

SAINT ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
 SEPTEMBER 27, 2020 - 9:30 AM
 HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

Prelude

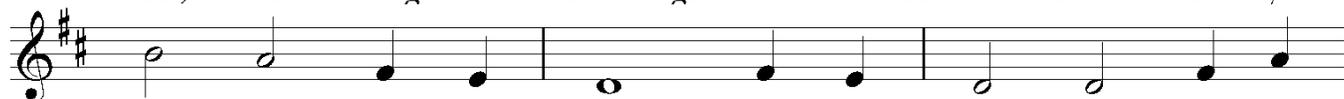
The service begins at the sound of the church bell.

Opening Hymn

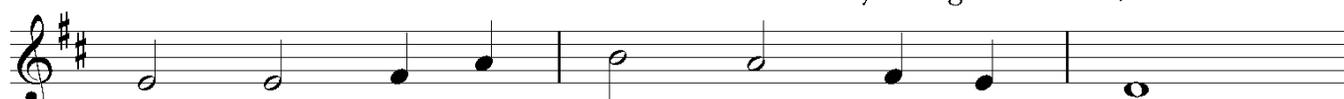
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1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my
 2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



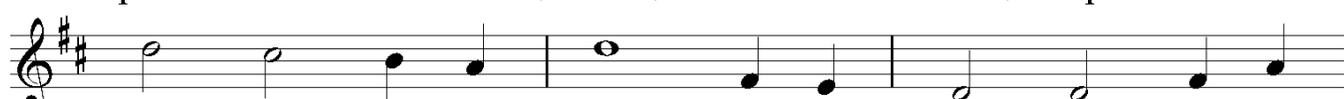
heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er
 by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good
 I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
 Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering
 prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me
 from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from
 leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
 dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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

The Celebrant says

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.

People Amen.

Sung altogether

The Gloria

TCH 9

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three systems of staves. The first system (measures 1-4) contains the opening phrase: '1. Fa - ther, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You, 2. Je - sus, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You, 3. Spir - it, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,'. The second system (measures 5-10) continues with 'Glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth. Glo - ri - fy Thy name,'. The third system (measures 11-16) concludes with 'Glo - ri - fy Thy name, Glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth.' The score includes both vocal lines and piano accompaniment.

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The First Lesson

Ezekiel 18:1-4,25-32

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge”? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm is read responsively by half verse, breaking at the asterisk. The leader reads the first line and the congregation responds with the next line.

Psalm 25 vv 1-8

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
 let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
 let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *
 and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
 for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
 for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
 remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
 therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
 and teaches his way to the lowly.

The Second Lesson

Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sung altogether

Hymn

LEVAS 115

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me,

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.



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The Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:23-32

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Celeste Cox

Said altogether.

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,
 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.

The Prayers of the People

Reader Almighty God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People *That we all may be one.*

Reader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

Reader We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Kevin our Bishop, Russ and Celeste our Priests, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

Reader We pray for Donald our President, John our Governor, and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Reader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Reader We give you thanks for all of the blessings we receive from you, especially for those we name now (*silence*). Thank you, Lord, for all of your gifts;

People *We are grateful for your grace and mercy.*

Reader We pray for all who are sick and suffering, especially for those in our Parish Prayers and for those we name now (*silence*). Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Reader We pray for all who have died, especially for those in our Parish Prayers and for those we name now (*silence*). Give to the departed eternal rest.

People *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Reader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Reader We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins (*silence*).

Said altogether

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.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution.

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.***

The Peace

The Celebrant says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

The Offertory

Celebrant says an Offertory Sentence.

