



THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER 2024

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II
10:15 A.M.

Prelude *Prelude on Rhosymedre* R. Vaughan Williams

Processional Hymn 583 "O holy city, seen of John" *Morning Song*

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity p. 355

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: S278 "Glory to God" William Mathias

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 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. 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 Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - - - - men.

The Collect of the Day

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Job 38:1–7, 34–41

The Holy Bible; *NRSV*, p. 474

Commentary: Job believed that God governed humankind on the basis of retribution, meaning God blesses good people and punishes bad people. However, the Book of Job reveals that God's sovereign choice to bless or discipline is not determined by human will or actions. God began His speech by challenging Job's understanding of God's ways. God's rhetorical questions demonstrated to Job the limits of human wisdom and knowledge. Since Job could not comprehend God's ways with nature, he obviously could not understand or control God's dealings with people.

The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: “Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?”

“Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, ‘Here we are’? Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? Who has the wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together? “Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?”

The Word of the Lord.

People

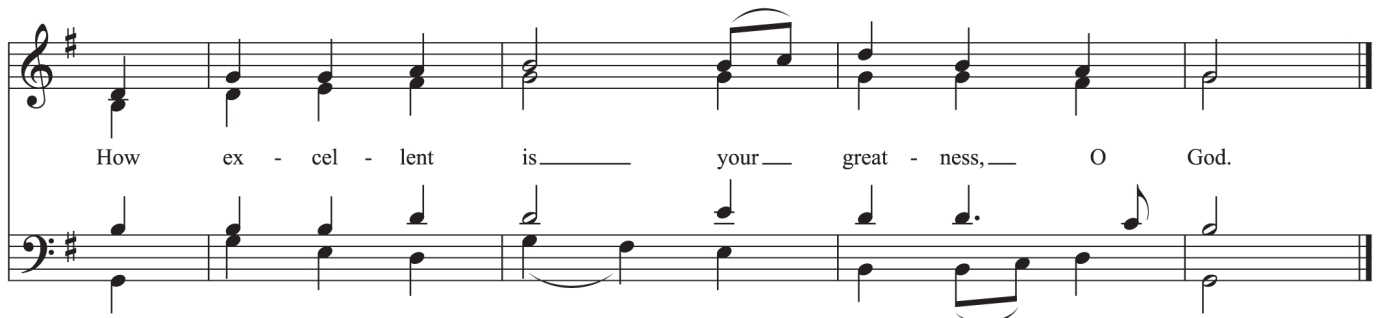
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:1–9, 25, 37b

Benedic, anima mea

Antiphon

The antiphon is first sung by the Choir, then repeated by all



1 Bless the LORD, O my soul; *
O LORD my God, how excellent is your greatness!
you are clothed with majesty and splendor.

2 You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak *
and spread out the heavens like a curtain.

ANTIPHON

3 You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above; *
you make the clouds your chariot;
you ride on the wings of the wind.

4 You make the winds your messengers *
and flames of fire your servants.

5 You have set the earth upon its foundations, *
so that it never shall move at any time.

ANTIPHON

6 You covered it with the Deep as with a mantle; *
the waters stood higher than the mountains.

7 At your rebuke they fled; *
at the voice of your thunder they hastened away.

8 They went up into the hills and down
to the valleys beneath, *
to the places you had appointed for them.

9 You set the limits that they should not pass; *
they shall not again cover the earth.

ANTIPHON

25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

37b Hallelujah!

ANTIPHON

The Epistle: Hebrews 5:1–10

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Commentary: The author of Hebrews contrasted the superiority of Jesus' perfect, eternal priesthood with the flawed, human priesthood that preceded it. The high priest was expected to stand between God and the people as their representative before the Lord. A high priest needed to be compassionate, not indifferent to moral lapses but not harsh. The writer stressed the essential humility of the high priest, who held that privileged position only by divine decree. The same God who appointed Jesus as His Son also appointed Him as high priest forever. Through suffering Jesus was perfected, that is, He became suited in every way to intercede for us with God the Father. By experiencing the human condition fully, Jesus came to fully understand the human condition.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with

loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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

Sequence Hymn 455

“O Love of God, how strong and true”

Dunedin

During the Sequence Hymn, the children proceed to the Children’s Chapel

The Holy Gospel: Mark 10:35–45

NRSV, p. 924

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Jay Sidebotham

The Nicene Creed

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Celebrant and People

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.

