

Saint Mary's Episcopal Church The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost: Holy Eucharist Sunday, June 23, 2024 11:00am

Welcome to Saint Mary's! We are glad you are joining us today for either in person or online worship. If you're new to the Episcopal Church, know that we follow an ancient and enduring pattern of worship called Liturgy, which is designed to give glory to God and draw people closer to God. We sing and pray together, and stand, sit and kneel at different times using our bodies, minds and voices as we worship in the Spirit. All of those directions are in this guide, which is drawn from the Book of Common Prayer you see in the pew racks in front of you. We have communion every Sunday (and sometimes more often!) and everyone is invited to the altar, regardless of membership or from what denomination they've come. If you haven't been baptized, or aren't sure you're ready to receive communion, we invite you to come forward for a blessing and talk to a priest after the service about getting baptized. For more information about Saint Mary's, please see our website at <u>www.stmaryshighpoint.org</u> or check out our <u>Facebook Page</u>.

The liturgy begins on page 355 in The Book of Common Prayer.

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Welcome & Announcements

The Word of God

All stand, as able.

Hymn 381 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness

The Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

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.**

Robert Powell



The Collect of the Day

Gloria in excelsis Deo

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Children depart for Children's Chapel.

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The Lessons

All are seated.

A reading from The Book of Job

38:1-11

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,

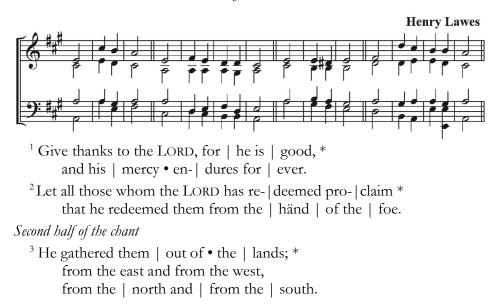
or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb? when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, and said, "Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm 107

Confitemini Domino



²³ Some went down to the | sea in | ships * and plied their trade in | deëp | waters;

²⁴ They beheld the | works of • the | LORD * and his | wonders | in the | deep.

²⁵ Then he spoke, and a stormy | wind a-|rose, * which tossed high the | wäves | of the | sea.

²⁶ They mounted up to the heavens and fell | back to • the | depths; * their hearts | melted • be-| cause of • their | peril.

²⁷ They reeled and | staggered • like | drunkards * and were | at their | wits' | end.

²⁸ Then they cried to the | LORD in • their | trouble, * and he delivered | them from | their dis-| tress.

²⁹ He stilled the | storm to • a | whisper * and quieted the | wäves | of the | sea.

³⁰ Then were they glad be-|cause of • the | calm, * and he brought them to the | harbor | they were | bound for.

³¹ Let them give thanks to the | LORD • for his | mercy * and the | wonders • he | does for • his | children.

³² Let them exalt him in the congregation | of the | people * and praise him in the | council | of the | elders.

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians 6:1-13

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you,

and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return-- I speak as to children-- open wide your hearts also

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able.

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And

Hymn 699 Jesus, lover of my soul

leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

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

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

The Sermon

The Gospel

Gospeller

People

All stand and say together

The Nicene Creed

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 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; 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.

Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated.

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Mark Cassity

Mark 4:35-41

For this community, the nation, and the world especially peaceful resolution to wars in Ukraine, Israel and Palestine;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; especially Helen, Michelle, Jo, Pat, Gloria, Clara, Susan, Sam, Eamon, Connie, and all those on our Parish Prayer List and all those on the Daughters of the King Prayer List.

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; especially The Church of England, St. Bartholomew's, Pittsboro, Christ Church, Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh, and our companion dioceses of Botswana and Costa Rica and our Costa Rica Mission Team as they are in Siquierres building relationships for St. Mary's.

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Sam and Jennifer our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord; **For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; **Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Standing, the Celebrant says

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.**

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.*People* And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

All stand.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

The Peace

O love of whom is truth and light The word and spirit, life and power, Whose heart was bared to smite, To shield us in our trial hour: O love, I give myself to thee, Thine ever, only thine to be.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

All stand

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth;

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

Finn Viderø

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~ Johann Scheffler tr. Catherine Winkworth

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Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

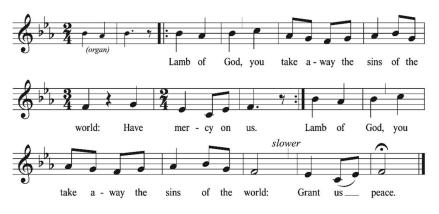
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All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

The Breaking of the Bread

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Fraction Anthem



Richard Proulx

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.

Hymns at the Communion

649	O Jesus, joy of loving hearts
328	Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord

Sending Out Prayer

Celebrant and People

As the people of Saint Mary's, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread one cup. Amen.

After Communion, all kneel as able and the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant blesses the people and then they are dismissed, responding

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 608 Eternal Father, strong to save

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Altar flowers: The flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God in honor of all fathers and in loving memory of Jim and Judy Boggs by their children and grandchildren.

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