



The Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

11 a.m., Sunday, October 17, 2021

*Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.
May you leave here with a heart prepared to serve.*



*If this is your first time here, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card
found on the Welcome Table in the courtyard.*

The Word of God

Prelude

Cloister-Garth

Herbert Brewer (1897-1928)

Hymn At The Procession

Hymnal, #460

1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the
*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we
3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the
*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the
2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is
3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the
4 Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of
5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the
2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the
3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -
4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -
5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 4 Vic - tim in the cu - cha - ris - tic feast.
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

Opening Acclamation

The people remain standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Glory to God for ever and ever.

Collect For Purity

Celebrant and people, together

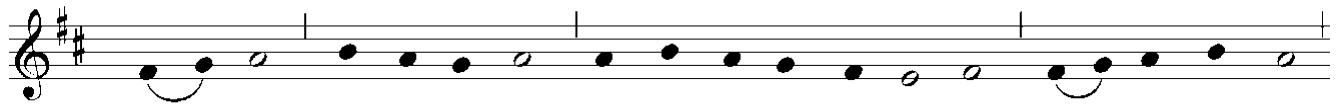
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Gloria In Excelsis

The following is sung, all standing



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



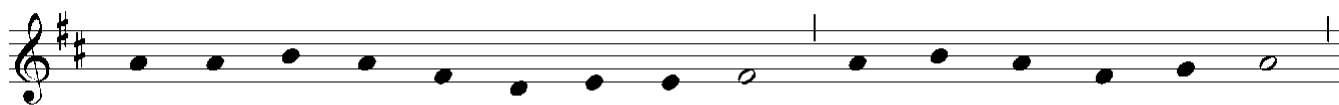
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



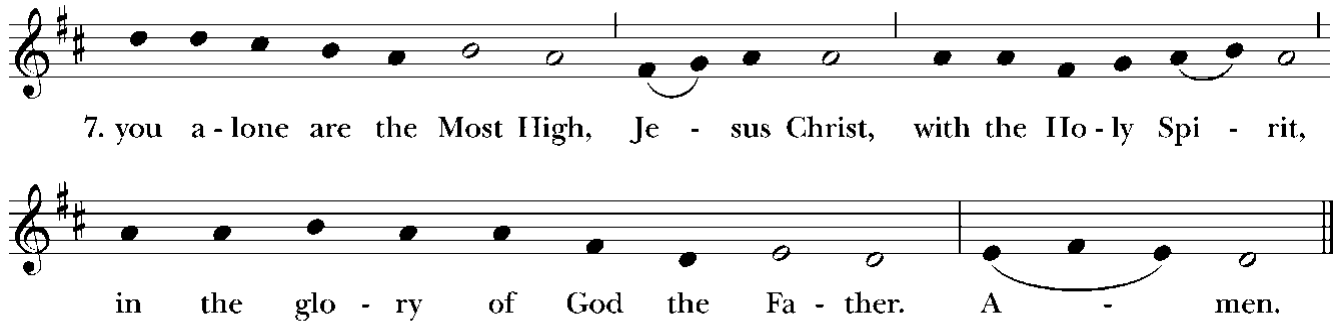
4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



The Collect Of The Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Collect For Faithful Stewardship

Gracious and Loving God, you call us to be stewards of your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us to always use your gifts wisely and teach us to share them bountifully. Send the Holy Spirit to sustain our hope and to work through us, bringing your message of love to those we encounter in our lives. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Jesus Christ in all that we do. We pray with grateful hearts to you, who is with us always to the end of the age. *Amen.*

The Lessons

First Reading

Job 38: 1-7, 34-41

A Reading from the Book of Job.

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

when the morning stars sang together

and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

"Can you lift up your voice to the clouds,

so that a flood of waters may cover you?

Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go

and say to you, 'Here we are'?

Who has put wisdom in the inward parts,

or given understanding to the mind?

Who has the wisdom to number the clouds?

Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens,

when the dust runs into a mass

and the clods cling together?

