



SAINT MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 26, 2018

9:00 AM





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Newcomers and visitors, the community of Saint Mark's welcomes you. We hope that you will feel at home in this place and in this liturgy. Ushers are available during the liturgy as well as greeters and clergy following, should you have any questions or concerns. Mothers are most welcome to breastfeed their infants during the service. Children of any age are always welcome at Saint Mark's liturgies. In addition, child care during services is available in the Child Care Center, located in the west end of the cathedral building. You may reach the Child Care Center through the southwest doors of the nave, or by taking the elevator to the 5th floor. Ushers will guide you.

Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy.

The Reverend Canon Nancy Ross, Associate to the Rector, *Presider*

The Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason, Dean and Rector of Saint Mark's Cathedral, *Preacher*

THE GATHERING

A bell tolling a few minutes before the hour bids all to keep silence for prayer and preparation.

As the opening hymn is introduced, all rise as able.

HYMN 427 *When morning gilds the skies* ♦ *The Hymnal 1982 #427*
stanzas 1, 2 & 5

TUNE: *Laudes Domini*

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT

Presider This is the day the Lord has made.

***Assembly* Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Presider God of glory, holy and eternal, look upon us now in your love and mercy.
May your strength overcome our weakness, your radiance transform our blindness,
and your Spirit draw us to that love shown and offered to us by your Son,
our Savior Jesus Christ.

***All* Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE *For the beauty of the Earth*

TUNE: *Dix*

1. For the beaut - y of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
2. For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,

Refrain

Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Proper 16

Presider God be with you.

Assembly And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

GRANT, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING *Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18*

JOSHUA gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, “Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel:

“Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”

Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM *Psalm 34:15-22*

Peter R. Hallock (1924–2014)

The Cantor introduces the antiphon, all repeat it.

The Cantor chants the psalm verses, all repeating the antiphon as indicated.



Oculi Domini

THE eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, *
and his ears are open to their cry.

16 The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, *
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth. **ANTIPHON**

17 The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them *
and delivers them from all their troubles.

18 The LORD is near to the brokenhearted *
and will save those whose spirits are crushed. **ANTIPHON**

19 Many are the troubles of the righteous, *
but the LORD will deliver him out of them all.

- 20 He will keep safe all his bones; *
not one of them shall be broken. **ANTIPHON**
- 21 Evil shall slay the wicked, *
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.
- 22 The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him. **ANTIPHON**

READING *Ephesians 6:10–20*

BE STRONG in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

After a brief silence the Presider stands; all rise as able for the proclamation of the Gospel.

GOSPEL PROCESSION

*Children are invited to join the Gospel Procession, and gather around as the Gospel is proclaimed.
Children's Chapel is on summer hiatus and will resume on September 9.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Plainchant Tone I.2

The Choristers introduce the refrain; all repeat it. The Cantor chants the verse, and all respond with the refrain.



∿. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 6:56-69

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
Assembly **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

JESUS said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
Assembly **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason

All rise as able.

THE NICENE CREED

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**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 ASSEMBLY

adapted from A New Zealand Prayer Book and Operation Noah

- Deacon* Holy God, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son.
Therefore in confidence and trust we pray:
Creator God,
- Assembly* Awaken us to your presence and love.**
- Intercessor* We celebrate the blessing of our earthly home, part of the vast universe within your creation.
Creator God,
- Assembly* Awaken us to your presence and love.**
- Intercessor* We lament the way our habits harm the earth.
Move us to repent and to live in harmony with the earth.
Creator God,
- Assembly* Awaken us to your presence and love.**
- Intercessor* Inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others
so that all may act with integrity and courage.
Creator God,
- Assembly* Awaken us to your presence and love.**
- Intercessor* Breathe fresh life into your Church and inspire us to be your hands in the world.
Creator God,
- Assembly* Awaken us to your presence and love.**
- Intercessor* Strengthen us to care for those near and far who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit,
especially... and those we now name...
Creator God,
- Assembly* Awaken us to your presence and love.**
- Intercessor* We thank you for Saint Mark and all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.
We remember those who have died and entrust them to your love, especially...
Creator God,
- Assembly* Awaken us to your presence and love.**
- Presider* Gracious God, source of all wisdom, give us eyes to see and minds to understand
your marvelous works, that we may know you through your handiwork and use
your creation to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- All* Amen.**

CONFESSION

adapted from A New Zealand Prayer Book

- Deacon* Let us confess our sins to God.
You are invited to stand or kneel for the confession.
- Deacon* Merciful God,
***All* we have sinned in what we have thought and said,
in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done.
We have sinned in ignorance, in weakness, and by our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you.
Forgive us, for the sake of Christ, our Savior,
and renew our lives to the glory of your Name. Amen.**
- Presider* God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free.
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.
God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal.
- All* Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

All greet one another in the name of Christ.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY

An offering of money is received. Everyone worshipping this morning is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Many support Saint Mark's through pledged offerings made by credit card or via mail. Together our gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service.

