

November 3, 2024

# **INGATHERING SUNDAY**



# A Service of Holy Eucharist at 10am

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Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

- Ephesians 5:1-2

## MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

The ministers of St. Mary's are all the people.

Preacher: The Rev. Michael Burke, Rector

Celebrant, Gospel Reader: The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gómez, Associate Rector

**Readers:** Al Alvarez and Charlene Davis **Voice of the People:** Thad Hunter

Musicians: Praise Singers

Media Specialists: Seth Eggleston, Timothy Baker, and Will Weaver Flowers: Jann and Bob Sherrill, in thanksgiving for Sabrina (daughter)

Donuts: Amy Gruber

## GATHERING IN THE NAME OF GOD

**GATHERING MUSIC** • Various selections from the Liturgical Music • Praise Singers

**GATHERING MUSIC** • When the Saints Go Marching In • Traditional. arr. W. H. Miller

Leader: Oh when the saints
All: When the saints...
Leader: Go marching in

All: **Go marching in...** 

Yes when the saints go marching in,

You know I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching

in.

Leader: Oh when the sun
All: When the sun...
Leader: Refuse to shine...
All: Refuse to shine...

Yes, when the sun refuse to shine,

You know I want to be in that number, when the sun refuse to shine.

Leader: Oh when the moon

All: When the moon...

Leader: It turns to blood

All: *It turns to blood...* 

Yes when the moon it turns to blood

You know I want to be in that number, when the moon it turns to blood.

Leader: Oh when the Rev
All: When the Rev...
Leader: Revelation comes
All: Revelation comes...

Yes when the Revelation comes.

You know I want to be in that number, when the Revelation comes.

Leader: Oh when they crown All: When they crown...

Leader: Him Lord of all

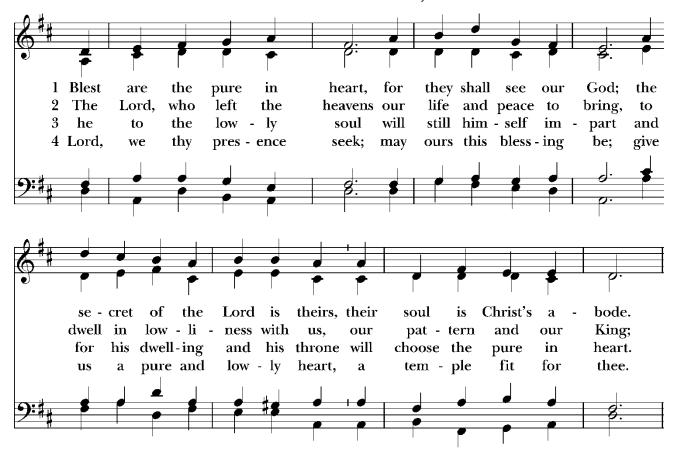
Lord of all...

Oh when they crown Him Lord of all,

You know I want to be in that number, when they crown Him Lord of all.

### WELCOME • The Rev. Michael Burke

\*OPENING HYMN • Blest are the Pure in Heart • Hymnal #656



#### \*OPENING SENTENCES

Priest Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Priest 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 Savior. *Amen.* 

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## \*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Priest* God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Priest Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen*.

## FIRST READING • Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9

Reader A Reading from Wisdom of Solomon.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,

and no torment will ever touch them.

In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,

and their departure was thought to be a disaster,

and their going from us to be their destruction;

but they are at peace.

For though in the sight of others they were punished,

their hope is full of immortality.

Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,

because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;

like gold in the furnace he tried them,

and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them.

In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

### PSALM 119:1-8

#### **ANTIPHON**



All who know your voice and lis - ten ar- dent- ly up- hold your laws, bind- ing



Happy are they whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of God!
Happy are they who observe the decrees and seek God with all their hearts!
Who never do anything wrong, but always walk in God's ways.
You laid down your commandments, that we should fully keep them.

## ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

Oh, that my ways were made so direct that I might keep your statutes!

Then I should not be put to shame, when I regard all your commandments.

