



# Holy Eucharist of Remembrance & Hope

## Sunday, September 12, 2021

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*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

Suite in Olden Style: Fugue

Byron Adams (b. 1955)

## Hymn At The Procession

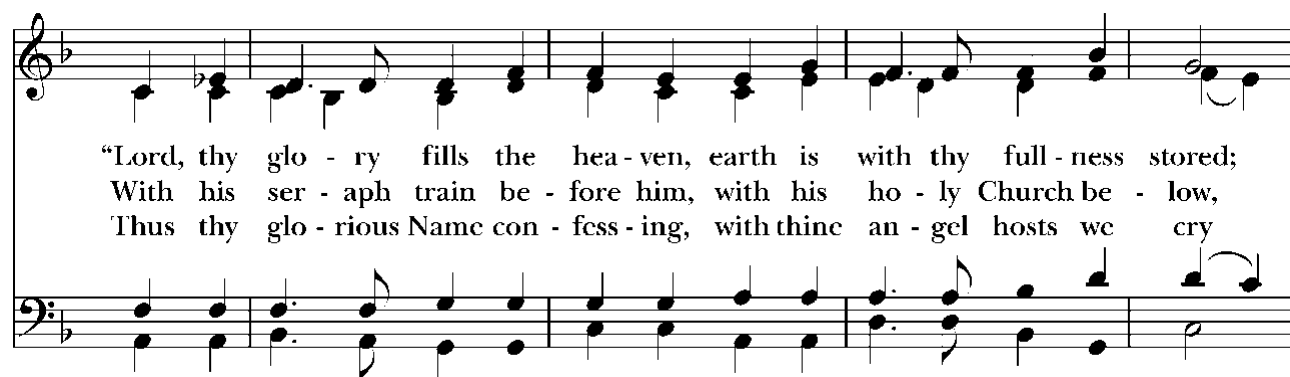
Hymnal, #367



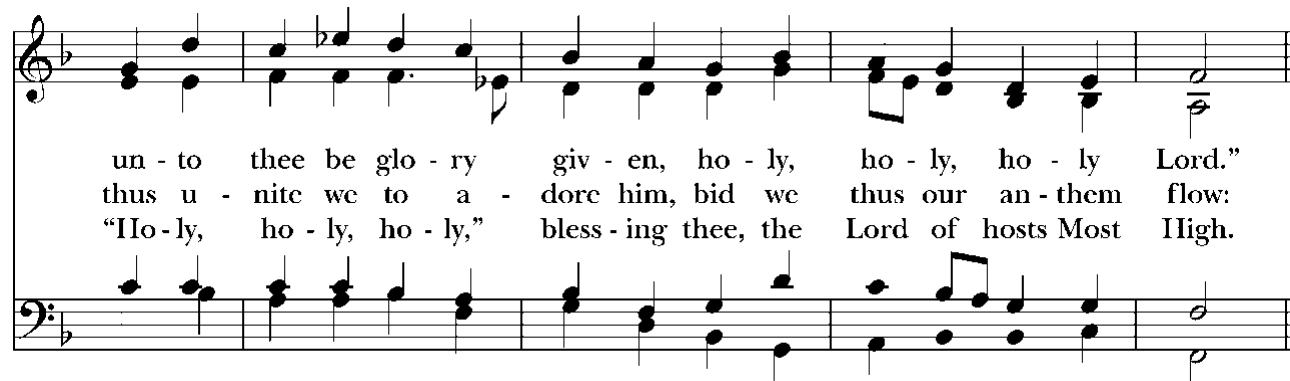
1 Round the Lord in glo - ry seat - ed cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim  
2 Heaven is still with glo - ry ring - ing, earth takes up the an - gels' cry,  
3 "Lord, thy glo - ry fills the hea - ven, earth is with thy full - ness stored;



filled his tem - ple, and re - peat - ed each to each the al - ter - nate hymn;  
"Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," sing - ing, "Lord of hosts, the Lord Most High."  
un - to thee be glo - ry giv - en, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."



