

# Welcome to St. John's Church



*Landscape with Temple in Ruin, Caspar David Friedrich, 1797, private collection*

## The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost:

*July 21, 2024*

*8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.*

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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

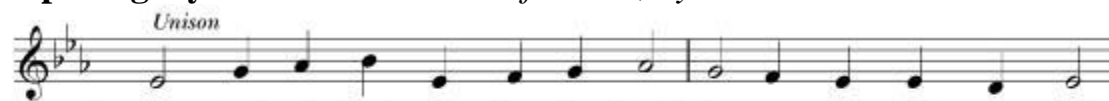
*The Liturgy for the Proclamation of the Word of God  
and Celebration of the Holy Communion*

## Organ Prelude


## The Call to Worship with the tolling of the church bell

## Opening Hymn # 709 *O God of Bethel, by whose hand*

*Unison*



1 O God of Beth - el, by whose hand thy peo - ple still are fed;  
2 Our vows, our prayers, we now pre - sent be - fore thy throne of grace;  
3 Through each per - plex - ing path of life our wan - dering foot - steps guide;  
4 O spread thy shel - tering wings a - round, till all our wan - derings cease,  
5 Such bless - ings from thy gra - cious hand our hum - ble prayers im - plore;




1 who through this earth - ly pil - grim - age hast all thine Is - rael led:  
2 O God of Is - rael, be the God of this suc - ceed - ing race.  
3 give us each day our dai - ly bread, and rai - ment fit pro - vide.  
4 and at our Fa - ther's loved a - bode our souls ar - rive in peace!  
5 and thou shalt be our cov - enant God and por - tion ev - er - more.


*Harmony (the melody is in the tenor)*



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*The people standing, the Celebrant may say*

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* ***Glory to God for ever and ever.***

*The Celebrant says*

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 Trisagion S # 102**

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The image shows a musical score for 'The Trisagion S # 102'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The first system contains the lyrics 'Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,'. The second system contains the lyrics 'Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.' The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines in the bass register.

### **The Collect of the Day**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

God be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the Collect.*

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

### **The Readings**

*INTRODUCTION: In our Hebrew Bible lesson, the enemies of David have been subdued and David turns his thoughts to building a temple to the Lord.*

## **A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel (7:1-14)**

When the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, “See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.” Nathan said to the king, “Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you.” But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?” Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

*After each Reading, the Reader may say*

**The Word of the Lord.**

*People*      ***Thanks be to God.***

## **Psalm 89:20-37**

*the congregation is invited to join in reciting the Psalm*

***20 I have found David my servant; \*  
with my holy oil have I anointed him.***

***21 My hand will hold him fast \*  
and my arm will make him strong.***

***22 No enemy shall deceive him, \*  
nor any wicked man bring him down.***

***23 I will crush his foes before him \*  
and strike down those who hate him.***

- 24 My faithfulness and love shall be with him, \*  
and he shall be victorious through my Name.*
- 25 I shall make his dominion extend \*  
from the Great Sea to the River.*
- 26 He will say to me, 'You are my Father, \*  
my God, and the rock of my salvation.'*
- 27 I will make him my firstborn \*  
and higher than the kings of the earth.*
- 28 I will keep my love for him for ever, \*  
and my covenant will stand firm for him.*
- 29 I will establish his line for ever \*  
and his throne as the days of heaven.' "*
- 30 "If his children forsake my law \*  
and do not walk according to my judgments;*
- 31 If they break my statutes \*  
and do not keep my commandments;*
- 32 I will punish their transgressions with a rod \*  
and their iniquities with the lash;*
- 33 But I will not take my love from him, \*  
nor let my faithfulness prove false.*
- 34 I will not break my covenant, \*  
nor change what has gone out of my lips.*
- 35 Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: \*  
'I will not lie to David.*
- 36 His line shall endure for ever \*  
and his throne as the sun before me;*
- 37 It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon, \*  
the abiding witness in the sky.' "*

*INTRODUCTION: This passage is a celebration of the new community of a unified humanity which God has formed and built up through Christ Jesus.*

### **A Reading from Ephesians (2:11-22)**

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision” —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being

aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

*After each Reading, the Reader may say*

The Word of the Lord.