"Can you hunt the prey for the lion,

or satisfy the appetite of the young lions,

when they crouch in their dens,

or lie in wait in their covert?

Who provides for the raven its prey,

when its young ones cry to God,

and wander about for lack of food?"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm

Psalm 104:1-9, 25, 37b

John Stainer
(1840–1901)



¹ Bless the Lord, / O ' my / soul; *

O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!
you are clothed with / ma'jes-/ty ' and / splendor.

² You wrap yourself with light as / with ' a / cloak *
and spread out the / heav'ens / like ' a / curtain.

³ You lay the beams of your chambers in the / waters ' a-/bove; *
you make the clouds your chariot;
you / ride on ' the / wings of ' the / wind.

⁴ You make the / winds ' your / messengers *
and / flames ' of / fire ' your / servants.

⁵ You have set the earth up-/on its ' foun-/dations, *
so that it never shall / move ' at / an'y / time.

⁶ You covered it with the Deep / as with ' a / mantle; *
the waters stood / high'er / than ' the / mountains.

⁷ At your reb-/uke ' they / fled; *
at the voice of your / thunder ' they / hastened ' a-/way.

⁸ They went up into the hills and down to the / valleys ' be-/neath, *
to the places / you had ' ap-/pointed ' for / them.

⁹ You set the limits that they / should ' not / pass; *
they shall / not a'gain / cover ' the / earth.

²⁵ O Lord, how / manifold ' are your / works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures. / Hal'le-/lu/jah!

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-10

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;
as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal, #655



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;
 2 O let me hear thee speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,
 3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom - ised to all who fol - low thee,



be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;
 that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;



I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard - ian of my soul.
 O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Gospel

Mark 10: 35-45

The people remain standing.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called

them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Rev. David Erickson

The people are seated after the Gospel Book is returned to the altar.

The Nicene Creed

All stand.

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 truly human.

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,
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.

Prayers Of The People

O God, creator of all things, we lift our prayers to you filled with gratitude for all that we are and all that we have.

We pray for the faithful and upright; church leaders, prophets and visionaries that faith might grow abundantly, and the love for each other will increase. For you are our God,
and in you we find life.

We pray for the nations, clans and tribes of the earth and all those in authority that the world might know your grace and peace through love. We pray especially for(N). For you are our God,
and in you we find life.

We pray that you will heal the sick and comfort the aged, the infirm, the lonely, the homeless, and be with those who need help to live with dignity and without suffering. We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, especially (N.) and for others we name either aloud or in our hearts. For you are our God,
and in you we find life.

We pray for our beloved community that it, too, will embrace generosity, that will provide for the earthly needs of our congregation and our neighbors, giving joyfully from our first fruits. For you are our God,
and in you we find life.

We remember before you those who have died and now dwell with you, that they may rest with you in eternal glory. We ask your loving embrace of (N.) and for others we name either aloud or in our hearts. For you are our God,
and in you we find life.

We give thanks for your generous gifts to us, the many blessings and joys of our lives. We give special thanks today for (N.) and for others we name either aloud or in our hearts. For you are our God,
and in you we find life.

The Celebrant finishes the prayer with a closing collect.

Benevolent God, your generous love is free, your compassion unconditional, and your mercy infinite. You shower upon us abundant gifts. Grant that we may know you through these gifts and that they inspire us to love and serve one another with abandon. We ask this in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Confession Of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God.

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant and people, together

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.*

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

The Ministers and the People may greet one another using a custom that is mutually acceptable and appropriate during these unique times.

Greetings and Announcements

The people are seated.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

The Celebrant says

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

Offertory Anthem

Expectans Expectavi

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Sung by St. Mary's Parish Choir

This sanctuary of my soul,
Unwitting I keep white and whole,
Unlatch'd and lit, if Thou should'st care
To enter or to tarry there.

With parted lips and outstretch'd hands,
And list'ning ears Thy servant stands.
Call Thou early, call Thou late,
to Thy great service dedicate.
My soul, keep white, and whole.