"Lord, thy glo - ry fills the hea - ven, earth is with thy full - ness stored;  
With his ser - aph train be - fore him, with his ho - ly Church be - low,  
Thus thy glo - rious Name con - fess - ing, with thine an - gel hosts we cry



un - to thee be glo - ry giv - en, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."  
thus u - nite we to a - dore him, bid we thus our an - them flow:  
"Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," bless - ing thee, the Lord of hosts Most High.

## 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, heaven - ly  
King, al - mighty 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

The musical score is written on six staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains the first line of music, with lyrics underneath. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics. The third staff continues with lyrics. The fourth staff continues with lyrics. The fifth staff continues with lyrics and includes a triplet of eighth notes. The sixth staff continues with lyrics and includes a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics are: "1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - mighty 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, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**The Collect Of The Day**

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us pray.

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility your dominion may increase until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your truth and love. *Amen.*

# The Lessons

## First Reading

Isaiah 61:1-4

*The people are seated.*

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

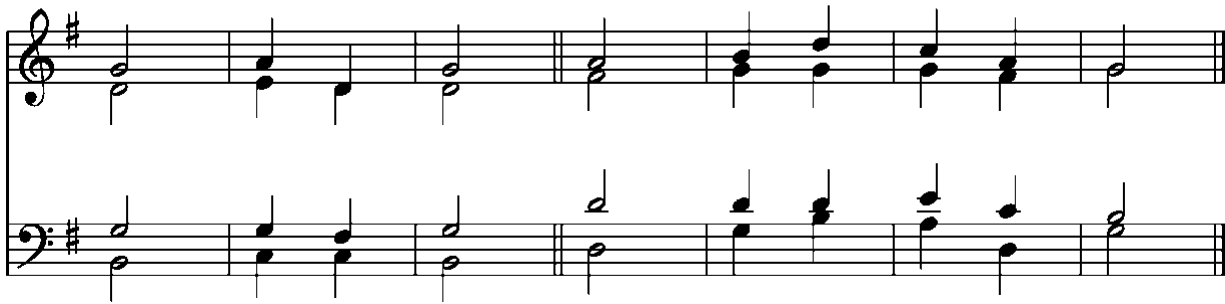
The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in

Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

John Stainer  
(1840–1901)



<sup>1</sup> In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be / put ' to / shame; \*  
deliver me / in ' your / right'eous-/ness.

<sup>2</sup> Incline your / ear ' to / me; \*  
make / haste to ' de-/liv'er / me.

<sup>3</sup> Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my / crag and ' my / stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Name, / lead me ' and / *guide* / me.

<sup>4</sup> Take me out of the net that they have secretly / set ' for / me, \*  
for you / are ' my / tower ' of / strength.

<sup>5</sup> Into your hands I com-/mend ' my / spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me,  
O / LORD, ' O / God ' of / truth.

<sup>19</sup> How great is your goodness, O LORD!  
which you have laid up for / those ' who / fear you; \*  
which you have done in the sight of all  
for those who / put ' their / trust ' in / you.

<sup>20</sup> You hide them in the covert of your presence from / those ' who / slander them; \*  
you keep them in your shelter / from ' the / strife ' of / tongues.

<sup>21</sup> Blessed / be ' the / LORD! \*  
for he has shown me the wonders of his love / in ' a be-/sieged / city.

