

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024: PROPER 23
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Family Service

WELCOME!

We are delighted to have you with us today. You are invited to God's table to receive communion and to share in our community. If you are visiting, please introduce yourself and fill out a Welcome Card. Place the card in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. If you are looking for a church to call home, you are welcome here!

CHILDREN AT ST. JOHN'S

Children's Chapel is offered for ages ten and under during the Gospel and Sermon, with infant and toddler care in the nursery. We enjoy a family worship service and Children's Sermon on the second Sunday of the month.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

"Lieder ohne Wote" Op. 67, No. 5, Felix Mendelssohn

OPENING HYMN

"God, Whose Purpose Is to Kindle" vs. 1-3

The People stand as able for the Hymn and opening



THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

GATHERING HYMN

"Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart" vs. 1, 2, The Hymnal 488



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. 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.**

THE LESSONS

The People Sit

A READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Amos 5:6-7,10-15

So seek God and live! You don't want to end up with nothing to show for your life but a pile of ashes, a house burned to the ground. For God will send just such a fire, and the firefighters will show up too late. Woe to you who turn justice to vinegar and stomp righteousness into the mud. People hate this kind of talk. Raw truth is never popular. But here it is, bluntly spoken: Because you run roughshod over the poor and take the bread right out of their mouths, you're never going to move into the luxury homes you have built. You're never going to drink wine from the expensive vineyards you've planted. I know precisely the extent of your violations, the enormity of your sins. Appalling! You bully right-living people, taking bribes right and left and kicking the poor when they're down. Justice is a lost cause. Evil is epidemic. Decent people throw up their hands. Protest and rebuke are useless, a waste of breath. Seek good and not evil—and live! You talk about God, the God-of-the-Angel-Armies, being your best friend. Well, live like it, and maybe it will happen. Hate evil and love good, then work it out in the public square. Maybe God, the God-of-the-Angel-Armies, will notice your remnant and be gracious.

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

PSALM 90:12-17

Remaining seated, the Lector and the People say the Psalm responsively

- So teach us to number our days * that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? * **be gracious to your servants.**
- Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 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.
- May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; * prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

A READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

Hebrews 4:12-16

God means what he says. What he says goes. His powerful Word is sharp as a surgeon's scalpel, cutting through everything, whether doubt or defense, laying us open to listen and obey. Nothing and no one can resist God's Word. We can't get away from it—no matter what. Now that we know what we have—Jesus, this great High Priest with ready access to God—let's not let it slip through our fingers. We don't have a priest who is out of touch with our reality. He's been through weakness and testing, experienced it all—all but the sin. So let's walk right up to him and get what he is so ready to give. Take the mercy, accept the help.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

"Day by day" The Hymnal 654



The People stand as able for the hymn and the Gospel

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As he went out into the street, a man came running up, greeted him with great reverence, and asked, "Good Teacher, what must I do to get eternal life?" Jesus said, "Why are you calling me good? No one is good, only God. You know the commandments: Don't murder, don't commit adultery, don't steal, don't lie, don't cheat, honor your father and mother." He said, "Teacher, I have—from my youth—kept them all!" Jesus looked him hard in the eye—and loved him! He said, "There's one thing left: Go sell whatever you own and give it to the poor. All your wealth will then be heavenly wealth. And come follow me." The man's face clouded over. This was the last thing he expected to hear, and he walked off with a heavy heart. He was holding on tight to a lot of things, and not about to let go. Looking at his disciples, Jesus said, "Do you have any idea how difficult it is for people who 'have it all' to enter God's kingdom?" The disciples couldn't believe what they were hearing, but Jesus kept on: "You can't imagine how difficult. I'd say it's easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye than for the rich to get into God's kingdom." That got their attention. "Then who has any chance at all?" they asked. Jesus was blunt: "No chance at all if you think you can pull it off by yourself. Every chance in the world if you let God do it." Peter tried another angle: "We left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Mark my words, no one who sacrifices house, brothers, sisters, mother, father, children, land—whatever—because of me and the Message will lose out. They'll get it all back, but multiplied many times in homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and land—but also in troubles. And then the bonus of eternal life! This is once again the Great Reversal: Many who are first will end up last, and the last first."