Prayers of the People *Form III*

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Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant 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.

The Priest stands and 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

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

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Christ is made the sure foundation

Austin Lovelace

Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the Head and corner-stone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious
binding all the church in one,
Holy Zion's help for ever,
and her confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of Hosts, to-day;
with thy wonted loving-kindness
hear thy servants as they pray,
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls alway.

Laud and honor to the Father,
laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit,
ever Three, and ever One,
consubstantial, co-eternal,
while unending ages run.

Presentation Hymn 397

“Now thank we all our God”

third stanza only

Nun danket alle Gott

All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - ven the

Son, and him who reigns with them in high-est hea - ven, e - ter-nal, tri-une God, whom

earth and heaven a - dore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be, ev - er - more

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

Here, a proper preface is said, then the Celebrant continues...

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus: S128

“Holy, holy, holy Lord”

Mathias

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

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues, saying in the midst of the prayer:

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.

The Celebrant continues, concluding with:

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,

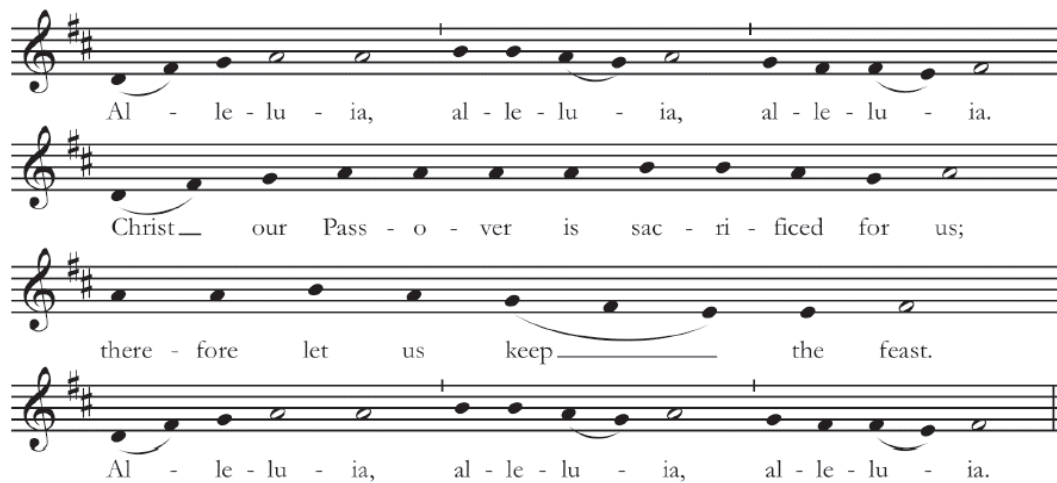
The Lord's Prayer

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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

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 there - fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Communion of the People

Gluten-free wafers are available at the main altar upon request.

Communion Hymns

- Hymn 483 "The head that once was crowned with thorns" *St. Magnus*
- Hymn 458 "My song is love unknown" *Love Unknown*
- Hymn 379 "God is Love, let heavens adore him" *Abbot's Leigh*

The Postcommunion Prayer

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Celebrant Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
 of the most precious Body and Blood
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
 that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out
 to do the work you have given us to do,
 to love and serve you
 as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 492

"Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness"

Finnian

The Dismissal

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

Postlude

Basse et Dessus de Trompette

L. N. Clerambault



*Celebrant: The Reverend Beth Lilly ~ Preacher: The Reverend Jay Sidebotham
 Guest Organist: Lisa Nichol ~ Children's Chapel: Erin Trask
 The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Wanda Haddock Oden,
 William Kellam Oden, Elizabeth Robinson Earnhardt, & James Jennings Earnhardt*

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NEXT SUNDAY

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, October 27 | 9:10 - 10:00 a.m. | St. James Parish

- CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL - Ages 3 - 5th Grade - Meet on 2nd Floor of Milton Hall
- YOUTH, FAITH & FRIENDS - 6th - 12th Grades - Youth Hall
- LIFE IN COMMUNITY: ADULT FORMATION - Great Hall
 - *The Rt. Rev. Henry Parsley leads Moving from I to We: Caring for the Community of Creation.* Bishop Parsley shares a biblical and theological approach to the care of creation. What does it mean to be God's stewards of the earth? The arising environmental crisis is challenging us to do a better job. How can we as individuals and as Christian community learn and respond?