-Charles Hamilton Sorely (1895-1915)

The Great Thanksgiving

The People stand.

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

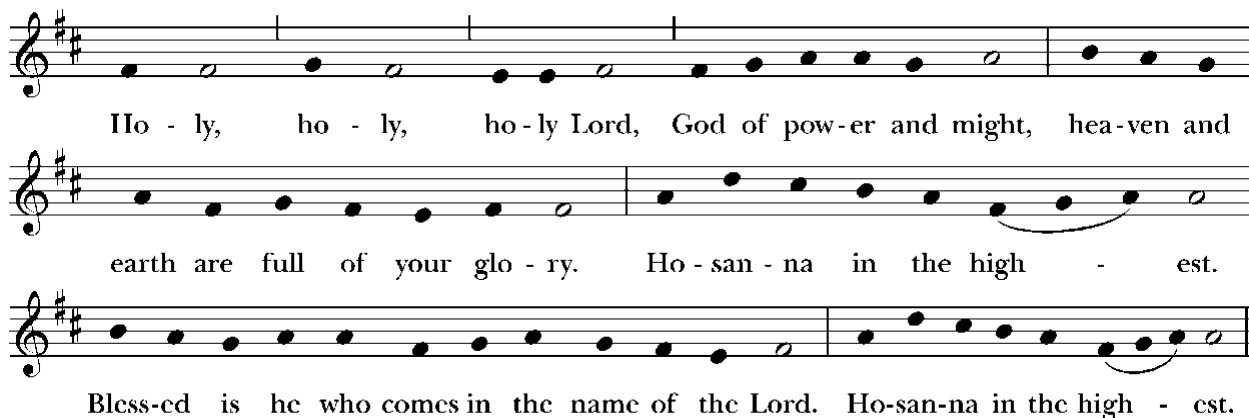
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus

Celebrant and People



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

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign

and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Mary, the Christ Bearer and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as 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 forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Celebrant says

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.

The Holy Communion

All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.

For those worshiping in person, please allow the altar party and choir to receive communion before approaching the Communion rail. The Celebrant will place the wafer into your outstretched palm taking care not to touch your hand. After being given the consecrated bread, take it back to your place while remaining masked. Once you have returned to your place, you are invited to remove your mask, receive Communion, and replace your mask.

- ◆ *If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply ask the priest for one at the time of Communion.*
- ◆ *If you would prefer a blessing instead of the Bread, please cross your arms over your chest.*
- ◆ *Communion is currently being offered in one kind. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.*

Those worshiping at home are invited to pray the following from St. Augustine's Prayer Book:

O Christ,

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

Communion Music

Ave Verum Corpus

William Byrd (1540-1623)

Sung by St. Mary's Parish Choir

Hail the true body, born
of the Virgin Mary:

You who truly suffered and were sacrificed
on the cross for the sake of man.

From whose pierced flank
flowed water and blood:

Be a foretaste for us
in the trial of death.

O sweet, O merciful,
O Jesus, Son of Mary.

Have mercy on me. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

The People stand.

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People, together

Merciful God of all creation,
holy Parent of all people,

who through our Lord Jesus Christ united all things in his fullness,
we join your whole creation in exultant praise of your bountiful goodness.

You have touched us with new life and filled us with new hope that your reign will come, that the hungry will be fed, that the oppressed will be set free, that your reconciling work will be done, that love and faithfulness will meet together, that justice and peace will reign and the whole creation will be filled with your glory. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

Hymnal, #535

1 Ye ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,
 2 God rul - eth on high, al - might - y to save;
 3 Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne!
 4 Then let us a - dore, and give him his right:

and pub - lish a - broad his won - der - ful Name;
 and still he is nigh: his pres - ence we have.
 Let all cry a - loud, and hon - or the Son.
 All glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

the Name all - vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol:
 The great con - gre - ga - tion his tri - umph shall sing,
 The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,
 and hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,

his king - dom is glo - rious; he rules o - ver all.
 as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King.
 fall down on their fa - ces, and wor - ship the Lamb.
 and thanks nev - er - ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love.

