

Morning Prayer and Sharing of the Lord's Table



July 21, 2024 – Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

St. George's Church Glenn Dale, Maryland - The Episcopal Diocese of Washington

Prelude: *Adagio Cantabile*

Music: Beethoven

Words of Welcome and explanation

This morning we celebrate a service of Morning Prayer and Communion with elements that have been pre-consecrated. For some of you, this might be a familiar service; for others it may be a new experience as you wonder, what on earth is a canticle? Today's service will also include periods of silence. We invite you to join in this morning's worship as we recognize God's presence among us in prayer and song.

Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #7 *Christ whose glory fills the skies*

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Ratisbon* from *Geystliche gesangh Buchleyn*, 1524

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Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ the true, the on - ly Light,
Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!



Sun of Right - eous - ness, a - rise! Tri - umph o'er the shades of night;
joy - less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;



Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

Invitatory

Officiant: *I rejoiced when they said to me,
"We shall go to the house of the Lord."*

People: **To give thanks and to praise God,
Who has loved me ever since my youth.**

Officiant: *I will sing out my joy and love.*

People: **I will praise you, my God, with the harp.**

Officiant: *Open now our lips, O God*

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Sources: This service is based on the Book of Common Prayer, pp. 75 – 102 and pp. 396-399. The text for Psalm 23 is from the Community of Saint Francis Office Book and the Canticle, A Song of Christ's Goodness is from Enriching Our Worship.. The Collect for Morning is from the Breviary of St. Helena. The Prayer of Confession is from A Franciscan Agape Feast developed by the Joint Committee on Franciscan Unity.

Canticle - The Jubilate—Psalm 100: *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

Words: Adapted from William Kethe (d. 1608) in Hymnal 1982 #377.

Music: *Old 100th* from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551. Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheer - ful voice:
Know that the Lord is God, in - deed; with - out our aid God made us all:
O en - ter then these gates with praise. Ap - proach with joy God's courts un - to;
For why? the Ho - ly One is good; God's mer - cy is for ev - er sure.



And serve with mirth, God's praise now tell, come all be - fore God and re-joice.
We are the loved ones God does feed as shep-herds care for sheep they call.
praise, laud, and bless his Name al-ways, for it is seem-ly so to do.
God's truth at all times firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en-dure.

Officiant: Glory to God, Source of all being, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit;

People: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Please be seated as we pray the psalm

Psalm 23

All: God is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

You make me lie down in green pastures
and lead me beside still waters.

You revive my soul
and guide me along right pathways for your Name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Most High forever.

Glory to God, Source of all being, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

All: God is my shepherd I shall not be in want.

Please be seated to enter a brief period of silent reflection and remain seated for the readings. You are invited to stand as you are able for the canticles or hymns that follow the lessons..

First Lesson:

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD.

Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely 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. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

We invite you to remain seated for a few moments of silent reflection and then to stand as you are able for the canticle..

Canticle: A Song of Christ's Goodness *Anselm of Canterbury*

Jesus, as a mother you gather your people to you; *
you are gentle with us as a mother with her children.

Often you weep over our sin and our pride; *
tenderly you draw us from hatred and judgment.

You comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds; *
in sickness you nurse us and with pure milk you feed us.

Jesus, by your dying we are born to new life; *
by your anguish and labor we come forth in joy.

Despair turns to hope through your sweet goodness; *
through your gentleness, we find comfort in fear.

Your warmth gives life to the dead, *
your touch makes sinners righteous.

Lord Jesus in your mercy, heal us; *
in your love and tenderness, remake us.

In your compassion, bring grace and forgiveness,*
for the beauty of heaven, may your love prepare us.

**Glory to God, Source of all being, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Please be seated for the reading.

Second Lesson: Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

The disciples gathered around Jesus, and they told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves.

Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As Jesus went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and Jesus began to teach them many things.

[After this, they once again entered their boat to cross on the Sea of Galilee.] When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

After a few moments of silence please stand as you are able to join in singing the canticle/hymn.

Canticle/Hymn: Gather #642 Healer of Our Every Ill

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Refrain



Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,
give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



You who know our fears and sad - ness, Grace us with your
In the pain and joy be - hold - ing, How your grace is
Give us strength to love each oth - er, Ev - 'ry sis - ter,
You who know each thought and feel - ing, Teach us all your



peace and glad - ness, Spir - it of all com - fort: fill our hearts.
still un - fold - ing, Give us all your vi - sion: God of love.
ev - 'ry bro - ther, Spir - it of all kind - ness: be our guide.
way of heal - ing, Spir - it of com - pas - sion: fill each heart.