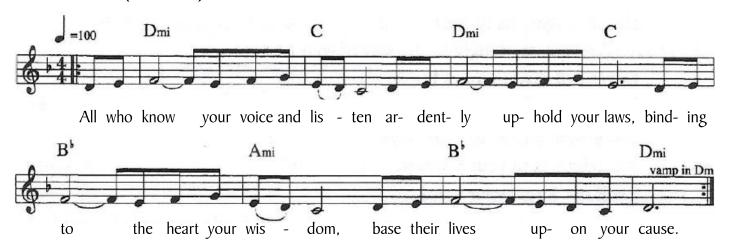
I will thank you with an unfeigned heart,

when I have learned your righteous judgments.

I will keep your statutes;

do not utterly forsake me.

## ANTIPHON (ALL SING)



#### SECOND READING • Revelation 21:1-6a

Reader A Reading from Revelation.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them as their God:

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more:

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

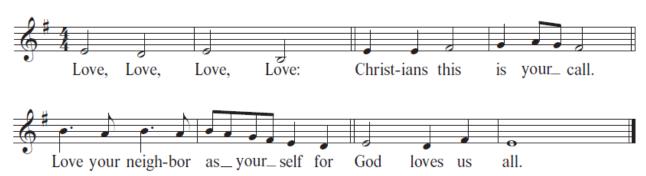
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

### \*GOSPEL HYMN • The Love Round



\*GOSPEL • John 11:32-44

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Priest When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**SERMON** • The Rev. Michael Burke

#### \*AFFIRMING OUR FAITH



#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Gather us together, O God, that we might share the prayers, intentions, and thanksgivings of our community.

We are generous with our gifts,

because we are called to walk in love.

I ask your prayers for the Church, for all who worship God this day. For clergy, diocesan leaders, and for this congregation. We pray especially for this season in which we celebrate stories of our shared mission and ministry.

We are generous with gifts of leadership,

because we are called to walk in love.

I ask your prayers for our nation and all nations; for refugees fleeing climate change and war; for conflicts of resources and land; for lawmakers, peacekeepers, and informed citizens. We pray for a distribution of wealth that supports justice for the poor and the marginalized, and right relations among all people.

We are generous with gifts of peace,

because we are called to walk in love.

I ask your prayers for the sick, the lonely, the lost, and those who grieve. We remember those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now in silence or aloud.

[Here prayers are shared in the chat box, or by voicing them aloud.]

We are generous with gifts of healing,

because we are called to walk in love.

I ask your prayers for those who have died, those who are dying, and those who mourn. For those on our parish prayer list, and for those we name now in silence or aloud.

[Here prayers are shared in the chat box, or by voicing them aloud.]

We are generous with gifts of support,

because we are called to walk in love.

I ask for your thanksgivings and blessings, for we are given time, talent, and treasure to share with the world.

We are generous with gratitude,

because we are called to walk in love.

Silence may be kept.

A Priest says Hear the prayers of your people, Creator God. May we who are entrusted with so much share with a world in need. Amen.

Priest And now, let us confess our sin, to God and each other.

Together, praying,

Minister and People

Most merciful God.

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

## A Priest 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

*Priest* The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the People may greet one another in the name of God.

## **SERVICE OF THE HOLY COMMUNION**

#### **OFFERING**

Offerings toward the work and ministry of St. Mary's may be made by texting **StMarysAK** to **73256**, at **GodsView.org**, or by using this QR code:



**OFFERTORY HYMN** • *Who Follows in His Train?* • words: Reginald Heber, tune: *The Minstrel Boy* 



- 2. The martyr first whose eagle eye, Could pierce beyond the grave, Who saw his master in the sky and called on him to save, Like him with pardon on his tongue In midst of mortal pain, He prayed for those who did the wrong, Who follows in his train?
- 3. A glorious band the chosen few, On whom the Spirit came, Twelve valiant saints their hope they knew, And mocked the cross and flame, They met the tyrant's brandished steel, The lion's gory mane, They bowed their necks the death to feel, Who follows in their train?
- A holy gathering of men and boys, of matrons and of maids,
   Around the Savior's throne rejoice,
   In robes of light arrayed,
   They climbed the steep ascent to heaven,
   Through peril, toil and pain,
   Oh God to us may grace be given
   To follow in their train.

#### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below, Praise God above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

#### \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Priest* God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## The priest continues

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

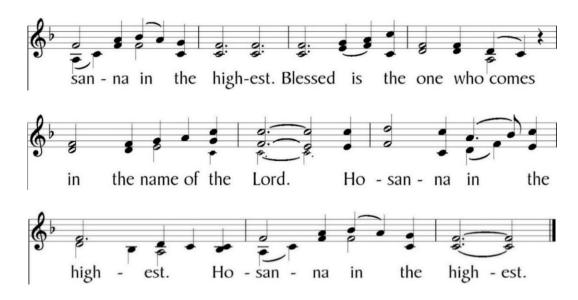
You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your own children, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

### **SANCTUS • WLP 858**





## A priest continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.

You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you.

You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus.

Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.

Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil,

opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us,

Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

"Take. eat:

This is my Body which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."



As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."



A priest says Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

A priest continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation

this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us

the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts

may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

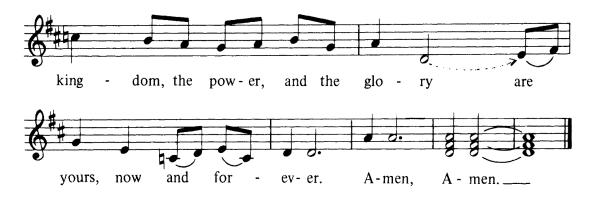
At the last day, bring us with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise,

for ever and ever. AMEN.

Priest As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, singing:





### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Priest Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

#### THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

#### ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE LORD'S TABLE

This is Christ's Banquet. It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who feel you have failed. Come, because it is Christ who invites you.

## **COMMUNION HYMN** • Someday (Instrumental)



## **COMMUNION HYMN** • *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God* • Hymnal #293



#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

After Communion, a priest says Let us pray.

## Celebrant and people

God of Abundance and Grace,
by the provision of this feast,
the Sacrament of our Savior, Jesus Christ
you have united us together in purpose and place.
May we who have gathered and broken bread
now live in the abundance of your grace,
grow in liberating, life-giving love,
and serve you with joy and steadfast faith,
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

### **BLESSING**

#### SENDING OUT EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant: (Name), in the name of this congregation, we send you to share our Eucharist with \_\_\_\_\_. May you take the prayers of all of us as you deliver the sacrament of Christ's presence.

All: We who are many are one body, because we all share in the one cup!

Celebrant: Go forth in the name of God!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Watch over your child, O God, as their days increase; bless and guide them where ever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful, raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding, abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Send, O God, your blessing upon these your servants. Sustain them in their love and commitment to each other, that their home may be a place of peace and hospitality now and always. Amen.

#### **SOBRIETY**

Bless, O God, your servant in their work or recovery; defend them in their sobriety; and bless them with strength and wisdom now and always. Amen.

### **WORK TRANSITION OR RETIREMENT**

Gracious God, we thank you for the work and witness of your servant who has enriched this community and brought gladness to friends and family; now bless and preserve them at this time of transition. Guide them in the continued use of your gifts; provide sustenance for temporal and spiritual needs, friends to cheer the way, and a clear vision of the ministry to which you are now calling them. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

## **BLESSING SONG**

May the blessing of God be upon you, the blessing of the Father and the Son. And may the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Love\*, be with you all your days.

\*Spirit of Peace [second verse]

## \*RECESSIONAL HYMN • The Time of Saints • W. H. Miller

Some saints are angry, while other saints are kind, Many do not hesitate to say what's on their mind, Search for saints among us, it's likely that you'll find That the time of the saints isn't over.

Some saints grow famous but most remain unknown Some saints start movements while some work on their own, Thronged by friends and family, or distant and alone, The time of the saints isn't over.

Saints in the coal mines and out in fishing craft.

Working for the airlines or teaching high school math.

