Welcome to St. John's Church



"The Prophet Job," Fra Bartolomeo (c. 1516)

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost:

October 13, 2024 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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MORNING PRAYER

Choral Prelude Adoramus Te, Christe Oreste Ravanello (1871-1938)

Translation: We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee: because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world."

The Call to Worship with the tolling of the church bell



The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Venite

the congregation is invited to join in the chant

Monk



- O come, let us sing unto the Lord; *
 let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our sal vation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanks giving, * and show ourselves glad in him with psalms. [Ant.]
- 3 For the Lord is a great God, and a great King a bove all gods.
- 4 In his hand are all the corners of the earth, and the strength of the hills is his also.
- 5 The sea is his and he made it, * and his hands pre pared the dry land. [Ant.]
- 6 O come, let us worship and fäll down * and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 For he is the Lord our God, *
 and we are the people of his pasture
 and the sheep of his hand. [Ant.]
- 8 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; ** let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
- 9 For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, * and with righteousness to judge the world and the peoples with his truth. [Ant.]

(Gloria Patri may be added)

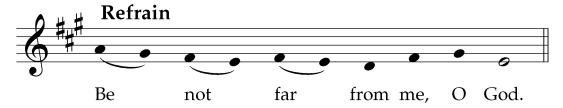
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the be ginning, is now, * and will be for ever. A'men. [Ant.]

The congregation may wish to be seated for the Psalm

Psalm 22:1-15

the congregation is invited to join in the Refrain.



- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? * and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; * by night as well, but I find no rest.
- 3 Yet you are the Holy One, * enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our forefathers put their trust in you; * they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5 They cried out to you and were delivered; * they trusted in you and were not put to shame.
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man, * scorned by all and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; * they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,
- 8 "He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; * let him rescue him, if he delights in him."
- 9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, * and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.
- 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; * you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.
- 11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, * and there is none to help.
- 12 Many young bulls encircle me; * strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
- 13 They open wide their jaws at me, * like a ravening and a roaring lion.

14 I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; * my heart within my breast is melting wax.

15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; * and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.

INTRODUCTION: In the continuing saga the much-besieged Job longs for a divine court from which he might seek redress and justice.

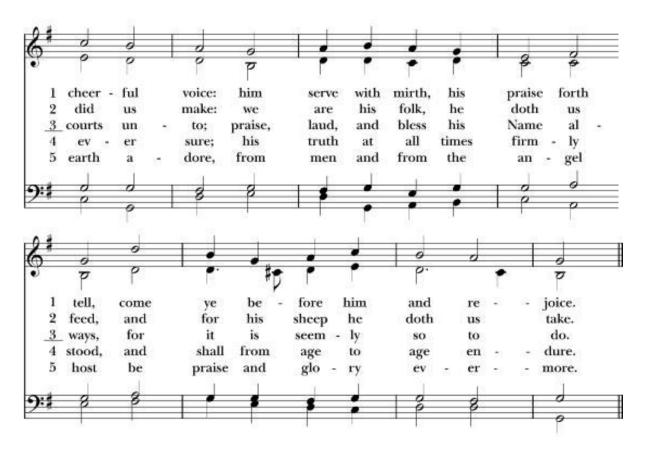
A Reading from the Scroll of Job (23:1-9, 16-17)

Job said: "Today also my complaint is bitter; his hand is heavy despite my groaning. Oh, that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his dwelling! I would lay my case before him, and fill my mouth with arguments. I would learn what he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me. Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed to me. There an upright person could reason with him, and I should be acquitted forever by my judge. "If I go forward, he is not there; or backward, I cannot perceive him; on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him; I turn to the right, but I cannot see him. God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me; If only I could vanish in darkness, and thick darkness would cover my face!"

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

People

Hvmn # 377 All People that on Earth do Dwell (Jubilate) Unison or harmony that earth do dwell, sing the Lord peo - ple he Know that the Lord in deed; with aid God out our gates with with his en - ter then his praise, ap proach joy For why? the Lord our God is good, his mer CV is for To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom heaven



INTRODUCTION: The reading reminds us that the Lord's word is active, probing the human heart and all creation, while we can yet boldly approach God's throne because Jesus, our great high priest, has known our weaknesses and temptations.

A Reading from the Letter of Hebrews (4:12-16)

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



INTRODUCTION: In the gospel Jesus counsels a man to sell all for the benefit of the poor and follow him, and he then teaches how hard it is for those with riches to enter the kingdom.

A Reading from the Gospel of St. Mark: (10:17-31)

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the

commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother." He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Sara Coles, Licensed Lay Preacher

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

Officiant The Lord be with you. And also with you. People

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

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 Suffrages

- V. Help us, O God our Savior;
- R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.
- V. Look upon your congregation;
- R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.
- V. Declare your glory among the nations;
- R. And your wonders among all peoples.
- V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;
- R. Never forget the lives of your poor.
- V. Continue your loving kindness to those who know you;
- R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.
- V. Satisfy us by your kindness in the morning;
- R. So we shall rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

The Collect of the Day

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Collect for Sunday

O God, who makest us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of thy Son our Lord: Grant us this day such blessing through our worship of thee, that the days to come may be spent in thy favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

A Prayer for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, who didst stretch out thine arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us in thy Spirit that we, reaching forth our own hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love thee: for the honor of thy Name. *Amen*.

Offertory Anthem Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen

Spiritual

Officiant: Let us continue our prayers, pausing now so that all may add their own prayers or petitions, either silently in their hearts or aloud in our midst.

The General Thanksgiving

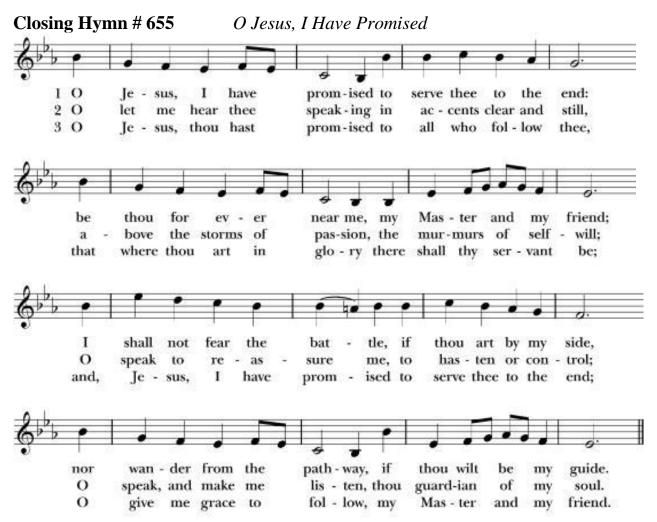
Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, world without end. Amen.\

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen*.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen*. 2 *Corinthians 13:14*

Postlude

Worship Ministers Today:

Sara Coles: Licensed Lay Preacher Tom Brand: Organist & Choirmaster Tom Hollinger: 8:00 Lay Worship Leader Rebecca Bent: 10:00 Lay Worship Leader

John Magee: 8:00 Reader Laura Daly: 10:00 Reader Laura Daly: Veejay (VJ)

MB Witt, Ginny Reynolds: Altar Guild

Natalie Dyer, Bob Futh: Ushers

MB Witt & Corinne Johnson: Coffee Hour Hosts

(PRE-) HALLOWEEN PARISH CELEBRATION

Sunday, October 27th

10:00 a.m. (no 8:00 Service that day)



FAMILY SERVICE

with a children's homily

Come in costume, if you wish

PARISH HALLOWEEN BRUNCH

following in the Parish Hall bring a dish to share

All are invited!