



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST:

Proper 22

October 5, 2025
10:30 A.M.



St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church
in the Admiral District of West Seattle

*We acknowledge that we are on the unceded traditional land of the Coast Salish people,
including the Duwamish and Suquamish People past and present.*

We honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish and Suquamish tribes.

Please know, that wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you have a place at St. John's.

Portions of this service are from the optional expansive-language versions of the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer*, as authorized by the 79th General Convention in 2018.

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Adagio from Sonata No 4 in E-flat Major, KV 282

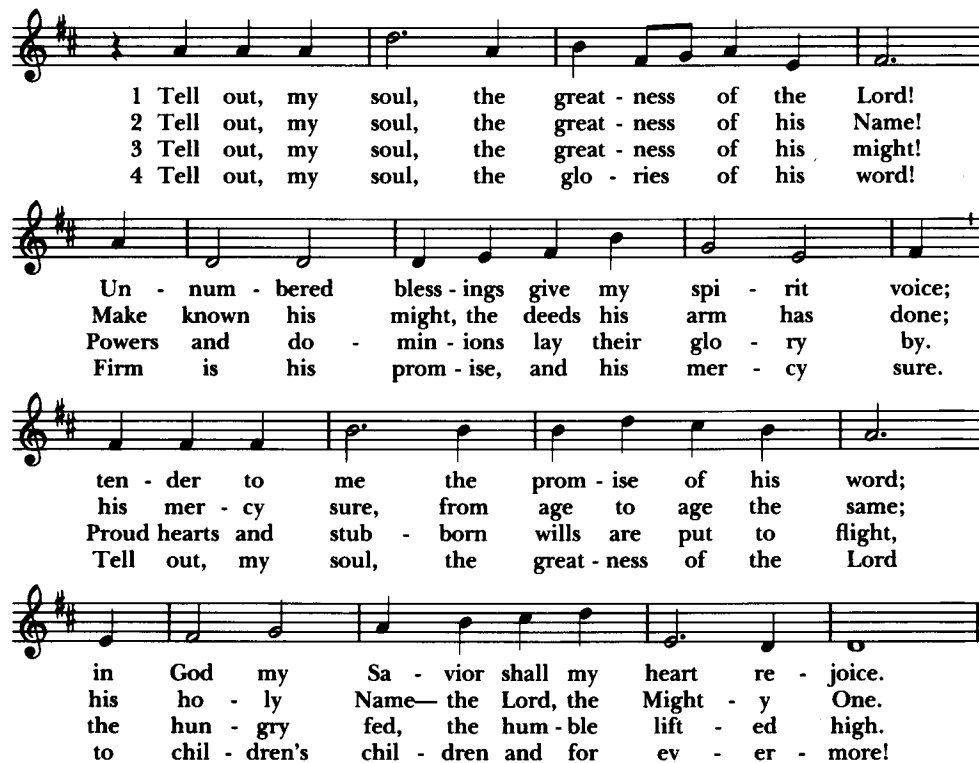
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

At the sound of the church bell all rise as able.

Hymn 438

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

TUNE: *Woodlands*



1 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord!
2 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his Name!
3 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his might!
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word!

Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.

ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.
his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); based on *The Song of Mary*

Music: *Woodlands*, Walter Greatorex (1877-1949)

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Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider 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 Hymn 421



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -
hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who
to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You, on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,
your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al-might - y Fa - ther.
we for judg-ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

Words: Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541); tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev.; para. of *Gloria in excelsis*
Music: *Allein Gott in der Höh*, melody att. Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541);

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The Collect of the Day

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 22

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Sending of Children to Children's Chapel

All children about age 3 through 4th grade are invited to go forward to the stairs in the front of the church for a prayer sending them and their leaders to Children's Chapel.

Presider Children of God, go forth to receive God's word. May it light your way, and fill your lives with hope and joy. In the name of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

You may be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Year C, Track 2

First Reading

Habakkuk 1:1–4, 2:1–4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you
“Violence!” and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look
at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the
righteous— therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost,
and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

Then the LORD answered me and said:

Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is
still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems
to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.

Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Response



SJB Psalm Tone 6, Thomas Aláan

Please join the cantor in singing the psalm.

Psalm 37:1–10 Part I • *Noli æmulari*

- 1 ¹Do not fret yourself because of / *e-vil* /-doers; *
 ²do not be jealous of those / *who do* / wrong.
- 2 ³For they shall soon wither like the / *grass*, *
 ⁴and like the green grass / *fade a* /-way.
- 3 ¹**Put your trust in the Lord / *and do* / good;** *
 ²**dwell in the land and feed / *on its* / riches.**
- 4 ³**Take delight in the / Lord,** *
 ⁴**and he shall give you your / *heart's de* /-sire.**
- 5 ¹Commit your way to the Lord and put your / *trust in* / him, *
 ²and he will bring / *it to* / pass.
- 6 ³He will make your righteousness as clear as the / *light* *
 ⁴and your just dealing / *as the* / noonday.
- 7 ¹**Be still be- / *fore the* / Lord** *
 ²**and wait patient- / *ly for* / him.**
- 8 ³**Do not fret yourself over the one who / *prosper*,** *
 ⁴**the one who succeeds in / *e-vil* / schemes.**
- 9 ¹Refrain from anger, leave / *rage a* /-lone; *
 ²do not fret yourself; it leads on- / *ly to* / evil.
- 10 ³For evildoers shall be cut / *off*, *
 ⁴but those who wait upon the Lord shall pos- / *sess the* / land.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:1–14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Standing as able.

Luke 17:5–10

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

Presider The Gospel of our Savior.

People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

You may be seated.

The Sermon

The Reverend Canon Elise B. Johnstone, D. Min.

There will be a moment for quiet personal reflection.

The Nicene Creed

Standing as able.

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 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 People

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

God of love, we pray for your church: for Sean our presiding bishop, Phil our bishop, Elise and Robert our priests; for all lay and ordained ministers; for the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: retired clergy, clergy widows/widowers, and clergy households of the diocese; our Bishop and the bishop's staff; all Commissions, Committees and Programs of the Diocese; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.
God of love,

People **hear our prayers for the church.**

Intercessor God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love.
God of freedom,

People **hear our prayers for the world.**

Intercessor God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have voices we do not hear, see, or recognize. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.
God of justice,

People **hear our prayers for the earth.**

Intercessor God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble, especially _____, and those we name now, silently or aloud. For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons.
God of mercy,

People **hear our prayers for all who are in need.**

Intercessor God of joy, we pray for this community and thank you for all the blessings of this life, especially for _____, and those thanksgivings we offer silently or aloud. For the beauty of the Pacific Northwest, and the splendor of all God's creation. For our local leaders; for our schools and markets; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle gratitude in every heart. Grow in us a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all.
God of joy,

People **hear our prayers for this community.**

Intercessor God of grace, we pray for those who have died, especially for _____, and those we name now, silently or aloud. For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light.

God of grace,

People **hear our prayers for those who have died.**

Presider O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A moment of reflective silence is kept.

Said by 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 ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of our Savior 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.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Those present celebrate the peace with a bow, hands raised in blessing, or the peace sign.

You may be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Sentence

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

— Ephesians 5:2

If you wish to make online donations to the ministry of St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, please visit:
<https://sjbwestseattle.org/give>

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn 488

Be thou my vision

TUNE: *Slane*

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,
all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;
Heart of my heart, what - ev - er be - fall,
wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in my dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
still be my vi - sion, O Ru - ler of all.

Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931);
tr. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), alt.

Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody; adapt. *The Church Hymnary*, 1927

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The congregation's gifts of money for the mission and ministry of St. John's and food for the Food Bank and Little Free Pantry are presented and placed on the Holy Table.

Presentation

People All things come from you, O God, and from your own have we given you.

Please remain standing.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1 from *Enriching Our Worship 1*

Celebrant *People*

God be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant *People*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus S127

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, — 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 the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. —

Setting: Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

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Please remain standing.