## Second Reading

Romans 8:31-39

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

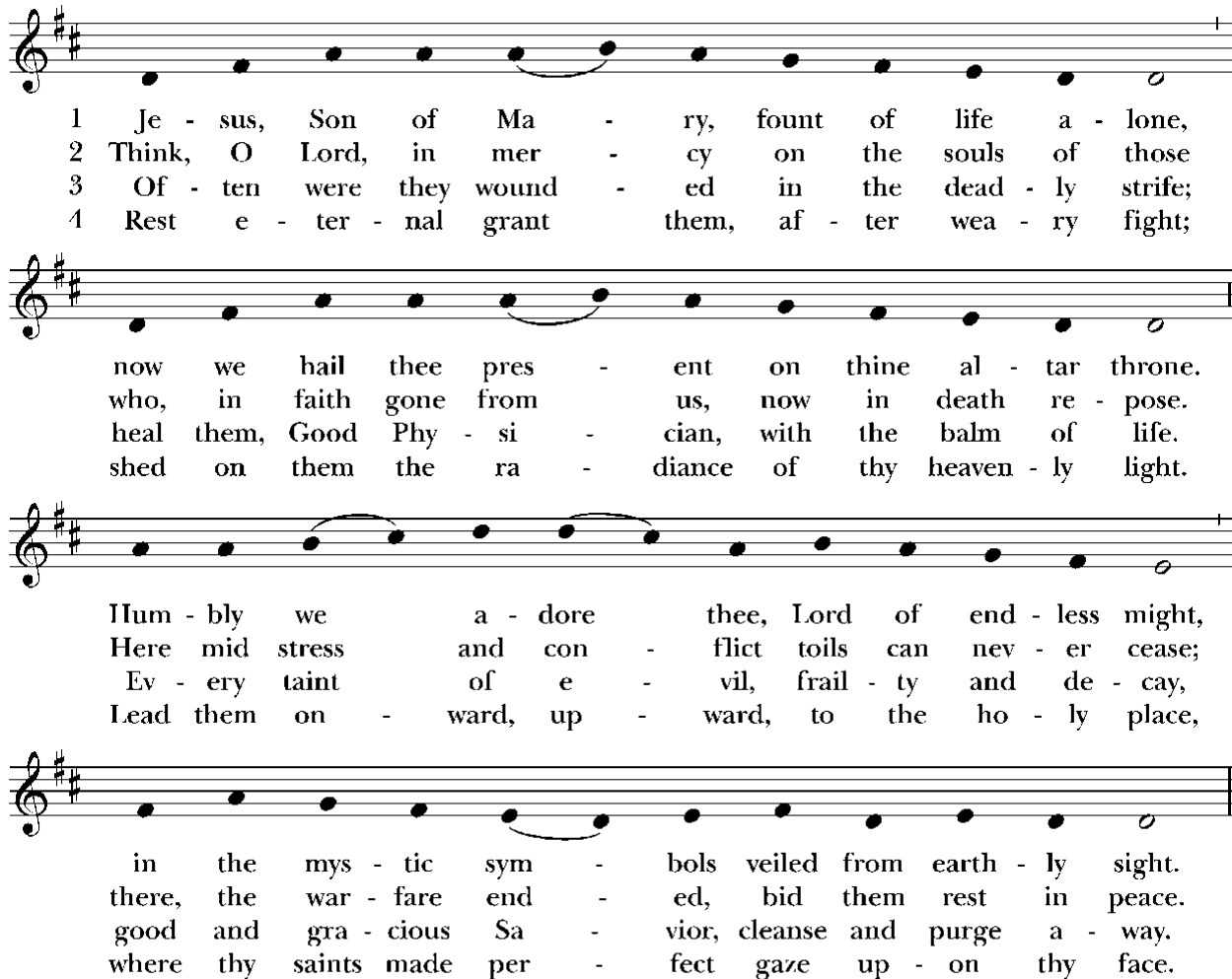
The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

## Sequence Hymn

Hymnal, #357

*All stand.*



1 Je - sus, Son of Ma - ry, fount of life a - lone,  
2 Think, O Lord, in mer - cy on the souls of those  
3 Of - ten were they wound - ed in the dead - ly strife;  
4 Rest e - ter - nal grant them, af - ter wea - ry fight;

now we hail thee pres - ent on thine al - tar throne.  
who, in faith gone from us, now in death re - pose.  
heal them, Good Phy - si - cian, with the balm of life.  
shed on them the ra - diance of thy heaven - ly light.

