



St. Mary's
Episcopal Church
Godsview.org

August 30, 2026

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



A SERVICE OF HOLY EUCHARIST AT 10AM

ST. MARY'S CLERGY

The Rev. Michael Burke, Rector – Michael@GodsView.org

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MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

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

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PREACHER: The Rev. Ross McKay

READERS: Marcia Nattrass and Crystal Hyde

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Sherrie Simmonds

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE: Amy Gruber

THE ST. MARY'S CHOIR, directed by Annie Nilsson

ORGAN: Suzette Scialfa

CANTOR: Joey Butcher

MEDIA SPECIALISTS: Shade DuDey and (TBD)

GATHERING IN THE NAME OF GOD

PRELUDE • *Solvejg's Song, by Grieg* • Suzette Scialfa, organ

WELCOME • The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gomez

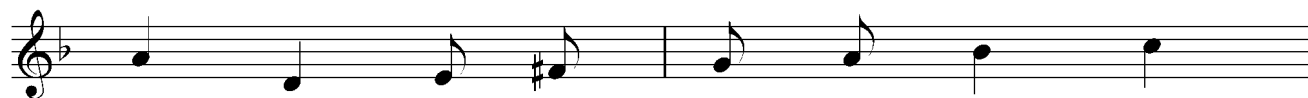
***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** • *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song* • Hymnal #513



1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the
2 To the mem - bers of Christ's Bo - dy, to the
3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the



chal - lenge of her flight, like the vig - or of the
branch - es of the Vine, to the Church in faith as -
cease - less voice of prayer, with the power to love and



wind's rush, like the new flame's ea - ger
sem - bled, to her midst as gift and
wit - ness, with the peace be - yond com -

***GLORIA • Glory to God in the Highest • Wonder, Love, and Praise #901**



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to

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.

a little slower

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.

a tempo

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -

lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest God be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Priest Let us pray.

Priest God of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.
Amen.

FIRST READING • Jeremiah 15:15-21

Reader A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

O Lord, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.
In your forbearance do not take me away;
know that on your account I suffer insult.
Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart;
for I am called by your name,
O Lord, God of hosts.
I did not sit in the company of merrymakers,
nor did I rejoice;
under the weight of your hand I sat alone,
for you had filled me with indignation.
Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?
Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail.

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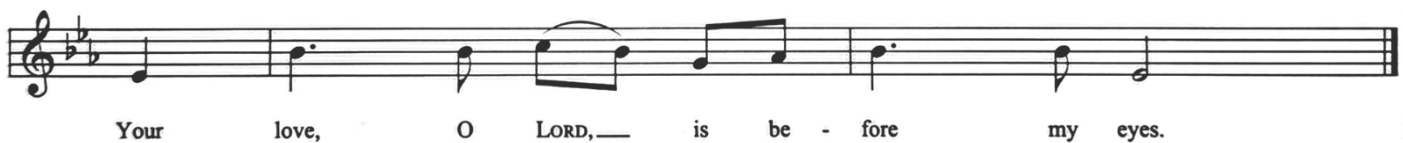
Therefore, thus says the Lord:
 If you turn back, I will take you back,
 and you shall stand before me.
 If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,
 you shall serve as my mouth.
 It is they who will turn to you,
 not you who will turn to them.
 And I will make you to this people
 a fortified wall of bronze;
 they will fight against you,
 but they shall not prevail over you,
 for I am with you
 to save you and deliver you,
 says the Lord.
 I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
 and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

PSALM 26: 1-8 • Joey Butcher, cantor

ANTIPHON – “Your love, O Lord, is before my eyes.”



- 1 Give judgment for me, O Lord,
 for I have lived with integrity;
 I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
- 2 Test me, O Lord, and try me;
 examine my heart and my mind.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

- 3 For your love is before my eyes;
 I have walked faithfully with you.
- 4 I have not sat with the worthless,
 nor do I consort with the deceitful.

