

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
June 28, 2020 | 10:00am

The people's responses are in bold.

OPENING VOLUNTARY Tierce en Taille

L. Marchand

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

We ask our in-person congregation to refrain from singing during today's music selections in order to abide by safety guidelines. Our choir will sing the hymns and service music on behalf of all of us. We invite those worshiping at home to join the choir in singing.

Please stand, as you are able, for the Opening Hymn.

OPENING HYMN • 436 vv. 1, 4, & 5 Life up your heads, ye mighty gates

Truro

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;
behold the King of glory waits!
The King of kings is drawing near;
the Savior of the world is here.

So come, my Sovereign; enter in!
Let new and nobler life begin;
thy Holy Spirit guide us on,
until the glorious crown be won.

Redeemer, come! I open wide
my heart to thee: here, Lord, abide!
Let me thy inner presence feel:
thy grace and love in me reveal.

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

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p.355

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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.**

A SONG OF PRAISE Glory to God: *Gloria in excelsis*

(Hymn S280) Powell

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE READING

Genesis 22:1–14

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 13

Chant by P. Hayes

Chanted by the choir

- 1 How long, O Lord?
will you forget me for ever?
how long will you hide your face from me?
- 2 How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,
and grief in my heart, day after day?
how long shall my enemy triumph over me?
- 3 Look upon me and answer me, O Lord my God;
give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;
- 4 Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him,"
and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.
- 5 But I put my trust in your mercy;
my heart is joyful because of your saving help.
- 6 I will sing to the Lord, for he has dealt with me richly;
I will praise the Name of the Lord Most High.

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Margery Kennelly

Please stand, as you are able, for the Creed.

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.**

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.
 We pray for our President Donald, our Governor Bill, our Mayor John, for the members of our parish in the armed forces serving our country, and for our enemies and those who wish us harm.

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 the needy.
 We pray for those who are ill, especially Reba Barker, Anne Carter Brothers, Betty Graham, Lynn Grassmeyer, Lois Holt, Marge Maxwell, Justine Parker-Jones, Mary Knox Pilkerton, Acra Samuels, Betty Cook Sanders, Tim Stinson, and Mary Ready Taylor. We pray especially for all who are affected by coronavirus, either through illness or isolation or anxiety, that they may find relief and recovery.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, and John our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the United Church of North India.
 In the Diocese of Tennessee, we pray for St. Matthew's Church, McMinnville and Thistle Farms.
 In the community, we pray for Nashville Korean Presbyterian Church and Buena Vista Elementary School.
 In Our Parish, we pray for our Laymen and our Duke Divinity School Summer Intern Cody Turner.

We invite your prayers for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray in thanksgiving for the marriage of Asley Smith and Roy Hasle. We pray in thanksgiving for the birth of Liam Charles Connolly, son of Molly and Matthew Connolly.

Silence

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

We pray for all who have died, especially Harvey Gleason, father of Laura Crawford, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

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.

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.

THE ABSOLUTION

BCP, p. 360

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

BCP, p. 360

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please be seated for the Offertory.

THE OFFERTORY

Lead me, Lord

S.S. Wesley

*Lead me, Lord lead me in Thy righteousness; make Thy way plain before my face.
For it is Thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.*

AT THE PRESENTATION The Doxology

(Hymn 380, verse 3) Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise
him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer A*

BCP, p. 361

The Lord 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 him thanks and praise.

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

The celebrant says a Proper Preface.

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:

The choir sings Holy, holy, holy

(Hymnal S129) Powell

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

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:

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

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. **Amen.**

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

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE FRACTION ANTHEM

BCP, p. 364

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

NOTES ON RECEIVING COMMUNION Please stay standing at your seats. A priest will come to you to administer the bread. According to safety guidelines, the cup will not be offered. All baptized Christians are invited to receive the sacrament, regardless of age or denomination. Those who have not been baptized are welcome to a blessing. You may indicate your desire for a blessing by simply crossing your arms over your chest. When you have received the bread, please be seated.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

HYMN • 469 There's a wideness in God's mercy
Sung by the choir

St. Helena

There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice,
which is more than liberty.
There is welcome for the sinner,
and more graces for the good;
there is mercy with the Savior;
there is healing in his blood.

For the love of God is broader
than the measure of the mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful,
we should take him at his word;
and our life would be thanksgiving
for the goodness of the Lord.

