



Saint Mary's Episcopal Church
The Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost:
Holy Eucharist
Sunday, November 17, 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 www.stmaryshighpoint.org or check out our [Facebook Page](#).

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

Voluntary

Welcome & Announcements

The Word of God

All stand, as able.

Hymn 391 Before the Lord's eternal throne

The Celebrant says

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

People And 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.**

Gloria in excelsis Deo

Eddie Bass

accomp.
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on
earth. Lord God, hea-ven - ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.
accomp.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,
slower
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

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Children depart for Children's Chapel.

The Lessons

All are seated.

A reading from the Book of Daniel

12:1-3

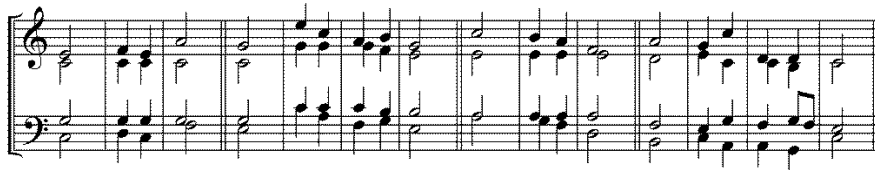
The Lord spoke to Daniel in a vision and said, "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 16 *Conserva me, Domine*

Chant: John Joubert



Protect me, O God, for I take | refuge • in | you; *

I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,
my | good a- | bove all | other."

² All my delight is upon the godly that are | in the | land, *
upon those who are | noble • a- | mong the | people.

³ But those who run after | other | gods * shall | have their | troubles | multi•plied.

⁴ Their libations of blood I | will not | offer, *
nor take the names of their | gods up- | on my | lips.

⁵ O Lord, you are my | portion • and my | cup; *
it is | you who • up- | hold my | lot.

⁶ My boundaries enclose a | pleasant | land; *
indeed, I | have a | goodly | heritage.

⁷ I will bless the Lord who | gives me | counsel; *
my heart teaches me, | night | after | night.

⁸ I have set the Lord | always • be- | fore me; *
because he is at my | right hand • I | shall not | fall.

Second half of the chant

⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my | spirit • re- | joices; *
my body | also • shall | rest in | hope.

¹⁰ For you will not abandon me | to the | grave, *
nor let your | holy • one | see the | Pit.

¹¹ You will show me the | path of | life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are | pleasures • for | ever- | more.

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

10:11-14, 19-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

Hymn 615 “Thy kingdom come!” on bended knee the passing ages pray

The Gospel

Mark 13:1-8

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

All are seated.

The Rev'd Foster Mays

All stand and say together

The Nicene Creed

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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.

For this community, the nation, and the world especially peaceful resolution to wars in The Sudans, 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 those affected by Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton;

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

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; especially The Anglican Church of Southern Africa; Episcopal Center at Duke University, Episcopal Campus Ministry – Raleigh, Greensboro Colleges and Universities/St. Mary's House; and our companion dioceses of Botswana and Costa Rica, most especially Santa Maria Siquierres.

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

For Sean 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; especially Sam, Eamon, David, Dick, Jane, Denni, Shirley, Greg, Ray, Robert, and all those on our Parish Prayer List and all those on the Daughters of the King Prayer List.

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.**

The Peace

All stand.

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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.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Thou judge of quick and dead, Do thou our souls prepare
 Before whose bar severe, For that tremendous day;
 With holy joy, or guilty dread, And fill us now with watchful care,
 We all shall soon appear; And teach our hearts to pray.

Oh, may we thus insure
 A lot among the blest,
 And watch a moment, to secure
 An everlasting rest.

~ *Samuel Wilberforce*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

All stand

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Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It 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:

Celebrant and People

Eddie Bass

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer 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 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.

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.



Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

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Fraction Anthem

David Hurd

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 there - fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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.