LATER NEXT SUNDAY

- BE THE LIGHT: YOUTH OUTREACH EVENT - 4:30 - 7:00 PM | Meet in Perry Hall lot and drive to Wrightsville Beach Methodist Church.

FALL NEWCOMER MINGLE

Today | 4:00-6:00 p.m. | The Smith Home | RSVP

Join us for the Fall Newcomer Mingle on Sunday, October 20. We will gather at the home of Calvin and Teri Smith in Landfall. Directions will be shared with those who RSVP. This is the premier church community event for newcomers and you'll want to attend.

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES - ALL SAINTS 2024

At the morning services on Sunday, November 3rd (All Saints' Sunday), we will remember the dearly departed as we toll the bell during the Prayers of the People. If you have someone who has died in the past year (November 1, 2023 through present) whom you wish to remember, please call the church by October 30th (910-763-1628) or fill out the online form.

We want to help support you through the bad and the good.

Prayer Requests are one way our parish family supports one another. Going forward, if you would like to be included on the prayer list, please know the request will be included for two Sundays in the Prayers of the People and a full month on Weekday Morning Prayer unless otherwise requested. If you, or a loved one would like a pastoral care visit or to request prayer, please make sure to reach out to our church office or our clergy. We want to know how we can be there for you. The parish office number is 910-763-1628. Similarly, if you need to update your contact information, please make sure to let us know. Please reach out to communications@stjamesp.org to update your information.

MON.- FRI., OCTOBER 21-25

- MORNING PRAYER
8:00-8:30 AM | Zoom

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

- LIVING WELL IN MIDST OF GRIEF
5:00 PM | Graham Parlor or Zoom
- IMPACT! HIGH SCHOOL DINNER
6:30 PM | Perry Hall Kitchen

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY
9:00 - 11:30 AM | Registration Req.
- TELLING YOUR STORY THROUGH GUIDED AUTOBIOGRAPHY
9:00 - 11:00 AM | Registration Req.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

SJDS PICTURE DAY

- YOUTH BIBLE STUDY
7:00 AM | 16th Street. Starbucks
- CREATIVE CONNECTIONS
9:00 - 11:00 AM | Green Room
- WEDNESDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY: PHILIPPIANS
11:00 AM | Graham Parlor

WEDNESDAY - CONTINUED

- HOLY EUCHARIST
12:10 PM | St. James Chapel
- CHILDREN'S & CHERUB' CHOIRS
5:45 - 6:15 PM | Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
Children - 2nd - 5th Grades | Choir Room
Cherubs - Age 4 - 1st Grade | Children's Chapel
- YOUTH GATHERING
5:30 - 6:15 PM | Youth Hall
- A LOOK AT "LIFE TOGETHER"
5:30 - 6:15 PM | Lippitt Room
- WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER
6:15-7:00 PM | Doors open at 6:00 p.m.
Great Hall | RSVP requested.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

- MEN ON A MISSION: SERVING AT SGT. ASHLEY CENTER
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. | Sgt. Ashley Center
- HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
6:00 - 7:00 PM | Green Room
- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY
6:30 - 8:00 PM | Registration Req.
- CHOIR REHEARSAL
7:00 - 8:30 PM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

- HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE I
8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- FAMILY BREAKFAST
8:30 - 9:00 AM | Great Hall
- ST. JAMES PARISH SHOP OPEN
8:30 - 10:30 AM | Parish Shop
- FAITH FORMATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR
9:10 - 10:00 AM | St. James Parish
- CHOIR REHEARSAL
9:15 - 10:00 AM | Choir Room
- HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II
10:15 AM | St. James Parish & Online
- BE THE LIGHT - YOUTH OUTREACH EVENT
4:30 - 7:00 PM | Meet in the Perry Hall Lot

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