There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heaven;
there is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgment given.
There is plentiful redemption
in the blood that has been shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the Head.

Please stand, as you are able.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 365

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN • 296 vv. 1, 2, & 4 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

Engelberg

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
Embraced by death he broke its fearful hold;
and our despair he turned to blazing joy.
Alleluia!

A new creation comes to life and grows
as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.
The universe restored and whole will sing:
Alleluia! Amen.

We share by water in his saving death.
Reborn we share with him an Easter life
as living members of a living Christ.
Alleluia!

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Prelude in A Minor, BWV 543

J.S. Bach

In order to comply with current COVID-19 guidelines, we ask that you wear a mask the entire time you are in the church and practice safe social distancing. Please do not congregate in Hampton Hall after the service. If you wish to talk with fellow parishioners, please move outside. Thank you.

WORSHIP NOTES

Clergy The Rev. Dr. R. Leigh Spruill, celebrant; the Rev. Margery Kennelly, preacher; and the Rev. Richard Kew

The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God.

The aumbry candle in the church this week is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of John Franklin Williams, Jr. by Lucy, Caroline, George, Nathan, Grace, and David Johnson.

The aumbry candle in Jane Tompkins Weeks Chapel this week is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Frank Kyle.

MUSIC NOTE *Lead me Lord* by Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876) is well-known for its simple beauty with the text being highlighted by the clear musical lines. Related to Charles Wesley who is one of the most influential hymn writers in history, S.S. Wesley's middle name was given in honor of Johann Sebastian Bach. Wesley begins the anthem with a soloist followed by the choir in a harmonized version of the melody, which allows the listener to really meditate on the text. During Communion the choir will sing a hymn, "There is wideness in God's mercy" set to the tune St. Helena, by American composer Calvin Hampton (1938-1984). Hampton was the leading sacred musician in the country during his lifetime. His tune St. Helena beautifully expresses the hymn with complex accompaniment and flowing rhythm. Overall, it creates a soothing and comforting musical atmosphere that uplifts the text.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Healing Prayer Phone Calls For personal healing prayer over the phone, call 615-385-215 directly following the service. Our prayer ministry team will respond between 11:00 and 11:30am on Sunday morning.

Summer Sunset Service Sunday, July 28 at 7:00pm Summer is here! Let's celebrate the blessings of this beautiful season and enjoy the waning hours of sunlight together at our first Summer Sunset Service. On Sunday, June 28, at 7:00pm, St. George's will offer a worship service in our parking lot with two ways to attend. Those who choose may worship in or next to their cars by making a reservation at stgeorgesnashville.org/worshiptimes for one of our 40 car slots. Others may bring their chairs or blankets, park in the lower parking lots, and walk up to sit together on the left side of the parking lot—no reservation necessary! Reservations are *only* necessary for those wishing to park in the upper lot and remain close to their car during the service. We look forward to seeing you there!

Summer Sunday Bible Study: Abraham and Sarah Abraham and Sarah were a couple who were pioneers when walking the way of faith. They are an example of how two people sought to be faithful in a different time than our own, and yet are still a towering example to us. This ten week Zoom course will be on Sundays through August 16 at 9:00am and will be taught by the Rev. Richard Kew. Go to stgeorgesnashville.org/sundayschool to join.

Youth Sunday School at 9:00am For the next several weeks we will be studying the life of Joseph in Genesis and examining all the lessons that we can learn from this amazing story of God working in the midst of difficulties. Each week we will post a teaching video to our Youtube Channel as well as discussion questions and a prayer guide! We'd love to have you participate as we see how this encouraging story speaks to our present moment! Go to stgeorgesnashville.org/youth to participate.

Children's Sunday School at 9:00am We're excited to announce we now have a 25-minute Bible Time for children on Sunday mornings. For those in grades preschool-1st grade, we will meet via Zoom from 9:00-9:25am and for those in grades 2nd - 6th, we will meet from 9:30-9:55am. This will be a time of fun, including a game or interactive activity, a Bible story, prayer, and a chance to connect with God and one another. Make sure to check your inboxes or contact Cate Jones at cate.jones@stgeorgesnashville.org for the Zoom meeting link.