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

THE SERMON Travis Helms

The People may be seated

THE NICENE CREED

The People stand as able and say together

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 Ch

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;

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

PARTNERS IN MINISTRY Santa Maria Magdalena, Favorito, Cuba AMOS Health & Hope, Nicaragua

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Chapel on the Plains, Medicine Bow

SERVING IN OUR MILITARY Charlie Ezzell Lt. Commander Wolf Klotz 2 Lt. Ben Phocas

IN NEED OF COMFORT

Karen Anderson John Angst **Emily Asel** Ken Asel Katharine Baldwin-Hill Jamie Bennett Nancy Bohne Breckenridge & Burns Family Stan Burch Carole Collins Meghan & Paul Davis Kim Donaldson Parker Felton & Family Ernie Ferguson Dan Forman Joyce Good **Bruce Hawtin** John Huvler Eliza Jacobs Tanna Jones **Rob Kass** Eli Kaufman Caitlin & MacDougall & Murray Family Kip MacMillan Mader Family Rebecca Matthews John McAllister Robin Moyer Kimberly Mullikin Parish Family **Sharon Parrott** Jon Peterson Peyton Bettis Rainsford Jr Dennis Reynolds Alex Rosel Jim Ross Kelly & Randy Sales Fito Salume Schmitt Family Anne Tiernan Karen Van Norman Ann & John Willot

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Mary Estes Summer Owens Linda Williams Ken Finn Laurie Brown Genevieve Jenkins Georgene Tozzi Mary Talisman Mary Dahlager Molly Kleiman

CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIESJohn & Connie Bickner
Stuart & Jessie Lang

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

The Intercessor and People pray responsively, kneeling or standing God, we pray for your holy catholic church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for The Episcopal Church in the Philippines in the Anglican cycle of prayer. We pray for our partners in ministry, Santa Maria Magdalena in Favorito, Cuba, and AMOS Health & Hope, Nicaragua. We pray for the Chapel on the Plains, Medicine Bow in our own Diocese of Wyoming.

We pray for our Presiding Bishop, Michael; our Presiding Bishop Elect, Sean, our Assisting Bishop, Katharine; for all bishops, priests, and deacons; and for all ministers and people.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Joe, our President, and for all the world's leaders; for those on our Military Prayer List: Charlie Ezzell, Lieutenant Commander Wolf Klotz, Second Lieutenant Ben Phocas, and all officers and enlisted people.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially for those on our parish prayer list, and those we now name.

People may add their petitions silently or aloud at this time.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We offer our prayers in thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays and those celebrating anniversaries.

We ask your prayers for our Legacy of Love campaign. As we share the vision, may our hearts be open and lives be touched by the love we have for each other. Continue to give us courage to reach out, as we continue to serve our Jackson Hole community.

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

The People kneel or stand as able

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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 PEACE

The People stand as able

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The People sit. The Revelations Newsletter is available in the Narthex and Hansen Hall for more happening around the parish.

THE HOLY COMMUNION



OFFERTORY "Seek Ye First" Karen Lafferty

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you; Allelu, Alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you; Allelu, Alleluia.

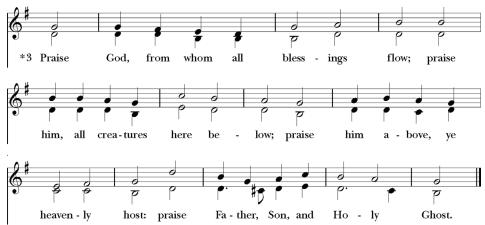
You do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God; Allelu, Alleluia.

Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst; and whatsoever you ask I will do; Allelu, Alleluia.