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

Announcements at St. Mary the Virgin

Welcome Visitors And Guests

October 17, 2021

Thank you for worshipping with us. Strengthening our community and serving our neighbors is more important than ever in these challenging times. To learn more about the variety of our offerings, please email office@smvsf.org and we will stay in touch with you!

Please enjoy our online offerings from children, youth, and adults.

We look forward to traveling this journey of faith with you.

"I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN TO THE END OF THE AGE"

ST. MARY'S ANNUAL FUND 2022

At the heart of St. Mary's is people who give of themselves and their resources so that we may continue to receive the love of God and bear Christ into the world. Each year we ask you to prayerfully consider supporting God's mission at St. Mary's by making a meaningful financial pledge to the annual budget. I invite you to once again take that transformative leap of faith and commit to supporting God's mission and ministry here at St. Mary's.

Pledges may be brought to church or mailed using the card and envelope provided. You may also make your pledge online at smvsf.org/pledge. If you have any questions about making a pledge, please don't Rev. David.

PARISH "THANK YOU!" GIFT TO JACKIE SCHROEDER

Jackie Schroeder has faithfully served as St. Mary's Nursery Director for over 11 years, and twice she has served as our interim parish administrator! To thank her for her incredible service, and to joyfully send her off to North Carolina, we are inviting you to join us in giving her an abundant gift.

We hope that you will consider participating anonymously in funding a cash gift for Jackie. This is NOT tax-deductible; it is an anonymous "thank you gift." It's easy to contribute!:

-Credit Cards: ~ Log on to www.smvsf.org, select the "Donate Now" button, select One Time Gift, on the top line, after the amount, please type in "Jackie's gift"

-Checks ~ should be made payable to St. Mary the Virgin, with "Jackie" in the memo or re: line.

You can give it to any staff member, drop your check in the offertory, mail to SMV, 2325 Union Street, SF 94123 or give it to an usher or clergy.

Thank you so much for your consideration!

CELEBRATING JACKIE BETWEEN THE 9 A.M. AND 11 A.M. SERVICE (SUN., OCT. 24)

Celebrating Jackie: On October 24, in lieu of Sunday School we will gather in the courtyard after the 9am service to celebrate Jackie Schroeder's loving ministry in the nursery at St. Mary's. All are welcome to join in the tributes, cupcakes, and prayers.

**CANDLELIGHT CONCERT: MUSIC OF
BYRON ADAMS AND DAVID CONTE
(SUN., OCT. 24)**

Eric Choate and Ellen Leslie will perform works by California composers David Conte and Byron Adams, who are celebrating 40 years of friendship. Music from both of these composers has frequently appeared in our concerts and liturgies, most notably Byron Adams' *Vision of Dame Julian of Norwich*, which featured on Ellen Leslie's Candlelight Concert in January of 2020. Please join on Sunday, **Oct. 24th at 5:00 p.m.** Proof of vaccination required for concert attendees over the age of 12.

BE A PART OF ALTAR GUILD!

Altar Guild members work in teams, helping to keep the sanctuary, chalices, vestments, candles and sacred linens ready for worship services each week. A small time commitment one weekend each month lets us serve God and build fun relationships that cross generations. Travel often? No problem! AG members readily swap weekends. Ours is an inclusive ministry of warmth, hospitality and teamwork. All adults and teens welcome! Join us! To learn more about the wonderful opportunity that is the Altar Guild, please contact Deborah Franklin – deborah franklin@nasw.org, or Gloria Galindo - gloria.gtgg@gmail.com

**NECROLOGY FOR THE
COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE
FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

During The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed service on Tues, Nov. 2, a necrology, a list of names of those who have died, will be read. Although the list is primarily composed of those we have remembered during our Prayers of the People from throughout the last year, you are welcome to submit a name of a loved one to be added to the list. To submit any other names of deceased relatives or friends, please email to Natalie Hala at natalie@smvsf.org no later than Thurs. Oct. 28.

