

GOOD MORNING & WELCOME

Welcome to everyone joining us for worship this morning. Whether or not you consider yourselves members of this congregation, we are glad you are here. If the flow of worship should seem unfamiliar to you, relax and let God's presence envelop you, without a worry about when to stand, sit or kneel. If you are new to St. John's, please sign our guest register.

Please silence all cell phones and other noise-making devices before the start of the service. Thank you.

The Rev. Nathan Carr – Vicar
The Rev. William Font – Priest Associate
The Rev. Lisa Chronister – Deacon
Cynthia Cortright D.M.A. – Organist / Choir Director
Daisy Leyva-Lara – Children's Coordinator

Serving Today:

Cantor – Doug Rogez
Greeters / Oblationers – Barbie Garrison, Paul
and Sarah Kramer
Lay Readers / Chalice Bearers – Rosemary Rodgers,
Patricia Riden, and Dana Billingsley
Acolytes – Olive Kate Carr, Charley Kolb,
Graham Newberry, and Finn Newberry
Children's Activities – Volunteers

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Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost – Year A

Rite II - Holy Eucharist & Hymns - October 29, 2023 - 10:15 AM

The Word of God

Prelude

Celebrant

Let us go forth in peace

People

In the name of Christ, Amen

Processional

The Hymnal, #362



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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. 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.**

Choral Anthem We Wait for Thy Loving Kindness St. John's Choir

William McVie

We wait for Thy loving kindness, O God: in the midst of Thy temple.

Alleluva

O God, according to Thy Name, so is Thy praise unto the world's end. Alleluya

Thy right hand is full of righteousness:
Alleluya

We wait for Thy loving kindness, O God: in the midst of Thy temple. Lord send us now prosperity. Amen

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

We Proclaim and Respond to the Word of God

The First Lesson Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 Domine, refugium

1 Lord, you have been our **refuge** * from one generation to an**other**.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, * from age to age you are God.

3 You turn us back to the dust and say, * "Go back, O child of earth."

- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is **past** * and like a watch in the **night**.
- 5 You sweep us away like a **dream**; * we fade away suddenly like the **grass**.
- 6 In the morning it is green and **flourishes**; * in the evening it is dried up and **withered**.
- 13 Return, O Lord; how long will you **tarry?** * be gracious to your **servants**.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the **morning**; * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our **life**.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us * and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your **works** * and your splendor to their **children**.
- 17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be **upon** us; * prosper the work of our hands; prosper our **handiwork**.

The Second Lesson 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we

care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn The Hymnal, #490

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.[Refrain]

2 I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. [Refrain] 3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.

I want to be with Jesus.

When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. [Refrain]

Refrain:

In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 22:34-46

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet"?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord. **People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon The Rev. Nathan Carr

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

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

Form I BCP 383

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For Poulson our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Joe our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Oklahoma City, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, including all on our prayer list and Susan; Jack; Audrey; Sahar; and Will, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially Gabriell Mechelle Satterfield let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord. Remembering most especially those affected by the conflict in Israel.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People say together.

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 adds a concluding Collect.

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 Celebrant may add sentences from scripture.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Prayer of Rededication

Leader and People say together.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of the universe. Your gifts are many, and in wisdom you have made all things to give you glory. Be with us now and bless us as we rededicate our use of this space to your praise and honor. As often as we worship you here, precede us and abide with us. Be known to us in the Word spoken and heard, in fellowship with one another, and in the breaking of bread. Give us joy in all your works, and grant that this space may continue to be a place where your will is done and your name is glorified; through Jesus Christ our Savior, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

Blessing Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray, on all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace; strengthen their trust in your goodness, and in their hearts may your peace, which passes understanding, abide all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

Offertory Anthem Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence Gustav Holst

The St John's Choir

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthly minded for with blessing in his hand, Christ our Lord is earth descendeth our full homage to demand.

King of Kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth He stood, Lord of Lords, in human vesture in the Body and the Blood He will give to all the faithful His own Self for Heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way As the light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day That the pow'rs of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At His feet the six-winged seraph; Cherubim with sleepless eye, Veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya Lord most High. Amen

Doxology

The Hymnal, #380 (Verse 3)

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or 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.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.
Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in

subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei The Hymnal, S163

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

We Share the Gifts of God

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn

The Hymnal, #517



Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Let us pray.