5 I have hated the company of evildoers;
I will not sit down with the wicked.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord,
that I may go in procession round your altar,
7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
8 Lord, I love the house in which you dwell
and the place where your glory abides.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

SECOND READING • Romans 12:9-21

Reader A Reading from the Book of Romans.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

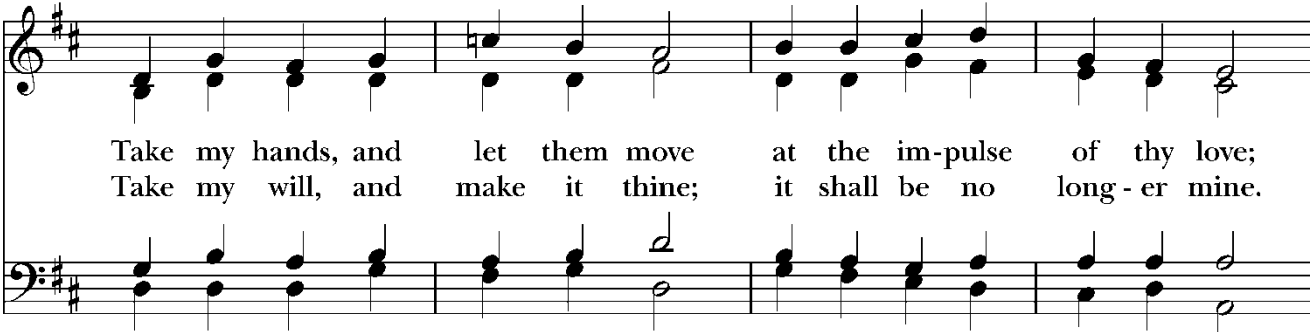
*GOSPEL HYMN • *Take My Life and Let it Be* • Hymnal #707



1 Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;



take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease - less praise.
 take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.



Take my hands, and let them move at the im-pulse of thy love;
 Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long - er mine.



take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.
 Take my - self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

***GOSPEL • Matthew 16:21-28**

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

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

Priest Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON • The Rev. Ross McKay



***NICENE CREED • BCP, p. 358**

*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 worshipped 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.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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;

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;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and those in need.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop; and all bishops and ministers;

For all who serve God in the 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.

The People may add their own thanksgivings, aloud or via chat boxes

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.

The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Silence may be kept.

A priest says 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

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OFFERTORY HYMN • *Servant Song*

*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!*

*PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Priest All things come of thee, O Lord.
People *And of thine own have we given thee.*

*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 • Wonder, Love, and Praise #858



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

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;
 so we violated your creation,
 mistreated 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.” 

Priest 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.** 

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Priest And now, in the words our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, each in the language of their own heart:

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.*

INUPIAQ VERSION

Aapavut qilangmiittuatiin,
iñuich qiksigilisin.
Ilivich atanniqsimakkich iñupayaat.
Iñupayaat pilich pisuutignik nunami,
qilangmi pisuutignik piruatun.
Aitchuqtigut uvlupak niqiksraptingnik.
Suli suliqutigingaikkich itqaumayumiñaigglugich
piluutivut,
Uvagattauq suliqutigingaiggmataun
itqaumayumiñaiqtugich tamatkua piluksiruat
uvaptingnun.
Suli iktligutchaktinniaktinnatigut,
annautilutalu piluktuamiñ.
Qanuq ilivich umialgurutin suangngatiqaqtlutin
kamanautiqaqtlutillu isuitchuamun. **Amen.**

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.

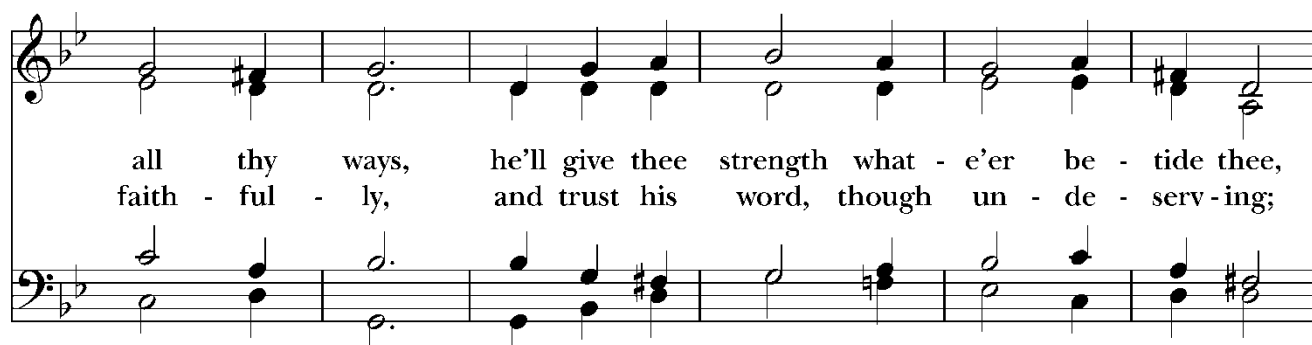
It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more.