Sermon: Terry Doyle, TSSF

Please stand as you are able to affirm our faith.

Affirmation of Faith

As children of God, we affirm:

That God, who is Love, created all and called it good, that God is present with all of creation, and that, in darkness and in light, God is faithful; therefore we, too, seek to be faithful.

That Jesus came to show us Love with a human face, that he taught justice and reconciliation and suffered on our behalf, and that through his faithful example, he embodies hope; therefore we, too, seek to be people of justice, reconciliation, and hope.

That the Holy Spirit guides and accompanies us, that this same Spirit offers wisdom and discernment, and that, when we are open, the Spirit can always find a way; therefore, we seek to be people filled with God's Spirit: discerning, loving and transforming our world. Amen.

The Prayers

Officiant: May God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Show us your mercy, O God;
And grant us your salvation.
Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
Let your people sing with joy.
Give peace in all the world;
For only in you can we live in safety.
Keep this nation under your care;
And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
Let your way be known upon earth;
Your saving health among all nations.
Let not the needy be forgotten;
Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Create in us clean hearts, O God;
And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day: God of the storm's still eye: when we are overwhelmed by pressures and demands which cut us off from life, take us to a place apart where we might find again our true heart's center, our far horizon, the silence that awaits a world where we can breathe; through Jesus Christ, who brings us near to you. **Amen.**

A Collect for Morning: O Christ, our true and only Light: Receive our morning prayers and illumine the secrets of our hearts with your healing goodness, that no evil desires may possess us who are made new in the light of your heavenly grace through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

O God, in Jesus you came to us as the bread of life. You feed the hungry yearning for food to nourish the soul and the body. You calmed the waters and visit us in our storms: Give ear to your people as we pray, saying: **Bless us anew with your presence and hear our prayers.**

O God, in Jesus you came to us in the manner of a shepherd, showing care and compassion for a flock in need of true and faithful leadership. Give us responsibility to govern and lead. We pray that all in authority may use their power justly and care for all. **Bless us anew with your presence and hear our prayers.**

O God, as Jesus sent his disciples to teach, heal, and care for all people, you call us to be your church. Grace us the church with the ability to know and comprehend the breadth and height and depth of Jesus' love, and that your power at work within us may accomplish abundantly far more than we can ask or imagine. We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Sean our Presiding Bishop-Elect, Mariann our Bishop, Connie our rector, and the community of St. George's. **Bless us anew with your presence and hear our prayers.**

O God, in the ministry of Jesus and the disciples that he called and sent out, you taught us to care for the least among us. We pray for all who are hungry, for those who are poor, for those caught in violence and war, and for those experiencing homelessness. We pray especially for the people of Gaza, of Haiti, of Sudan, of Ukraine, and other places of conflict. In every place of terror, may you bring comfort and security. **Bless us anew with your presence and hear our prayers.**

O God, through Jesus we know that any who sought healing were made whole. With your generous touch, bring wholeness to those for whom we pray, for those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now. *The people may add their own petitions.* **Bless us anew with your presence and hear our prayers.**

O God, Jesus said that we are to receive the reign of God as a child and so you gather up the lives of your children. You bless us with joy and celebration. Accept our gratitude for the abundance of your grace, especially for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and for other blessings of this life. *The people may add their own petitions.* **Bless us anew with your presence and hear our prayers.**

O God, as Jesus told his disciples that he had come not to be served but to serve, and to give his life with the sure knowledge of the resurrection, we know that you receive into your fullness all who have died. We pray for those whom we love but see no longer, and we pray for those who mourn. *The people may add their own petitions.* **Bless us anew with your presence and hear our prayers.**

Prayer of Confession

Officiant: Salt is good, but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season with it?

People: Giving God, you blessed us with saltiness, but we became bland.

Officiant: You trusted us with your word,

People: but we did not keep it.

Officiant: You lit a flame in our midst,

People: but we smothered it with our fear.

Officiant: God in your mercy:

People: Forgive us.

Silent Confession: *(Please take a moment of silence.)*

Officiant: Forgiving God, we believe that you have been called us to be salt and light,

People: that you offer us time and space and strength to be healed and begin again.

ALL: Giving and forgiving God, we thank you, may we all be blessed anew with saltiness, and shine with your light that we might be at peace within ourselves, and with one another. Amen.