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.

Sending Out of the Lay Eucharist Visitors

Celebrant or Deacon: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that

those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and

blood.

People: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread and one

cup.

Oh God, the strength of all who put their trust in you, we ask you so to bless and hallow this Nave and these your people, fashioned in honor of blessed St. John the Apostle, that all who worship here with devotion may have strength and courage to follow His holy example. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Recessional The Hymnal, #473

1. Led on their way by this triumphant sign, the hosts of God in conquering ranks

3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw the world to

combine. [Refrain] thee. [Refrain]

2. Each newborn servant of the Crucified 4 So shall our song of triumph ever be: bears on the brow the seal of him who died. praise to the Crucified for victory.

[Refrain] [Refrain]

Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred Name.

Dismissal Response: Thanks be to God

Postlude

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please hold these souls in your ongoing prayers:

Audrey
Steven Barnes
Beverly Bradley
Bob
Braiden
Lewis Honor Carr
Nancy Carr
Sue Collins
Sir Michael Dawson
Stephanie Dunham
Dru
Ed

Sharon Ellington
Jim Freeman
Tom Freeman
Myrna Gowman
John Greiner
Steve Hammontree

Aimee Hanneman

Dr. J Jack Jessica Judd Drew Kolb Sarah Kramer Jean Ledet & Chad

Dixon Denys Lenets Kara Lynn Ron Marlett Tony Marruchella

Mary

Leland Mayo Betty & Delbert Millican and Ryan Lightfoot

Trish Morgan
Christina Morris
Paul Mosier
Deborah Nelson
Joy Nelson
The Nichols Family

Pam

Babette Patton Patty

Penny Peter Monte Pratt Mathew Reynolds Kathleen Rhodes Rob, Ruthie and Samuel

Adrienne Robertson

Sahar Seth

Betty Sinclair Family of Kenneth

Sosna

John Steward and Lee DeWitt Martha Steward Nancy Steward

Susan

Sydney and Troy Ed Tebow Sarah Tracy Tyler and Dru Donna Walters Mary Jo Watson

Will

Pat Westervelt Ginny Wynn

Altar Gifts

Today's altar flowers are given by Peggy Cummings in memory of Doug Cummings on his birthday.

Altar flowers are now reserved through the end of the year.

We do need donors for the sanctuary candles both this year and next.

Suggested donation for the
for the sanctuary candle is \$10.

Birthdays This Week

23 – Jamie Leal

28 - Sherry Rowan

28 – Ross Johnson

30 – Amy Newberry

Fall Services and Events

TODAY - Sunday, October 29, following service – Let's all meet up for a St. John's Community Lunch at Johnnies Charcoal Broiler on Britton Rd. **Be there or be square!**

Wednesday, November 1, 7:00 pm – Evensong and Reception to honor the St. John's Choir Thursday, November 2, 5:30 pm – All Souls Day Evening Eucharist Sunday, November 5 – All Saints Worship Service with reading of remembrances Saturday, November 11, 8:00 am – Brotherhood of St. Andrew Sunday, November 12, following morning worship - Healing Service with Holy Unction at the Altar Rail

Saturday, November 18, 9:30 to noon – Volunteer Event at Regional Food Bank Sunday, November 19, following morning worship –

Birthday Party for Nema Maney in the WD Hall – all are invited to help Nema celebrate her birth

Thursday, November 23 – Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 24 – Office Closed for Holiday
Sunday, November 26, following morning worship – Advent Event
Thursday, November 30, 5:30 pm -- Feast of St Andrew the Apostle

REMINDER: Complete the enclosed form with the names of persons you would like remembered on All Saints Day (names to be read on Nov. 5). Place the form in the offertory plate. Or send names to stjohnsokc@yahoo.com no later than end of business day on Monday, Oct. 30.

Current needs for Teacher's Toolbox: We need Play Doh!

The Stewardship campaign will begin on November 5. Would you be interested in giving a testimonial about your pledge/annual giving and what it means to you? We are looking for three persons to offer their message to the congregation, one each of three Sundays, Nov. 5, 12 or 19. If you are willing to speak, please contact Fr. Nate this week.