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 • *If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee* • Hymnal #635*Unison or harmony*

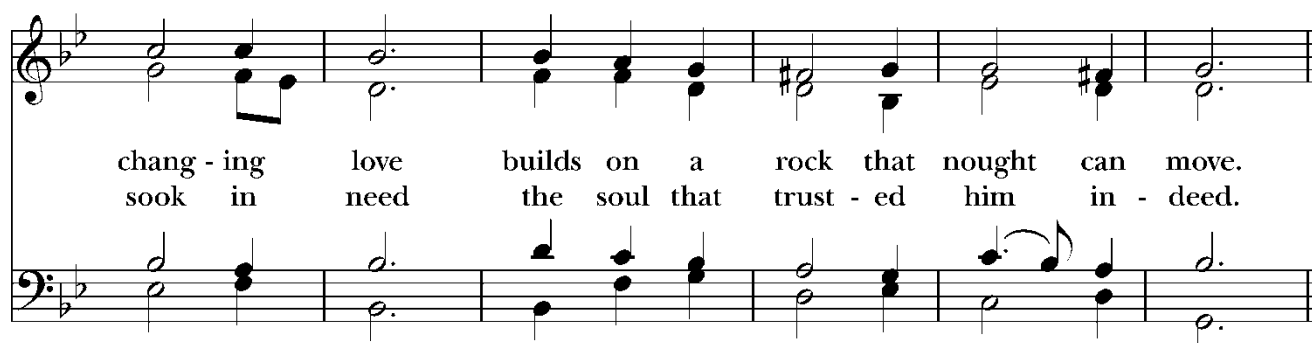

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through
2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part



all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,
faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;



and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -
thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -



chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.
sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

COMMUNION HYMN • *Gracious Spirit, Give Your Servants* • WLP #782

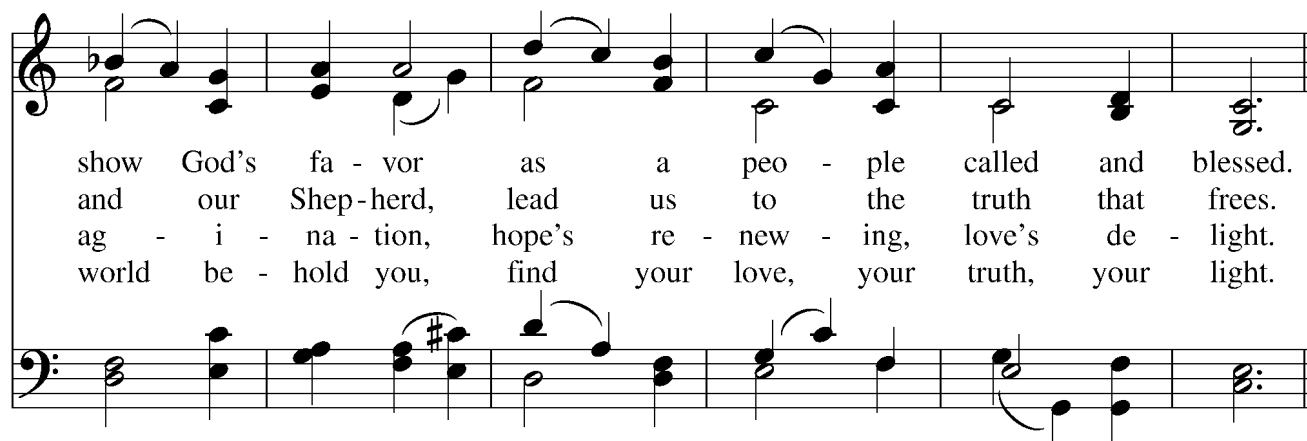
1. Gra - cious Spir - it, give your ser - vants joy to set sin's
 2. Word made flesh, who gave up glo - ry to be - come our
 3. Lov - ing God, who birthed cre - a - tion from the noth - ing -
 4. Tri - une God, e - ter - nal Be - ing, nev - er end - ing,