People

***Thanks be to God.***

**Gradual Hymn # 533** *How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise*

1 How won - drous and great thy works, God of praise!  
 2 To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown;

How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!  
 their wor - ship and vows shall come to thy throne;

O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?  
 thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,



*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

*INTRODUCTION: In the Gospel reading, Jesus proclaims in word and sign that the Son of Man is sovereign over the sabbath law.*

**The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ  
according to St. Mark (6:30-34, 53-56))**

*People            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and 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 he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. 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.

*After the Gospel, the Reader says  
The Gospel of the Lord.*

*People            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

**The Sermon**                      The Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Hahneman, Priest-in-Charge

**The Apostles’ Creed**

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

***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.*

### **The Prayers of the People**

Let us offer our prayers in the Name of Jesus, the righteous branch of David's line, responding to each petition by saying, "O Lord, hear our prayer."

#### **The congregation may wish to sit or kneel for the prayers**

+ In thanksgiving for those who tend to the needs of the sick and suffering; may they minister from the strength of Christ's healing power, and reveal the light of hope that never fades away; for this we pray.

***O Lord, hear our prayer.***

+ In thanksgiving for the faithful departed, who revealed God's goodness and mercy to their children and their children's children; may they dwell in the house of the Lord forever; for this we pray.

***O Lord, hear our prayer.***

+ In thanksgiving for the gift of our baptismal calling; may we rehearse the vows we have made and live into their promises; for this we pray.

***O Lord, hear our prayer.***

+ In thanksgiving for our President, the senators and members of Congress of our state, and all who serve the common good of our country and the peoples of the world; may they strive for righteousness and justice in their important and far-reaching decisions; for this we pray.

***O Lord, hear our prayer.***

+ In thanksgiving for those women and men who bear witness to the faith through Episcopal and Anglican religious orders; may there be an increase in vocations to this way of life, and may they continue to witness God's sacrificial love; for this we pray.

***O Lord, hear our prayer.***

+ In thanksgiving for the beauty and mystery of the universe, its brilliant array of



color, and its awe-inspiring movement of things beyond our imagination; for this we pray.

***O Lord, hear our prayer.***

As members of the household of faith, and citizens of God's kingdom, let us continue our prayers and petitions.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

### **Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.***

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, time for true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

### **The Peace**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of God be always with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

### **The Holy Communion**

*The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with one of the sentences of Scripture.*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,  
an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

**Offertory Hymn # 380**

*From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let  
 2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and  
 \*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's  
 truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from  
 him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!  
 shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.  
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## The Great Thanksgiving

God 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 God.*

*People It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

***Glory to you for ever and ever.***

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

***By your will they were created and have their being.***

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

***Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.***

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

***By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.***

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

### Sanctus S # 125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

***The congregation may wish to sit or kneel for the consecration prayer***

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy

Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

***We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

***Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.***

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. ***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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept. Then may be said*

We break this bread  
to share in the Body of Christ.  
***We who are many are one body,  
for we all share in the one bread.***

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation.*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

***All baptized Christians of all ages and denominations are welcome to receive Communion in this place. This is God's house and the Lord's table, not ours***

*INSTRUCTIONS: Those wishing to receive Communion should come forward to the Altar rail as directed. Please speak with an Usher if you need to receive Communion in the pew. The consecrated host will be placed in the hands or upon the tongue of the recipient, as desired. If one wishes intinction, then either the chalice bearer or the communicant may take the host and dip it in the wine. Otherwise, communicants may sip from the chalice, assisting by taking hold of its base. If the communicant does not wish to receive the wine, one can simply cross their arms across their chest so to indicate.*