VOLUNTARY Organ Improvisation on *Hyfrydol*
[tune of Hymn #460, "Alleluia, sing to Jesus"]

*The bread, wine and money we offer to God are brought forward and presented at the altar table.
When the Presider stands, all rise as able.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

adapted from the Anglican Church of Southern Africa

Presider God be with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

Assembly **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider Gracious God, You spoke the Word and all that is in heaven and on the earth,
all things, came to be.

Your Spirit hovered over the primal elements,
and you brought forth life in forms innumerable,
you formed the Earth and breathed life into it,
and you uttered us into existence.

As our past is in you, so our hope for the future rests with you.

As we have turned from your way, so we turn again to the warmth of your love.

Through you all things are brought to new life.

And now we give you thanks for the glories of your creation given into our care.

Help us to share that richness with all your people.

With the wonders of creation

and the songs of praise of all your creatures both in heaven and on earth,

we praise you now and forever singing:

Organ: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Everyone: Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo - ry — Ho-san - na in — the high - est.

Blest is the one who comes in the name of our God. — Ho - san - na in — the high - est.

Presider On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread,
 gift of the Earth, formed of human hands,
 and gave thanks to you.
 He broke the bread and shared it with friends, saying:
 “Take and eat, for this is my body which is given for you.
 Do this in remembrance of me.”

He took the cup of wine,
 gift of the Earth, work of human hands,
 and gave thanks to you.
 He gave it to his friends saying:
 “This is my blood of the new covenant,
 poured out for you and for all creation
 for the forgiveness of sins.
 Every time you drink of this cup,
 do this in remembrance of me.”

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Presider Therefore, God, we who long for right relationship
 with you, with one another, and with all creation,
 now draw close to this mystery.
 By your Holy Spirit may these gifts of the Earth
 become for us the Body and Blood of Christ.

Send upon us, and upon all your creation,
 your Spirit of life-giving connection.
 Stir in us the creative energy of your love,
 and redeem our brokenness.

Presider Unite us through your Word made flesh,
 by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
 in the unity of your Creating Spirit,
 with all that has been, is, and will be in your universe,
 we stand before you and worship you
 in voices of everlasting praise:

**All Blessing and honor and glory and power
 are yours forever and ever.
 AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ambrosian Chant

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our dai-ly bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of tri-al, and de-li-ver us from e - vil.
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

FRACTION ANTHEM *The disciples knew the Lord Jesus*

Plainsong Mode 6

The Cantor introduces the antiphon, all repeat it. The Cantor sings the verses, all repeating the antiphon as indicated.

The dis - ci - ples__ knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing__ of the bread.

∇. The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ. **ANTIPHON**

∇. One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread. **ANTIPHON**

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.

Communion is distributed at standing stations at the head of each aisle.

If you need communion brought to your seat, please let an usher know.

Rice wafers for those who do not eat wheat are available at the Presider's communion station at the front left.

- ◆ *Hold out your hand to receive the bread and then eat. Guide the chalice of wine to your mouth and then drink.*
- ◆ *Or you may leave the bread in your hand for the chalice bearer to dip in the wine and feed you.*
- ◆ *To receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest.*

COMMUNION VOLUNTARY *Organ Improvisation*

HYMN 304 *I come with joy to meet my Lord* ◆ *The Hymnal 1982 #304*

TUNE: *Land of Rest*



All rise as able.

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider One body are we.

Assembly **For, though many, we share one bread and one cup.**

Deacon Go in peace, bearing holy gifts for holy people.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

adapted from *Enriching Our Worship and Operation Noah*

Presider Gracious God,

All Creator and Lover of souls,

you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now fill us with your spirit,

that we may work with you toward the unity of your whole creation,

striving for justice and peace,

and respecting the dignity of all people.

Amen.

BLESSING *The Presider asks God's blessing on the Assembly. All respond: Amen.*

HYMN 460 *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! ♦ The Hymnal 1982 #460*
stanzas 1, 3 & 4

TUNE: *Hyfrydol*

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY *Dialogue for the Mixtures from Suite Brève*

Jean Langlais (1907–1991)

PRESIDER

The Reverend Canon Nancy Ross

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