

**SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**OCTOBER 23, 2016 — 23ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II — 10:00 A.M.**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

*The opening music offers a time for prayer and meditation. Please silence all devices.*

**GATHERING MUSIC** *Processional* Ernest Bloch

*Please stand, as able, at the sound of the chimes.*

**OPENING ACCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**HYMNAL #637** *How Firm a Foundation* LYONS

**COLLECT FOR PURITY** *(said by all)*

*All* **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** Robert Powell

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
 Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.** *Please be seated after the Collect.*

**FIRST READING Joel 2:23-32** *(pew Bible, p. 832)*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 65** *(sung by all)*

*Choir*  
 1 You are to be praised, O / God, in / Zion; \*  
 to you shall / vows be • per- / formed in • Je- / rusalem.  
 2 To you that hear prayer shall / all flesh / come, \*  
 Be- / cause of / their trans- / gressions.

*All* **3 Our sins are / stronger • than / we are, \* but / you will / blot them / out.**  
**4 Happy are they whom you choose**  
**and draw to your / courts to / dwell there! \***  
**they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,**  
**by the / holi-ness / of your / temple.**

**5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,**  
**O / God of • our sal- / vation, \***  
**O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the / seas • that are / far a- / way.**

**6 You make fast the / mountains • by your / power; \***  
**they are / girded • a- / bout with / might.**  
**7 You still the / roaring • of the / seas, \***  
**the roaring of their waves, and the / cla-mor / of the / peoples.**

**8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble**  
**at your / marvel-ous / signs; \***  
**you make the dawn and the / dusk to / sing for / joy.**  
**9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you**  
**make it / ver-y / plenteous; \* the river of / God is / full of / water.**

**10 You pre- / pare the / grain, \* for / so you • pro- / vide for • the / earth.**  
**11 You drench the furrows and / smooth out • the / ridges; \***  
**with heavy rain you soften the / ground and / bless its / increase.**

**12 You crown the / year with • your / goodness, \***  
**and your / paths • over- / flow with / plenty.**  
**13 May the fields of the wilderness be / rich for / grazing, \***  
**and the / hills be / clothed with / joy.**

**14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the**  
**valleys / cloak them -selves with / grain; \***  
**let them / shout for / joy and / sing. (slowing at end)**

**SECOND READING 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18** *(pew Bible, p. 1087-8)*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand, as able, for the Alleluia verse and Gospel.*

**Antiphon** *Cantor, then All*

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**GOSPEL Luke 18: 9-14** *(pew Bible, p. 957-8)*

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON**  
*A period of silence is observed following the sermon.*

**NICENE CREED** Book of Common Prayer, p. 358 *standing, if able*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** *standing or kneeling*

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* Gracious God:  
*All* **By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him, that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.**  
*(Collect for St. John's)*

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
*All* **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 our selves. 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.**

*Celebrant* 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.  
*People* **Amen.** *Please be seated.*

*Ushers and members of the Altar Guild are invited to come forward.*

**THE COMMISSIONING**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
*People* **There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in everyone.**

*Celebrant* Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly;  
*People* **Do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus.**

*Celebrant* Look with favor upon those whom you have called, O Lord, to prepare for worship and serve in your Church; and grant that they may be so filled with your Holy Spirit that, seeking your glory, they may minister your Word with steadfast devotion, through Christ our Savior.  
*People* **Amen.**

**THE PEACE** *standing, if able*  
*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**People** **And also with you.**

*You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with those around you.*

**WELCOME** *Please be seated.*

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*All are invited to share at the Lord's table. At the altar railing you may stand or kneel to receive the bread and the wine. You may drink from the cup or touch the bread to the wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing you may indicate so by crossing your arms. The common loaf is gluten-free.*

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

**ANTHEM** *Hear the Voice and Prayer* Thomas Tallis  
 (Text: 1 Kings 8: 28-30 - pew Bible p. 308-9)

**PRESENTATION** *sung by all, standing if able* OLD HUNDREDTH  
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
 Praise Him all creatures here below.  
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A** *The prayer may be followed in the BCP on p. 361.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
**People** **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
**People** **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People** **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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

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:

**SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS** *sung by all* Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Please remain standing or kneel, according to your custom.*

*Celebrant* Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; ...

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

*Celebrant* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father... 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.

**People** **AMEN.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

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

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

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.

**DISTRIBUTION**

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

**VIOLA SOLO** *Meditation* Ernest Bloch

**HYMNAL #641** *Lord Jesus, Think On Me* SOUTHWELL

**HYMNAL #665** *All My Hope On God Is Founded* MICHAEL

**HYMNAL #517** *How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place* BROTHER JAMES' AIR

**HYMNAL #314** *Humbly I Adore Thee* ADORO DEVOTE

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER** *said by all, kneeling or standing*

**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.**

*Please stand as able for the closing hymn.*

**HYMNAL #686** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* NETTLETON

**BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

*Deacon* Our worship here is ended; now let our service begin. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**VOLUNTARY** *Improvisation on "Nettleton"* Jayson R. Engquist

*You are invited to listen to the voluntary in the choir stalls.*

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**TODAY WE PRAY WITH**

Max, Gillian, Jim, Ginny, Wimpy, Mae, Burt, Mitch, Don, Erica, Bill, Kathleen, Mildred, Joan, Patricia, Norma, Amy, Kay, Jack, Irene, Mary Ellen, George, the Bushiri family, Monica, Steve, Ginny and Jack, Camille, Susan, Christopher, Tom Stanley and his platoon serving in Iraq, Sydney, Sara, Caroline, Hank, Sandy, refugees and those who serve them, all whose lives have been shattered by violence and injustice, the system that treats and supports those who live with mental illness, and those you would add.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

In thanksgiving for the lives of Mary Ann Horn, Mr. & Mrs. H. E. Horn, Melissa Leigh Mosvick.

**ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE**

**CELEBRANT** *The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson*  
**PREACHER** *The Reverend Kate Bradtmiller*  
**ALTAR GUILD** *Diane Power, Colleen Swope, Paige Hagstrom, Sue MacIntosh, Ginny Schauss, Sarah K. Smith*  
**ADULT CHOIR** *Jayson R. Engquist, Director of Music & Organist*  
**VIOLIST** *Walter Cogswell*  
**ACOLYTES** *Caroline Krall, Linnea Krall, Sabine Krall, Ailsa Schmidt*  
**READERS** *Paige Hagstrom, Keith Davis*  
**VERGER** *Joan Potter*  
**USHERS & GREETERS** *Mary Gilbertson, Jeff Olsen, Barbara Lindeke, Shirley Sailors, Cammie Beattie, Mary Ellen Elliott, Judy Stack-Nelson*  
**COFFEE HOUR** *Ian & Liz Dobson*

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