*Gluten free wafers are available. Just ask at the altar rail if you wish one.*

*If you need to receive Communion in the pews, just let the usher know.*

**Communion Hymn # 302**      *Father, we thank thee who hast planted*

1 Fa - ther, we thank thee who hast plant - ed thy ho - ly Name with -  
2 Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mer - cy, save it from e - vil,

in our hearts. Know - ledge and faith and life im - mor - tal Je - sus thy  
guard it still, per - fect it in thy love, u - nite it, cleansed and con -

Son to us im-parts. Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy plea - sure,  
 formed un-to thy will. As grain, once scat - tered on the hill - sides,  
 didst give us food for all our days, giv - ing in Christ the  
 was in this bro - ken bread made one, so from all lands thy  
 Bread e - ter - nal; thine is the power, be thine the praise.  
 Church be gath - ered in - to thy king - dom by thy Son.

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

***Loving God,  
 we give you thanks  
 for restoring us in your image  
 and nourishing us with spiritual food  
 in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.  
 Now send us forth  
 a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;  
 that we may proclaim your love to the world  
 and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.***

*The Priest may bless the people*

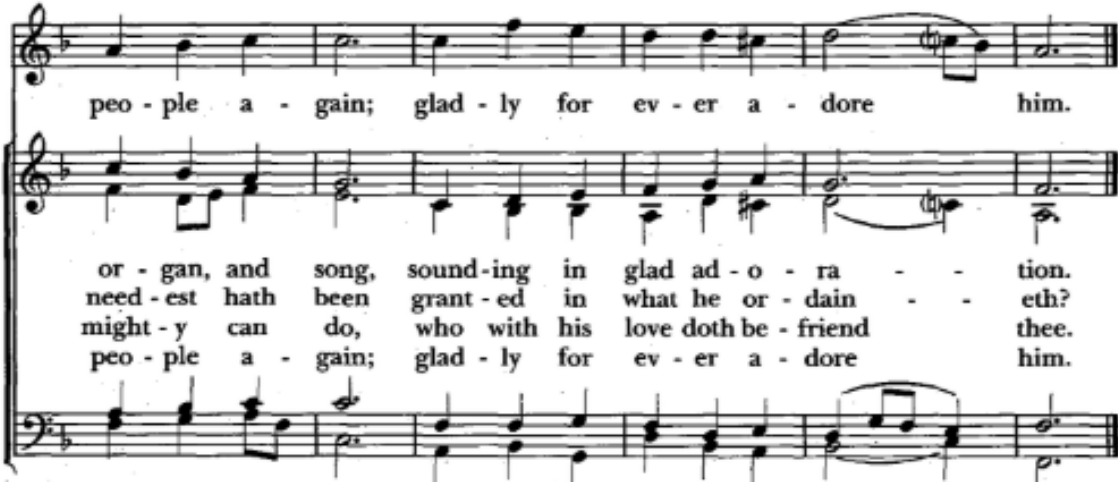
The Wisdom of God  
 the Love of God  
 and the Grace of God  
 strengthen you  
 to be Christ's hands and heart in this world,

in the name of the Holy Trinity. *Amen.* (source: Celtic)

Closing Hymn # 390 Praise to the Lord, the almighty, the King of creation

*Descant*

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -  
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -  
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -  
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with  
a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
reign - - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his  
fend - - thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with  
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound - from his  
health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,  
saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou  
ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - - tion.  
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - - eth?  
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.  
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People Thanks be to God.*

### Organ Postlude

### Worship Ministers Today:

The Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Hahneman: *Celebrant & Preacher*

Emily D: *Organist*

Jay Bauer: *8:00 Reader*

Sara Coles: *10:00 Reader*

Sara Coles: *Chalicer*

Fr. Geoff: *Veejay (VJ)*

MB Witt, Corrine Johnson, Camille Gillespie: *Altar Guild*

Laura Daly, Alec Purves: *Coffee Hosts*

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