Music at the Communion

Zum Agnus Dei

Franz Schubert, Deutsche Messe

Mein Heiland, Herr und Meister!	<i>My Savior, Lord and Master!</i>
Dein Mund, so segensreich,	<i>Your mouth, so blessed,</i>
Sprach einst das Wort des Heiles:	<i>Once spoke the word of salvation:</i>
»Der Friede sey mit euch!«	<i>“Peace be with you!”</i>
O Lamm, das opfernd tilgte	<i>O Lamb, who redeemed with sacrifice</i>
Der Menschheit schwere Schuld,	<i>Humanity's grave guilt,</i>
Send' uns auch Deinen Frieden	<i>Send us also your peace</i>
Durch Deine Gnad' und Huld!	<i>Through your grace and grace!</i>

In dieses Friedens Palmen	<i>In this peace's palm trees,</i>
Erstirbt der Erdschmerz,	<i>If earthly pain dies,</i>
Sie wehen Heil und Labung	<i>They blow salvation and refreshment</i>
Ins sturmbewegte Herz;	<i>Into the storm-tossed heart;</i>
Und auch die Erdenfreude,	<i>And also the joy of earth,</i>
Durch ihn geheiligt, blüht	<i>Sanctified by him, blossoms</i>
Entzückender und reiner	<i>More delightful and pure</i>
Dem seligen Gemüth.	<i>To the blessed mind.</i>

Herr, unsre Lieben alle,	<i>O Lord, all of our loved ones,</i>
Die nun bereits von hier	<i>Who already from here</i>
Ins Land des Friedens gingen,	<i>Went to the land of peace,</i>
Nimm sie, nimm sie zu Dir!	<i>Take them, take them to yourself!</i>
Laß einst sie dort uns finden!	<i>Let them find us there one day!</i>
O seliger Verein,	<i>O blessed communion,</i>
Wenn wir des Himmelsfriedens	<i>If we were to enjoy the peace of heaven</i>
Zusammen uns erfreu'n!	<i>To rejoice together!</i>

Mein Heiland, Herr und Meister,	<i>My Savior, Lord and Master,</i>
O sprich erbarmungsreich	<i>O speak mercifully</i>
Zu uns das Wort des Heiles:	<i>To us the word of salvation:</i>
»Der Friede sey mit euch!«	<i>“Peace be with you!”</i>
Send' uns den Himmelsfrieden,	<i>Send us peace from heaven,</i>
Den nie die Erde gibt,	<i>That the earth never gives,</i>
Der nur dem Herzen winket,	<i>Who only beckons the heart,</i>
Das rein und treu Dich liebt!	<i>Who loves you purely and faithfully!</i>

~ Johann Philipp Neumann

Hymns

- 346 Completed, Lord, the Holy Mysteries
626 Lord, be thy word my rule

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 596 Judge eternal, throned in splendor

Voluntary

Altar flowers: The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jim and Anne Bulla.

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The Rev'd Foster Mays

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Keeping in Prayer this Week: We pray for those whose needs are closely linked with ours and for those who suffer from any sickness, grief or distress, also remembering and praying for those on our parish prayer list, including Helen Congdon, Linda Nitz, Emily Finch Johnson, Anne Miressi, Trish, Thea Oglesby, Steve, Jerri Phillips, Elizabeth White, Richard Glover, Rick and Margaret Lewis, Frankie Gurganus, Nancy Jenkins, Kathy, Diane Kearns, Joan Cardwell, Bill Fenn, Cheryl Warren, Debbie Ewing, Barry, Helen Idol, Jo Stilley, Pat Hayes, Gloria, Clara Blythe, Susan Hayne, Sam Hawley, Robert Eamon Kelly, David Stewart, Dick Shaler, Jane Gill-Shaler, Denni Mikola, Shirley, Greg Denison, Ray, Robert Taylor, Michelle Maynard, Hannah, Linda Focarelli, Carter, Tom Peterson, Loyd, Mike Hennen, Connie Strader, Ginny Long, Katherine Anne Marsh, Em, Phil Williams, Kim Williams, Michael, George White, Jennifer Boggs.

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