Hum - bly we a - dore thee, Lord of end - less might,  
Here mid stress and con - flict toils can nev - er cease;  
Ev - ery taint of e - vil, frail - ty and de - cay,  
Lead them on - ward, up - ward, to the ho - ly place,

in the mys - tic sym - bols veiled from earth - ly sight.  
there, the war - fare end - ed, bid them rest in peace.  
good and gra - cious Sa - vior, cleanse and purge a - way.  
where thy saints made per - fect gaze up - on thy face.

## Gospel

*The people remain standing*

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

*Glory to you, Lord Christ*

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."



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, lover of concord, we pray for our church and the world that we will be instruments of your peace.

For peace throughout the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and all people, we pray to you, O God:

*Where there is hatred, let us sow love.*

For those who do harm to others, for those who commit acts of terrorism and destruction, that as your people we may grow ever more deeply in your spirit of justice and peace, we pray to you, O God:

*Where there is injury, let us sow pardon.*

For all who believe in you and all whose faith is known to you alone, that we may be delivered from the darkness of fanaticism and from the pride that arises from wealth and comfort, we pray to you, O God:

*Where there is discord, let us sow union.*

For those who have lost their faith in you, for those whose mourning seems endless, may your people offer comfort and hope, we pray to you, O God:

*Where there is doubt, let us sow faith.*

For the persecuted, the lonely, the sick and all those whose spirit has been broken and whose lives have been irrevocably disrupted. We pray to you, O God:

*Where there is despair, let us sow hope.*

For the mission and ministry of your Church; that we may listen to your Word of reconciliation and proclaim it through our actions, we pray to you, O God:

*Where there is darkness, let us sow light.*

For all who died in the terror of September 2001, and those victimized in the endless cycle of racial violence, senseless acts of hatred and war, and the toll of disease, infection and climate disruption. For all of them and for others whom we remember today. (*A moment of silence is held.*) We trust that they have entered a new realm of being in your presence, we pray to you, O Lord:

*Where there is sadness, let us sow joy.*

We pray for our own concerns and needs and for those of this congregation.

*Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved as to love.*

We take heart in thanksgiving that through Christ's life and resurrection, we may reach fullness of being during our years on earth and for evermore.

*For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we reborn to eternal life.*

*The Celebrant concludes the prayers with the following Collect.*

Eternal God of all peoples and races, you made us in your image: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us, unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion so that the day will come when all humanity will recognize that it is one family, and serve you in harmony and peace. *Amen.*

## **Confession Of Sin**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and all of creation.

*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.*

### **Greeting 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**

O How Glorious

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

*Sung by St. Mary's Summer Choir*

*O how glorious is the kingdom wherein all the saints rejoice with Christ;*

*Clothed in white robes they follow the Lamb whither soever He goeth.*

### **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,

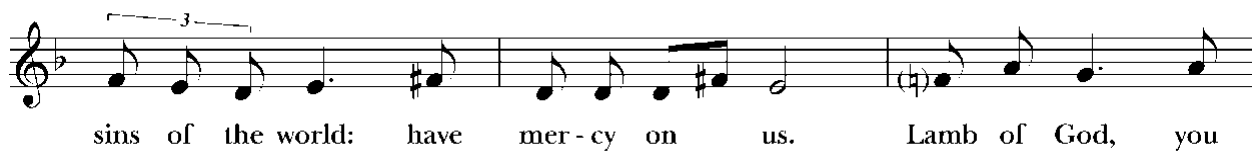
now and forever. Amen.

## 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



*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**

Beatitudes - Russian Orthodox Hymn

arr. Richard Proulx

*Sung by St. Mary's Summer Choir*

Remember your servants, Lord, when you come in your kingly power. Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when the world reviles you and persecutes you; and utters all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake: Rejoice and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven.

-St. Matthew

## **Post-Communion Prayer**

*The People stand.*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People, together*

O God of our ancestors, God of our people, before whose face the human generations pass away: We thank you that in you we are kept safe for ever, and that the broken fragments of our history are gathered up in the redeeming act of your dear Son, remembered in this holy sacrament. Help us to walk daily in the Communion of Saints, declaring our faith in the promise of eternal life.