The Offertory Anthem

When we walk with the Lord - LEVAS 205

The Holy Communion

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 our thanks and praise.*

The Celebrant continues

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sung altogether

Sanctus

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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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

The Celebrant elevates the bread and says

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

The celebrant elevates the cup of wine and says

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

The celebrant continues

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

The Celebrant elevates the consecrated bread and wine and says

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People **AMEN.**

Celebrant says

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

Said altogether

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and says
 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
 People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

*The Celebrant says the following Invitation
 The Gifts of God for the People of God.*

Hymn

LEVAS 35

1. O how He loves you and me.
 2. Je - sus to Cal - vary did go,

1. O how He loves you and me;
 2. His love for the worlds to show;

1. He gave His life, what more could He give;
 2. What He did there brought hope from de - spair;

1. O how He loves you, O how He loves me,
 2. O how He loves you, O how He loves me,

1. O how He loves you and me. _____
 2. O how He loves you and me. _____

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While the Celebrant receives the consecrated gifts, the People say

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection: I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Said altogether

God of abundance, you have nourished us through our worship; 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 send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant says

Let love be genuine, hold fast to what is good, serve the Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

People Amen.

Announcements

The Dismissal

The Celebrant says the dismissal.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Blessing of the Animals *Drive-by*
Saturday, October 3 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Everyone is invited to bring their furry friends (in person, a picture, or stuffed animals) for a special blessing. Pull up to the side of the Church on S. Cox Street for the blessing. Please stay in your car and where a mask.

Sunday School in a Box

A Box will be mailed weekly directly to your kids or grandkids. Pre-K – 2nd Grade: Ms. Charlie's fun lessons and crafts. 3rd – 6th Grade: Ms. Jodi's engaging lessons and activities geared toward older children. Instructions and all materials will be included in each week's box. To register your child, email Mandy Catalfamo: CYM@SaintAnnesChurchDE.org.

New Online Church Directory

To stay connected with our church community, we have created a password protected online church directory. The directory was launched using the family information you provided when joining Saint Anne's Church, along with pictures from our previous directory or Facebook. Personal information will never be sold or shared by Saint Anne's Church or Instant Church Directory. To set-up or to edit your directory information, please follow the instructions in The Messenger. If you have any questions or if you prefer not to be included in the new directory, please contact the Church Office, 302-378-2401. To view the directory, visit <https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com>

Parish Prayers

We pray for Sue Baker, Meta Barrow, AJ Bernieri, Anna Campbell, Roberta Carey, Beverley and Pete Connolly, Donald Davis, Sr., Amber Dean, Andy Dill, Marty Hipp, Velma Johnson, Gretchen Kessler, Amy Klein, Bill MacMillan, Pat Mayer, Jean McGinnis, Verna Murphy, Larry & Sue Osborn, Sheridan Outten, Marjee Righeimer, Diane Shetzler, Bob Smith, Christine Tschempel, Alan White, Mark Woodward, Ed Wright, Bonnie, Christian D, and Janet and Steve.

In the Episcopal Church in Delaware, we pray for Saint Anne's and Saint Andrew's Schools and the Church of Saints Andrew & Matthew, Wilmington.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan.

Worship Participants for Today

Readers: Jessica Williams & Michael Bohner. Choristers: Jessica Williams & Isabelle Bohner. Camera: Michael Bohner. Altar Guild: Kathy Cavanaugh.

For Church activities and announcements, please read *The Messenger*, which is posted on the website: www.SaintAnnesChurchDE.org. To receive *The Messenger* via email, please call the Church Office at 302-378-2401.

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Live Broadcast and Zoom Offerings for the Week of September 27

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Sunday, September 27

Sunday Children's Worship—8:45 AM

Broadcast Live through the Church Website

Holy Eucharist for Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost—9:30 AM

Broadcast Live through the Church Website and Facebook

Tuesday, September 29

Centering Prayer by Zoom—6:00 PM

Thursday, October 1

Bible Study by Zoom—8:00 AM

Bible Study LIVE—10:00 AM

Broadcast Live through the Church Website and Facebook

The Daily Office of Evening Prayer—6:00 PM

Broadcast Live through the Church Website and Facebook

Bible Study by Zoom—6:30 PM

Sunday, October 4

Sunday Children's Worship—8:45 AM

Broadcast Live through the Church Website

Holy Eucharist for Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost—9:30 AM

Broadcast Live through the Church Website and Facebook

Saint Anne's Sunday Fellowship—10:30 AM

Broadcast Live through Zoom