Saints who are silent and those who like to laugh,

The time of the saints isn't over.

Saints among the doctors and those who bring us hope Saints among the neighbors and friends who help us cope. Saints among the leaders and just plain common folk, The time of the saints isn't over.

It's not about perfection, it's just about God's grace, When mercy and compassion shine in a human face, Working for redemption amid the commonplace, The time of the saints isn't over.

No, the time of the saints, the time of the saints, The time of the saints isn't over!

#### DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia! People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

**PARTNERS in SERVICE:** In 2023-2024, St. Mary's has partnered with over seventy-five groups and organizations through a combination of joint programing, provision of services, building use, or pastoral care services or funding.

Abused Women's Aid in Crisis (AWAIC) Alaskans for Better Choices / Volunteers of America (DUI reeducation / victim impact panels) Alaska Coalition to End Homelessness Best Beginnings (early childhood education) Standing Together Against Rape Partners in Homeless Education United Thank Offering (UTO) Malawi Children's Village Children's Lunchbox – Hunger Program The Episcopal Diocese of AK **Episcopal Native Ministries** Faith Into Tomorrow Diocesan Investment Committee Commission on Ministry South Central Deanery **Episcopal Prison Ministry** Fellowship In Serving Humanity Helping Hand Bags P.L.UM.E. Ecumenical Ministry Anchorage Interfaith Council Anchorage Faith In Action -Congregations Together (AFACT) Dancing in the Spirit Ministries Numerous 12-Step recovery groups St. Mary's Creative Playschool Alaska Native Medical Center pastoral care department **Brother Francis Shelter** Beans Café 99+ I (Homelessness) First Christian Church After School Program Nasenga Primary School (Malawi) The Anchorage Gospel Rescue Mission Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness Heifer Project International Nets for Life (Malaria Prevention) Episcopal Relief and Development Older Persons Action Group Christians For Equality Homeward Bound / Karluk Manor Hope Community Resources Sand Lake parishes- Malawi, Africa Identity, Inc. – civil rights The Alaska Christian Conference Thomas Center for Senior Leadership Red Cross - Disaster Relief

New Chance Ministries Ukrainian Refugee Relief

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Open Arms Orphan Nursery (Malawi)

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Henning, Inc. (Homelessness)

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St. Mary's Rapid Rehousing Fund

The Queen's Guard

Knitters of the North

Community Yoga for Elders

Girdwood Chapel

Inside Out Faith

Hospice of Anchorage

I-Act Little Ripples Program

PILA Global (kids at the border)

**AK Correctional Ministries** 

Assist Ukraine (refugees)

Underground Pride

Water.org (safe water – developing world)

Magic Yarn Project (kids w/cancer)

Newborns in Need – AK Chapter

The Listening Post

Cafecito Bonito

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

November 3-10, 2024

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### Sunday, November 3 – Ingathering Sunday

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist Chapel

9 am First Sunday Breakfast Waldron Hall

10 am <u>Service of Holy Eucharist</u> Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877

10 am Godly Play

Room I

11:20 am Fellowship Hour Waldron Hall

4 pm Evening Prayer Sanctuary

## Monday, November 4

No scheduled church events

## Tuesday, November 5

7 pm Children's Christian Formation Team

Cay's Room

## Wednesday, November 6

7 am <u>Service of Holy Eucharist</u> Sanctuary & online; ID 584 949 088

6:15 pm **Choir Rehearsal** Sanctuary

### Thursday, November 7

7 am Men's Group
 Waldron Hall
 7 pm <u>Bible Workbench</u>
 Online; ID 821 8564 8348

## Friday, November 8

No scheduled church events

# Saturday, November 9

10 am **Bazaar Workshop** Waldron Hall

### Sunday, November 10

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist Chapel

9 am Christian Formation Cay's Room & classrooms

9 am Children's Chapel Chapel

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877

10 am Godly Play

Room 1

11:15 am **Clare House Meal Prep** Waldron Hall Kitchen

11:20 am Fellowship Hour Waldron Hall

4 pm **Evening Prayer**Sanctuary