Now send us out in the power of your Holy Spirit to live and work for your praise and glory. Amen.

## **Blessing**

Closing Hymn

Hymnal, #718

1 God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y  
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -  
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
 past, in this free land by thee our lot is cast;  
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;  
 way, lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,  
 be thou our ru - ler, guard - ian, guide, and stay  
 thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,  
 fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.  
 thy bount - eous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

**Dismissal**

Go forth into the world in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**Postlude**

Suite in Olden Style: Rigaudon

Adams

# Announcements at St. Mary the Virgin

## *Welcome Visitors And Guests*

September 12, 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](mailto: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.

### **THIS WEEK'S FLOWERS**

The flowers through this summer are brought to you by the gracious donations of parishioners during the Pandemic. This week's flowers are in memory of Pauline Kieve, Rudolph Kieve, Kathy Kieve, Beth March, Ruth Hughes, David Hughes, and Wilson Hughes.

### **ANNOUNCING ST. MARY'S FALL WORSHIP SUNDAY SERVICES**

As we enter September, our common life at St. Mary's continues to evolve as we prepare for another program year. Starting Sunday, Sept. 19, we will expand to two in-person worship services at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

The 9:00 a.m. Courtyard Eucharist Service will be family oriented, interactive and will include classic hymns and music offered by the children's and youth choirs. The 9:00 a.m. service will conclude with a faith formation component for both adults and children. K-6 Sunday School instruction will be offered during 30-minute classes while adults remain in the courtyard to discuss and explore the rich message of the day's Gospel and other topics of interest.

The 11:00 a.m. Eucharist service with parish choir will be held inside the church

and will closely resemble our "Simple Summer" 10:00 a.m. indoor service. The 11:00 a.m. service will be live streamed on St. Mary's website and Facebook page and may be accessed later in the day or week.

No reservations are needed to attend either service. Child care will be offered during both services. Look for more detailed information about Sunday school on our website and other communications.

We at St. Mary's continue to be mindful of prioritizing the health and safety of our community and the ongoing challenges posed by the Delta and any future variants. Our Sunday in-person services and Sunday School classes will adhere to prevailing city, county and diocese health and safety protocols. Currently, these include masks indoors and appropriate distancing. Also, we understand if you and your family are not ready to return to in-person services and programs. If you'd like to discuss your decision, hesitations or simply can't make up your mind, please reach out to any member of the clergy.

The Holy Spirit continues to guide and inspire us as we maneuver through the months ahead. Our continuing journey is

in the hands of God, and we trust that divine guidance will nurture and sustain our life together.

### **WELCOMING RILEY HAGGIN AS OUR INTERIM ASSOCIATE YOUTH MINISTER**

St. Mary's is thrilled to welcome Riley Haggin as our Interim Associate Youth Minister. Riley has been a volunteer with the St. Mary's Youth Ministry for eight years, and has helped lead several Mission Trips. She and Mike will continue their work together in Youth Ministry, and she is excited to take on this new role!

### **CANDLELIGHT CONCERT:**

#### **TCHAIKOVSKY'S SERENADE (SUN., SEPT. 19)**

We are thrilled to see the return of our Candlelight Concerts this fall. Please join us on **Sunday, September 19th at 5:00 p.m.** for a performance of Tchaikovsky's *Serenade for Strings* and Holst's *St. Paul's Suite* conducted by Eric Choate. As always, concerts are free and open to the public.

#### **YOUTH GROUP KICKOFF (SUN., SEPT. 19)**

All 6th-12th graders AND their parents are invited to the Youth Group Kickoff on September 19 from 1-3. We will gather in the courtyard for fun and fellowship, and to talk about the awesome and exciting year ahead of us! We will break into two groups (kids and parents) so that each group can have more age-specific information about the plan and a chance to ask questions. Please contact Mike Stafford ([mike@smvsf.org](mailto:mike@smvsf.org)) if you have any questions, and we look forward to seeing you there!