The Peace

Officiant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Blessings for Birthdays and Anniversaries

(Be Seated) O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we prayer, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

Sharing of the Lord's Table



Presentation of Gifts

Although St. George's no longer physically "passes the basket" everyone is invited and encouraged to make a financial offering to express your gratitude to God for the gifts we are given and in support of our mission and ministries. Baskets for donations by check or cash are located at the corner entrances to the Sanctuary. We encourage you to give electronically: you can text* stgeodragon to 73256, use a web browser to go to onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/give, or donate via Zelle to donations@stgeorgesglennedale.org. (*For texts, message and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.)

Please stand as you are able. As we sing the Offertory Hymn bring cards on which you have written your prayers to the altar.

Offertory Hymn: Gather #349 *Come to the Water*

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O let all who thirst, let them come to the wa-ter. And let all who have
And let all who seek, let them come to the wa-ter. And let all who have
And let all who toil, let them come to the wa-ter. And let all who are
And let all the poor, let them come to the wa-ter. Bring the ones who are



no - thing, let them come to the Lord: With - out mon - ey, with - out price.
no - thing, let them come to the Lord: With - out mon - ey, with - out strife.
wea - ry, let them come to the Lord: All who la - bor, with - out rest.
la - den, bring them all to the Lord: Bring the chil - dren with - out might.



Why should you pay the price, ex - cept for the Lord?
Why should you spend your life, ex - cept for the Lord?
How can your soul find rest, ex - cept for the Lord?
Eas - y the load and light: come to the Lord.

Collect for Communion

Almighty God, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Officiant: Let us now share the words our Lord taught us:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Sacramental Words

The Officiant continues:

Beloved in Christ, the Gospel tells us that Jesus welcomed all who dined with him into a fellowship of joy, love, liberation and forgiveness; and that on the first day of the week Jesus Christ was raised from death and appeared to Mary Magdalene. Later on that same day, he sat at the table with two disciples, and was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the joyful feast of the people of God. Come all who hunger and thirst, from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and gather about Christ's table.

The Officiant then says:

Mindful that not all are present physically to receive the sacrament, we pray with those who receive spiritual Holy Communion this day:

Lord Jesus, in union with your faithful people, we offer to you our praise and thanks. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we pray that you come spiritually into our hearts. Strengthen us with your grace, O Lord, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

This table is for all who wish to know the presence of Christ and to share in the community of God's people.

Wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are invited to receive the Holy Communion. Whatever you believe or don't believe, you are welcome at this table. For this is Christ's table, and all are welcome.

The bread and wine for our Holy Communion today has been pre-consecrated.

If you would prefer not to receive the Eucharist, you are welcome to come up for a blessing; cross your hands to your shoulders to indicate this.

Communion Hymn 1: Hymnal 1982 #645 *The King of love my shepherd is*

verses 1-2, 4-6 Words: Henry William Baker (1821-1877). Music: *St. Columba*, Irish Melody
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The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness fail - eth nev - er,
Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran-somed soul He lead - eth,
In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with Thee, dear Lord, be - side me,
Thou spread'st a ta - ble in my sight; thy unc - tion grace be - stow - eth;
And so through all the length of days, thy good-ness fail - eth nev - er.



I no - thing lack if I am His, and He is mine for - e - ver.
and where the ver - dant pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
Thy rod and staff my com - fort still; Thy cross be - fore to guide me.
and oh, what trans - port of de - light from thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!
Good Shep - herd, may I sing Thy praise with - in Thy house for - ev - er.



Communion Hymn 2: Gather #526 *Peace is Flowing Like a River*

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Peace is flow-ing like a riv - er, Flow-ing out through you and me;



Flow-ing out in-to the des - ert, Set-ting all the cap-tives free.

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| 2. Joy is flowing like a river, | 3. Faith is flowing like a river, |
| 4. Hope is flowing like a river, | 5. Love is flowing like a river, |

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, 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 Christ's 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #657 *Love divine, all loves excelling*

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Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell-ing, joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Come, al - might-y to de - li - ver, let us all thy life re - ceive;
Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let us be;



fix in us thy hum - ble dwell-ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave.
let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee;



Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;
Thee we would be al - way bless-ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,
changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heaven we take our place,



vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem-bling heart.
pray, and praise thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
till we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won-der, love, and praise.

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all forevermore. **Amen.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Holy One.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude: *Intermezzo in A-major*

Music: Brahms