cap - tives free, hope to heal the bro - ken - heart - ed,
 great high priest, tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture
 ness of space, kin - dling life where all was emp - ty,
 un - be - gun, bound - less grace and per - fect jus - tice,

peace to share love's li - ber - ty. Through us bring your balm of
 to re - deem the last and least: let your cour - age and com -
 turn - ing cha - os in - to grace: when we feel con - fused and
 right - eous and for - giv - ing One: so en - fold us in you

glad - ness to the wound - ed and op - pressed; help us claim and
 pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries; as our Sav - ior
 fruit - less, dawn up - on our rest - less night; give us faith's im -
 mer - cy that our wills and yours u - nite; through us may the

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THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

After Communion, a priest says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and people

Loving God,

we give you thanks

for restoring us in your image

and nourishing us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

Now send us forth

a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;

that we may proclaim your love to the world

and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

A priest gives a 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 of 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.

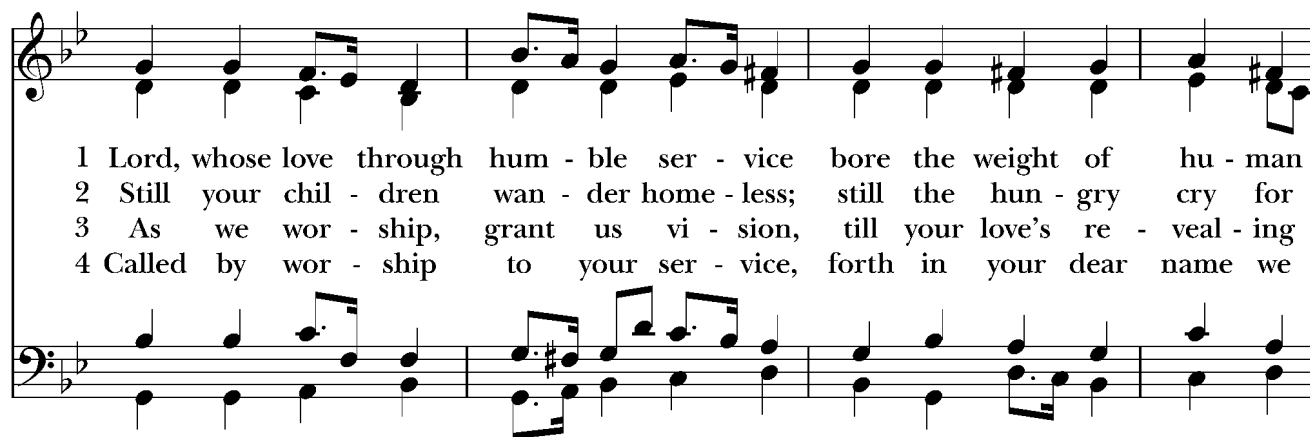
BLESSING SONG

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.*

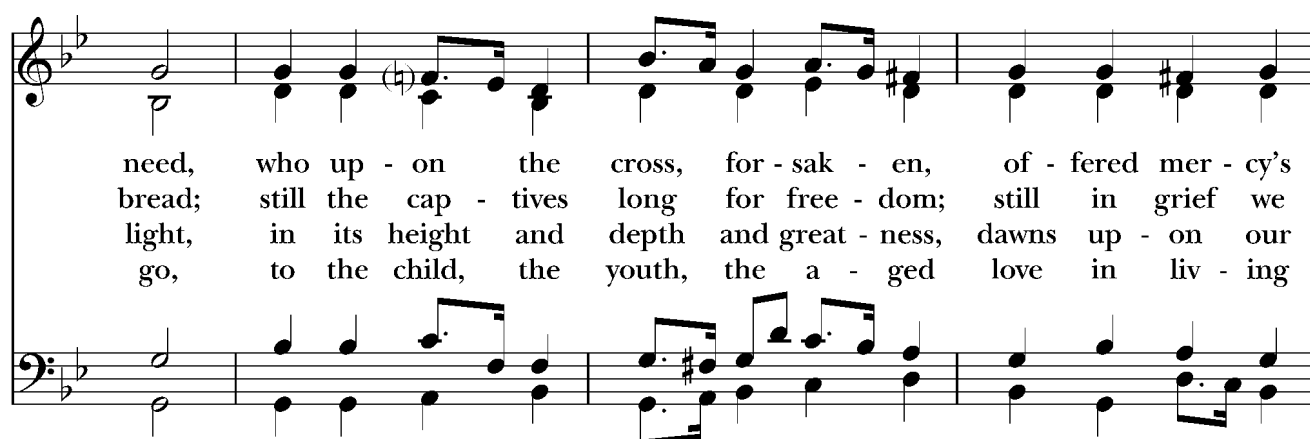
**Spirit of Peace [second verse]*

***RECESSIONAL HYMN • Lord Whose Love Through Humble Service, v. 1, 3, 4 •**
Hymnal #610

-Recessional Hymn on next page-



1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we



need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's
 bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we
 light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our
 go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing



per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship
 mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion
 quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens
 deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,



not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing
 healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your
 your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to
 coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,