PRESENTATION HYMN

"From all that dwell below the skies" v. 3, The Hymnal 380

The People stand as able



GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

The People stand as able

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

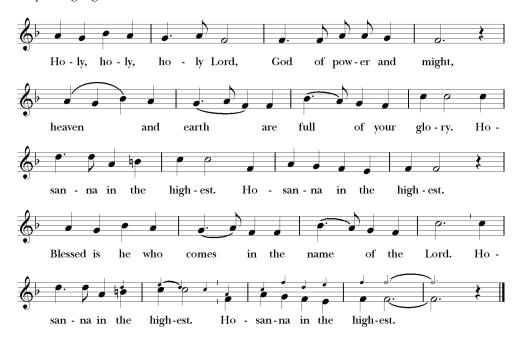
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

SANCTUS

The Celebrant and the People sing together



The People kneel or stand as the Celebrant continues with the Great Thanksgiving

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.

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

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,

Celebrant Our Father, who art in heaven,

& People 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.

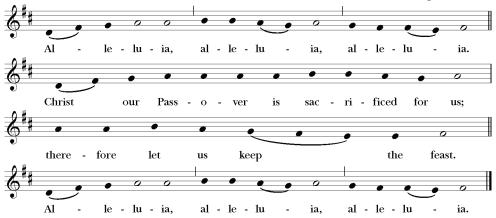
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

As the Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, a period of silence is kept

"Christ our Passover" from New Plainsong; David Hurd, The Hymnal S154

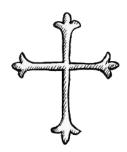


Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to receive communion in this parish. If it's your first time to receive communion or the first time in this church, the most important thing to know is it's impossible to do it wrong! We're glad you're joining us. You may kneel or stand as you approach the communion rail. Place your hands together and clergy will place the wafer in your palm. You may eat the bread and receive communion as bread alone. You may dip the bread in the wine chalice (there's a fancy word for this—intinction) or you may drink from the chalice. In that act of receiving communion, we remember the life and teachings of Jesus, along with his death and resurrection, AND it's something we do TOGETHER in order to remember we are all connected—communing with one another through this life and what's to come.

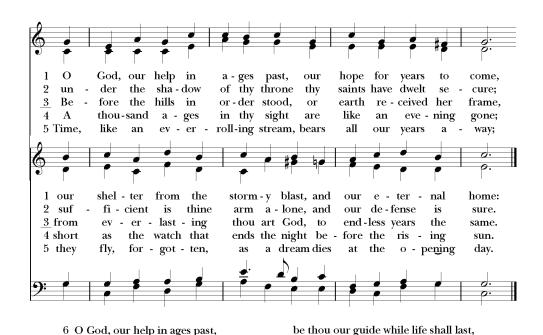
A member of the St. John's Prayer and Healing Ministry is available to be a companion in prayer after the service.



The People are invited to sing



"O God, our help in ages past" vs. 1-6, The Hymnal 680



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

The People kneel or stand as able

Celebrant Let u

Celebrant

& People

Let us pray.

our hope for years to come,

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.

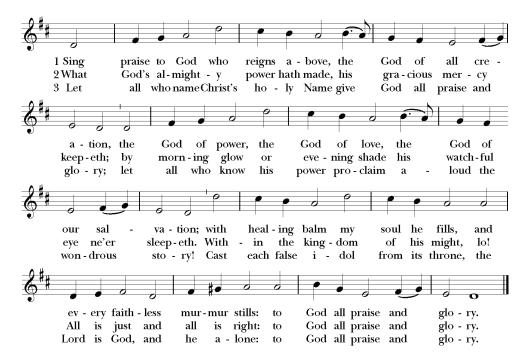
and our eternal home.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people

CLOSING HYMN

"Sing praise to God who reigns above" vs. 1-3, The Hymnal 408



THE DISMISSAL

As the procession passes down the aisle, you are invited to face the doors of the church for the Dismissal Deacon

Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

"Prelude in Classic Style" Gordon Young

We invite you to join us for the Coffee Hour in Hansen Hall after the service.



The Flower Team provides altar flowers for the church on Sundays and when a parishioner dedicates flowers to a loved one. The ministry shares these arrangements with those on our In Need of Comfort list. If you would like to donate flowers in honor or remembrance of someone, contact Pam Woodson at pam@stjohnsjackson.org, call 307-733-2603 or use the sign up sheet in Hansen Hall.

The altar flowers are given in honor of Vanessa Distefano's birthday by her husband, Jeff Distefano.



THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!

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