watches over the innocent; * I was brought very low, and he helped me. **℟**

6 Turn again to your rest, O my soul, * for the Lord has treated you well.

7 For you have rescued my life from death, * my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling. **℟**

The Second Lesson James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Any-one who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Lector The Word of the Lord
People **Thanks be to God.**



Cantor : Lord thou hast been our refuge; from one generation to another.

The Holy Gospel Please stand. Mark 8:27-38

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Sermon The Rector

The Nicene Creed Said by all, standing. Prayer Book p. 326

I believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People *Please kneel.* Prayer Book p. 328

The Confession & Absolution *Said by all.* Prayer Book p. 330

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in

newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Peace
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

Greeting & Announcements

Offertory Verse: Though I walk in the midst of trouble; yet shalt thou refresh me O Lord. Thou shalt stretch forth thy right hand upon mine enemies; and thy right hand shall save me.

Offertory Hymn 522 Glorious things of thee are spoken *Austria*

Sursum corda Hymnal, S 112

Celebrant The Lord be with you

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Preface: Prayer Book p. 333

Sanctus & Benedictus Sung by all. Hymnal, S 114

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Eucharistic Prayer I Prayer Book p. 335

The Lord's Prayer Sung by all. Hymnal, S 119

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Agnus Dei Sung by all. Hymnal, S 158

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.**

The Prayer of Humble Access Said by all.

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.