to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.
 Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.
 tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE • *Basse es Dessus de Trompette*, by Clerambault • Suzette Scialfa, organ

Join us immediately after the 10 am service for Fellowship Hour and coffee, tea, or espresso from Jesus Java.

And of course, donuts!

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Announcements and Coming Events

Dancing with the Spirit

Today at 11:30 in Waldron Hall

Dancing with the Spirit has been sharing the relationship-building power of music with communities across Alaska for over 20 years, and have plans for many more decades of joyful work. Come learn about them today!

First Sunday Breakfasts are Back in September!

9 am, Sunday September 6

Church breakfasts are back! The Community Building committee invites you to breakfast in Waldron Hall between the 8 and 10 am services on the first Sunday of each month.

Ministry Fair Returns This September!

Sunday September 20

At St. Mary's, the ministers aren't just the priests – we are all ministers! What's your ministry? Are you looking for a ministry? Come to the Ministry Fair on September 20 to share your calling, or find a new one!

Friday Afternoon Bible Study

Fridays at 1 pm starting September 11

Friday afternoon Bible study returns with a continuation of the book of Acts, plus a study of Paul's letters and his extensive travels in Asia Minor and the eastern Mediterranean.

This Week at St. Mary's

Sunday, August 30

- 11:20 am Fellowship Hour - Waldron Hall
- 11:30 am Dancing with the Spirit - Waldron Hall
- 1 pm Eucaristía en español - Sanctuary
- 4 pm Evening Prayer - Sanctuary

Monday, August 31

- 6 pm Fierce Women Book Study - Waldron Hall

Tuesday, September 1

- 7 pm Children's Formation Team - Cay's Room

Wednesday, September 2

- 7 am [Service of Holy Eucharist](#) - Sanctuary & online
- 6 pm Cub Scouts - Waldron Hall

Thursday, September 3

- 7 am Men's Group - Waldron Hall
- 6 pm Youth Game Night - Waldron Hall
- 7 pm [Bible Explorers](#) - Online

Friday, September 4

No scheduled church events

Saturday, September 5

No scheduled church events

Sunday, September 6

- 8 am Service of Holy Eucharist - Chapel
- 9 am First Sunday Breakfast - Waldron Hall
- 10 am [Service of Holy Eucharist](#) - Sanctuary & online
- 11:20 am Fellowship Hour - Waldron Hall
- 11:30 am Youth Ministry Team - Cay's Room
- 4 pm Evening Prayer - Sanctuary