

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
July 26, 2020 | 10:00am

The people's responses are in bold.

OPENING VOLUNTARY Adagio in F

John Stanley

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 worshipping at home to join the choir in singing.

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

OPENING HYMN • 410 vv. 1 and 4 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

Lauda anima

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

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 *Benedictus es, Domine*

(Hymn S236) Rutter

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths;
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, p. 231

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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

Romans 8:26–39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 105:1–4

Chant by H. Smart

Chanted by the choir

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him,
and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in his holy Name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
- 4 Search for the Lord and his strength;
continually seek his face.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Another parable Jesus put before the crowds: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened. The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it

ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Colin Ambrose

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, Betty Graham, Lois Holt, Marge Maxwell, Alex McLeod, Susan Narramore, Justine Parker-Jones, Virginia Potter, 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 team preparing for the Lambeth Conference and for the implications of its postponement.

In the Diocese of Tennessee, we pray for St. Luke's Community House, Nashville.

In the community, we pray for St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church and Buena Vista Elementary School.

In Our Parish, we pray for our Lay Readers 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 birth of Benjamin Hobson Vogel, son of Sarah and Stephen Vogel.

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 Robert Joesph Young, father of Kathy King, 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.

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

Ave Verum

W.A. Mozart

Sung by the Virtual Choir of St. George's

Ave verum Corpus natum de Maria Virgine:
Vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine:
Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine:
Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

*Jesus, Saviour, we behold thee, Mary's Son in bread and wine revealed:
Born and suffered, for us offered, thy cross all our wounds hath healed.
From thy body pierced and broken, came forth water and precious blood:
Be to us by thy example in death's hour of trial our food.*

AT THE PRESENTATION The Doxology

(Hymn 380, verse 3) Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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 S125) Proulx

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

Come, Holy Ghost

T. Attwood

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, and lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art, who dost Thy sevenfold gifts impart:
Thy blessed unction from above is comfort, life and fire of love.

Enable with perpetual light the dullness of our blinded sight:
Anoint and cheer our soiled face with the abundance of Thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at home; where Thou art Guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son, and Thee, of both to be but One;
That through the ages all along this may be our endless song,
Praise to Thy eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

O worship the King, all glorious above!
O gratefully sing his power and his love!
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
thy mercies, how tender! how firm to the end!
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Sir Edward's Constitutional

Geoffrey Atkinson

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.

Baptized today at The Table:
Elizabeth Halliday Stephens, daughter of Sara and Byron Stephens

WORSHIP NOTES

Clergy The Rev. Dr. R. Leigh Spruill, celebrant; the Rev. Colin Ambrose, preacher; and the Ven. Dr. Martin Odidi
Verger David Puryear
Lector Ella Redkevitch
Prayers Jason Callen
Ushers Jeff Sullivan and Doris Matthews

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 Lenore and Warren Taylor by the Scruggs Family.



YOUR GENEROSITY AT WORK ST. GEORGE'S FARMERS MARKET

St. George's Farmer's Market continues to bless the church and community this summer. Did you know that a percentage of sales at the market is given to local organizations to support their work? Most recently a gift was given to the Nashville Food Project, which brings people together to grow, cook, and share nourishing food with the goals of cultivating community and alleviating hunger in our city. So far average attendance at the market has been nearly 300 per week. Your gifts to the church enable us to continue this ministry that supports outreach, and gives small businesses an opportunity to thrive. Thank you for your continued generosity to the church.

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.

Prayer Partnership Campaign We are launching a new initiative this summer to have all our youth and children paired with an adult within the church in prayer who will commit to praying for them for an entire school year. We believe that prayer has power. Our vision is that this will create a culture of prayer, mentorship, and intergenerational relationships within our church community that will enrich and build up the lives of both our youth and adults. If you would like to be an adult Prayer Partner or have your child be part of this campaign please register at stgeorgesnashville.org/prayerpartnership.

Volunteers Needed Looking for a way to be out of the house in a safe environment? Look no further than the St. George's Farmers Market! We are looking for ambassadors to serve on Thursdays from 2:30 – 4:30pm through the end of August. Duties include helping people find what they are looking for and answering questions about St. George's. Volunteer as many days as you want. Masks are required and so is social distancing. Contact Ron Rossini at randb@comcast.net if you would like to help out.

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 Each Sunday we will put out a Sunday School video at 9:00am on our YouTube Channel with a companion discussion guide to facilitate family conversation and prayer. This week our class is "Reconcile: A Look at the Bible, Race, and the Image of God." Go to stgeorgesnashville.org/youth to participate.

Weekday Holy Eucharist We are now 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.

Summer Sunset Service Sunday, August 9, 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 Summer Sunset Service. 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 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. We look forward to seeing you there! Reservations are required for those wishing to park in the upper lot and remain close to their car. Reservations are optional for those planning to walk up to the open seating area. After making a reservation, you will have an opportunity to opt-in for weather-related text updates about our outdoor services.

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.rodes@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.

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.

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 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 3, 2020

Genesis 32:22-31

Psalms 17:1-7, 16

Romans 9:1-5

Matthew 14:13-21



CONSTRUCTION CORNER

The roof is currently being installed on Legacy Hall as well as the brick skin of the building. The floor slab should be complete by mid-July followed by installation of the duct work. The second floor expansion now has a roof! In the Nave, the focus is now on the Chancel, the area behind the altar rail. The framing of the new walls to house the organ is near completion and the new organ is being manufactured

in the U.S. and Germany.

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

STAFF MINISTRY TEAM

The Rev. Dr. R. Leigh Spruill, Rector
The Rev. Colin Ambrose, Vice Rector
The Rev. David Barr, Assoc. Rector
The Rev. Margery Kennelly, Assoc. Rector
The Rev. Richard Kew, Priest Assoc.
The Ven. Dr. Martin Odidi, Priest Assoc.
The Rev. Tim Taylor, Priest Assoc.
The Rev. Roger Senechal, Senior Ministries

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