## **THE SEASON OF CREATION**

**(SEPT. 1 – OCT. 4)**

The Season of Creation is celebrated by Christians around the world as a time for renewing, repairing, and restoring our relationship to God, one another, and all of creation. The Episcopal Church joins this international effort for prayer and action for climate justice and an end to environmental racism and ecological destruction. Amid crises that have shaken our world, St. Mary's joins the global Christian family and awakens to the urgent need to heal our relationships with creation and with each other during the ecumenical Season of Creation.

### **PARISH PICNIC (SEPT. 26)**

Join your fellow parishioners for an afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship on **Sunday, September 26 from 12:00 P.M. until 3:00 p.m.** at Golden Gate Park's Hellman Hollow around 25th Ave. We will be across the field from the restrooms off of JFK Drive. We'll be BBQing and bringing games and activities for all! Hope to see you in the park!

Please contact Christian Cebrian ([ccebrian@gmail.com](mailto:ccebrian@gmail.com)) or Mike Stafford ([mike@smvsf.org](mailto:mike@smvsf.org)) with any questions.

## COULD YOU HOST AN AFGHAN REFUGEE?

We are receiving reports of a surge of Afghan individuals and families arriving in the Bay Area. This is in addition to the increase in asylum-seekers and refugees from other countries. Whether they arrive as individuals and as families, housing is their most immediate need.

Do you have an open guest room, in-law apartment, or rental unit where you could host one or more of these new arrivals from Afghanistan or elsewhere for a period of at least three months? You will not do it without support. A new nonprofit organization, New Anchor, will answer your questions and train you before you make a commitment.

<https://newanchor.org>) You are not expected to provide quarters free, and you have the right to establish conditions and boundaries upon the rental. In addition to New Anchor, St. Mary's accompaniment team is here to support you and the individual/family in every way. For more information contact New Anchor, [hello@newanchor.org](mailto:hello@newanchor.org) or David Crosson, [david48ec@gmail.com](mailto:david48ec@gmail.com).

God has blessed us at St. Mary's in so many ways. How better to serve Christ than to share God's abundance with those fleeing persecution elsewhere? Please consider this call.

### PARISH RETREAT (OCT. 15-17)

The St. Mary's Parish Retreat (October 15-17) at the Bishop's Ranch is not to be missed, and we have a special opportunity to register before anyone else! Gather with your friends from St. Mary's in beautiful wine country, go for hikes, sing by the campfire, participate in a wine tasting hosted by Bob Bledsoe, and take some Holy Time to yourself. Please register with the link below and then let Mike Stafford or a member of Parish Life know that you have so that we can work on our programming and have an email list to give you updates on what we have planned.

<https://thebishopsranch.wufoo.com/forms/m1egi5ay1mhamib>

For questions, please contact Interim Assoc. Minister Mike Stafford, [mike@smvsf.org](mailto:mike@smvsf.org).

# *We Pray For...*

## ***PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES and FRIENDS***

David  
Dave McConnell  
Michael Crossley and family  
Kristina Golden  
Susan Crown  
Bob Bledsoe  
Jon  
Erika Elliott  
Karletta  
Koswenda Family  
Steven, Valerie, and their four children  
Christie Fleming  
Pamela Sauer  
Sara

## ***CONTINUING PRAYERS***

*Prayers are offered for ongoing concerns during the Wed. 12:10 service.*

André Diedrichs  
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

## ***RECENTLY DECEASED***

Wendy McConnell  
Dudley White  
Elisa Cabahug  
Walter Cepulinski  
Joyce Farber  
Jon Bruno  
Don Hauck  
Vicki Serianni

*Our service today uses an alternative form of the Prayers of People that does not include additional petitions.*

*Please continue your prayers for the parishioners, relatives and friends and the recently deceased throughout this week.*

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9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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