Weekday Holy Eucharist Returns On Thursday, July 2 we will begin offering a 7:00am Service of Holy Eucharist as we did pre-COVID-19. This service will be offered every Tuesday and Thursday in July. We will not require sign-ups for these services. We do ask that you wear a mask and practice social-distancing at the services. Please enter the building via the North Entrance or the Chapel side door.

St. George's Farmers Market Thursdays 3:30 - 6:00pm It's time for fresh veggies, fruit, meats, fish, and much more! Due to COVID-19, current Market guidelines for a safe shopping environment are wear a mask, maintain social distance of 6 feet, keep hands clean and avoid touching face, stay home if you are sick or have a fever, refrain from touching products - please point or say your selection, leave reusable bags at home, and credit card or pre-order payment preferred. Go to stgeorgesnashville.org/farmersmarket for more information.

St. George's Is Being Church in Our Neighborhoods What a blessing it is to be able to gather safely for communion and community. At a time when folks may feel uncomfortable with traditional in-person worship, St. George's Neighborhood Groups are a great opportunity to encounter the life-giving experience of worship in our backyards—and much more! Neighborhood groups are forming to “Be Church in Our Neighborhoods.” If you are interested in learning more or in being connected with a group, contact Martha Rodes at martha.rodess@stgeorgesnashville.org.

Introducing St. George's ROGUES Do you or a family member need legal, financial, real estate, or other business support? St. George's ROGUES (Retired Old Guys Unpaid Executive Services) can help guide you! This group of retirees brings together a variety of skills and expertise for sharing. For more information, contact Richard Kew at richard.kew@stgeorgesnashville.org or Frank Hammer at frankhammer@comcast.net.

Prime Time Speakers Series Returns Virtually Join us on your computer or phone Thursday, July 16 at noon for Norma Shirk, history buff and blogger, who will surprise you with facts about “Tennessee, a Key State in the Military History of Our Country.” Seniors will receive an email the morning of the talk with directions on accessing the video, which will be available on our YouTube channel. Mark your calendar to participate from the comfort of your home.

2021 Outreach Funding Applications Now Available If you know of a non-profit ministry or agency that would like to receive an application, please contact Sandra Beld at 615-385-2150 x 246 or sandra.beld@stgeorgesnashville.org or pick one up in the church office. All funding applications must be returned to Sandra Beld by Monday, August 3 to be considered for 2021 funds.

Stewardship Thanks to all those who continue to support the church through regular giving and by keeping your pledge payments up to date. You can continue to give online, via Realm, or in the offering plates at in person Sunday services. If you would like to continue to pay by check, please mail checks to St. George’s Episcopal Church, 4715 Harding Road, Nashville, TN, 37205. We are grateful for the support of our parish that enables us to offer meaningful services, teachings, and resources for our St. George’s community. Contact Catherine Beemer, Director of Parish Giving, if you have questions about giving at catherine.beemer@stgeorgesnashville.org.

Access the New Online Directory Visit onrealm.org/stgeorges or download the Realm Connect mobile app to log in to your Realm account. Find the search bar at the top of the screen to type in the name of a person. (Spelling counts!) If they’ve joined the online directory, their information will be available. Don’t have an account? No problem - just go to onrealm.org/stgeorges to register as a new user. Questions? Contact Martha Rodes at martha.rodes@stgeorgesnashville.org.

Bible Reading Plan for July and August Available Our Bible reading plan organizes the lectionary readings into a pattern of daily readings and provides a way for parishioners to deepen their knowledge of the Bible, prepare for Sunday worship, and become more familiar with the enduring themes of the church calendar. To receive a weekly email message from clergy, join the Bible Reading Plan group in Realm or contact Rebecca Teel at rebecca.teel@stgeorgesnashville.org. For more information and a reading list, visit stgeorgesnashville.org/biblereadingplan.

Inreach Shepherd for July | Michelle Cudd, 615-804-2833

Next Sunday’s Readings:
The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
July 5, 2020
Genesis 24:34–38, 42–49, 58–67
Psalm 45:11–18
Romans 7:15–25a
Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30



CONSTRUCTION CORNER

The roof is currently being installed on Legacy Hall as well as the brick skin of the building and both should be complete by mid-July. The structural work is complete on the second floor expansion and the roof is set to be installed this month. Virtually all of the drywall work on the ceiling and the walls of the Nave is now complete and painting has begun. In addition, the mechanical work under the floor of the Nave is complete.

Visit stgeorgesnashville.org/legacy for the latest information about construction.

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