

ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
in the heart of the historic Stockade District  
**Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost— 8 November 2020**  
**High Mass — Rite I, 10AM**  
The Rev'd Canon Matthew Stromberg, *Celebrant & Preacher*  
Dr. Brian J. Taylor, AAGO, *Director of Music Ministry*

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**INTROIT**

*Chanted by the cantor.*

Therefore keep these statutes and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding; and all nations shall say; surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people. So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

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

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

**KYRIE ELEISON** *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena* Healey Willan (1880-1968)  
**Lord, have mercy upon us.**  
**Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena* Healey Willan (1880-1968)  
**Glory be to God on high,**  
**and on earth peace, good will towards men.**  
**We praise thee, we bless thee,**  
**we worship thee,**  
**we glorify thee,**  
**we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,**  
**O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father**  
**Almighty.**  
**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**  
**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**  
**that takest away the sins of the world,**  
**have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sins of the world,**  
**receive our prayer.**  
**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the**  
**Father,**  
**have mercy upon us.**  
**For thou only art holy;**  
**thou only art the Lord;**  
**thou only, O Christ,**  
**with the Holy Ghost,**  
**art most high in the glory of God the Father.**  
**Amen.**

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end.

*People* **Amen.**

**THE EPISTLE READING**

1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

*Celebrant*            The Word of the Lord  
*People*                **Thanks be to God**

**THE GRADUAL**

Seek him that maketh the Seven Stars and Orion; and maketh the day dark with night; that calleth for the waters of the sea; and poureth them out upon the face of the earth; the Lord is his name.

*Please Stand for the Gospel*



**CANTOR**            My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning; more than the watchman for the morning.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

MATTHEW 25:1-13

*Celebrant*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew  
*People*                **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

*Celebrant*            The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*                **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**


**THE SERMON**

*Please be seated.*

THE RECTOR

## THE NICENE CREED

*Please stand.*

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to Judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father (and the Son); who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Chanted by the cantor*

My eyes are open in the night watches; that I may meditate upon thy promise.

1 I sing a song of the saints of God, \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are

pa - tient and brave and true, who toiled and fought and \_\_\_\_\_  
 his love made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for \_\_\_\_\_  
 hund - reds of thou - sands still, the world is bright with the

lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And \_\_\_\_\_  
 Je - sus' sake, the whole of their good lives long. And \_\_\_\_\_  
 joy - ous saints who love to do Je - sus' will. You can

one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -  
 one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was slain  
 meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,

herd - ess on the green: they were all of them saints of \_\_\_\_\_  
 by a fierce wild beast; and there's not an - y rea - son -  
 or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of God are just

God - and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.  
 no, not the least, why I should - n't be one too.  
 folk like me, and I mean to be one too.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* *People*  
 The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.

*Celebrant* *People*  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

*Celebrant*  
 Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

*People*  
 It is meet and right so to do.

*The Celebrant sings the proper preface.*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*Please kneel.*

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

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

## THE LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winifred Douglas (1867-1944)

## FRACTION

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]**

AGNUS DEI

*Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

*Said by all.*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

*Celebrant*

Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world

**Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof but speak the word only and I shall be healed.**

## ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians may receive, regardless of age or denomination. Due to Social distancing, Communion will be distributed in one kind. An usher will direct your pew to come forward and receive standing, in the hand, at the altar rail. Thank you for your cooperation.*

## COMMUNION SENTENCE

*Chanted by the cantor.*

Therefore the prudent shall keep silent in that time; for it is an evil time; seek good and not evil; that ye may live.

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Blessed be God, + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

O most blessed Savior, in union with the faithful at every altar of thy Church where thy blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer thee praise and thanksgiving, I present to thee my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to thee. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart; I unite myself to thee and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul.

## ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O Good Jesu, hear me.

Within thy wounds hide me.

Suffer me not to be separated from thee.

From the malicious enemy, defend me.

In the hour of my death, call me

And bid me come to thee

That with thy saints I may praise thee

For ever and ever. Amen.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Said by all kneeling*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

### DISMISSAL

Prayer Book p. 339

***Celebrant*** Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

***People*** Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

David Kennison: Master of Ceremonies, Thurifer, and Lector

Greeter: Jon Pearson

Lector: Alice Polumbo

Counters: Paul Smigelski, Carol Gaige

At the end of the month we will start over with this prayer list, if you would like a name included contact [office@stgeorgesschenectady.org](mailto:office@stgeorgesschenectady.org)

The Sick and those in need: Larry P., Ed C., Maidie, Nellie, Peggy, Daria, Margaret, Peter, Theresa, Gail, Robert T., Richard, Jessica, Christian, Fern, Alex, Mary C and family, Amy, Jay, Ernie, and Joe J.

Birthdays: Isaac Stromberg 11/11, Olivia Jaquith

Morning Prayer: Tuesday-Friday 8:30 a.m.

Evening Prayer: Tuesday-Friday 5:00 p.m.

Compline: Saturday 8:30 p.m.

## PARISH NOTICES

**Thanksgiving Day Mass** Join us for a Mass in honor of our national day of Thanksgiving at 10am 11/26.

**Fall coat collection** - St George's is once again collecting gently used coats for donation to the City Mission. As the temperatures begin to drop and in this especially difficult year, many will struggle to stay warm. There is a coat rack positioned in the Great Hall for you to hang any outer garments you may want to give, however, if you leave a coat at the back of the church marked for donation it will be added to the Great Hall rack. This collection is ongoing until Sunday, November 22nd so that our contribution can be delivered and distributed in time for Thanksgiving.

**Mere Christianity Discussion** Sunday nights, 6:30 p.m. for eight sessions, we will be presenting a video based curriculum on C.S. Lewis' classic work, Mere Christianity. The videos will feature a number of Lewis scholars discussing the meaning, history, and contemporary application of the book

**Zoom Coffee Hour** This is a new link that will be reoccurring every week through 12/27. You can simply click on the link sent around in the update (it will always be the same) or go to:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89554179853?pwd=Y3NEWURGeGVGNzA4Qnl1RkQMy9aUT09>

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