**COOL GHOULS IN THE COURTYARD
SAVE THE DATE! (OCT. 30)**

Parish families, friends, boos and ghouls, are invited to the **Outdoor Halloween Party** sponsored by the Children's and Youth Choirs of St. Mary the Virgin on **Saturday, October 30 3:00-4:30 p.m.** in the SMV courtyard, 2325 Union St.

Wear a costume! Costume prizes, fun and games, and of course, a few cool ghouls. Covid-safe practices will be followed.

RSVP is requested for planning but not necessary.

GRACE CATHEDRAL HALLOWEEN EVENT (SUN., OCT. 31)

Grace Cathedral is hosting an all-ages, family Halloween event in the cathedral nave from 2-3:30 p.m. on October 31, with trick-or-treating, organ music and mood lighting. Wear your costume! Bookings can be made through the [Grace Cathedral website](#).

BECOMING THE BELOVED COMMUNITY: (SACRED GROUND REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR ST. MARY'S)

Sacred Ground is a race dialogue series offered by the Episcopal Church to all congregations. The curriculum is built around powerful documentary films and readings to serve as the jumping-off point for non-judgmental dialogue about race and systemic racism.

- [Click here for the Presiding Bishop's invitation to Sacred Ground](#)
- [Click here to read more about the curriculum](#)
- [Click here to register for a group \(11 sessions\)](#)

Groups will meet alternate weeks (*morning or evening*) starting the week of October 25 (on Zoom).

SUNDAY SCHOOL, CONFIRMATION, AND YOUTH GROUP REGISTRATION

All families looking to participate in Sunday School (pre-K-6th grade), Confirmation, and/or Youth Group (6th-12th grade) should register [HERE](#) at the following link. Physical copies of the registration will also be available in the church courtyard following the 9 a.m. service. Questions about these programs can be directed to Mike Stafford (mike@smvsf.org).

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Registration for Youth Confirmation classes is happening right now. We are still working out the details of our Youth Confirmation class (7th grade and older), but we would love to hear from you if you intend to take the class! Please register for the Confirmation class using the same registration link for Sunday School and Youth Group [HERE](#) (go ahead and register for those as well!). Questions about Confirmation can be directed to Mike Stafford (mike@smvsf.org).

YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

Youth Group will not be gathering on October 17, but we will be back together on October 24 from 1-3. Looking forward to seeing you then!

Mission Trip Youth to Preach on October 24! Come hear our youth reflect on their San Francisco Mission Trip experiences at both services on October 24. This is something you won't want to miss!

We Pray For...

PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES and FRIENDS

David
Susan Crown
Bob Bledsoe
Jon
Erika Elliott
Koswenda Family
Christie Fleming
Pamela Sauer
Sara
Greer Hopkins
Bob McClenahan
Fred Martin
Deacon Everett Powell
The Duffy Family
Bob Anderson
Sandy Briggs

CONTINUING PRAYERS

June
Pat Okimoto
Dorris Howard
Kevin Teeney
The Community at the Heritage
The Community of St. Francis
San Francisco Night Ministry
Jane
Quinn Charles Fay
Erich
Tim Eland
Forester Davis
Simon
Phyllis Shepherd
Michael Crossley

RECENTLY DECEASED

Francis Duffy
Wendy Moseley
Anne Oliver Jackson

GLOBAL CONCERNS

For the most vulnerable children, elders and women who live in the world's hunger hotspots where conflict, Covid-related inequality, and climate change unite to endanger their lives.

THANKSGIVINGS

For the gift of music, God's language of love, and the composers who affirm through their compositions that God's gracious presence is always at hand.

For the birth of Liliana Gracia BarronWalsham, daughter of Kate and Betzy BarronWalsham and granddaughter of Sandra Gary and John Walsham.

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