Presider Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he 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."

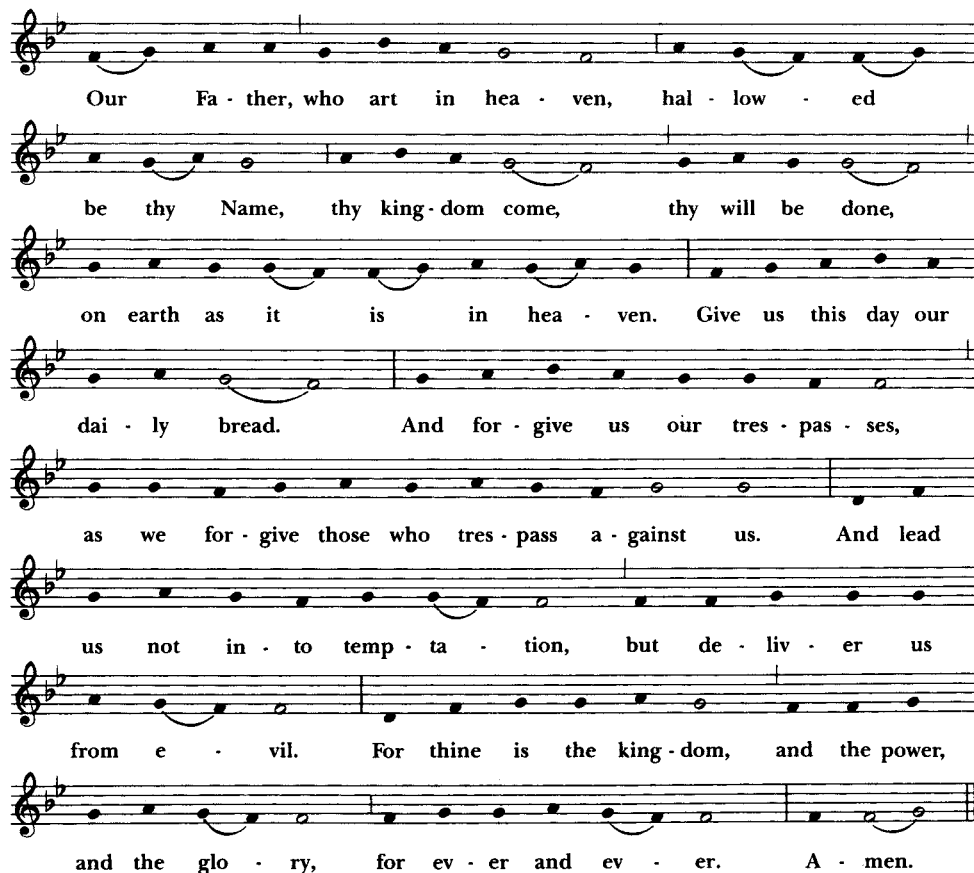
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Presider Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [_____ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. 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. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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



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.

Setting: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Hymn 875 from the supplemental hymnal *Wonder, Love, and Praise*.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of ten staves. The first staff is labeled 'Cantor' and contains the lyrics 'Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the'. The second staff is labeled 'Congregation' and contains 'break - ing of the bread. Be known to us, Lord'. The third staff is labeled 'Cantor' and contains 'Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread. The'. The fourth staff contains 'bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, is the com -'. The fifth staff is labeled 'Congregation' and contains 'mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. Be'. The sixth staff contains 'known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the'. The seventh staff is labeled 'Cantor' and contains 'bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though'. The eighth staff is labeled 'Congregation' and contains 'man - y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord'. The ninth staff contains 'Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.' and ends with a double bar line.

Setting: Gary James (b. 1957) © 1992 MorningStar Music Publishers

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The Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

You may be seated.

To receive Communion, you are invited to come to the altar rail and stand or kneel at one of the cushions. To receive the bread (wafer), please hold your hands palms up, and the Presider will place a wafer in your hands. Gluten-free bread is available for those requiring it. Please indicate this by holding your hands palms down initially. If you do not wish to partake of the consecrated wine from the common chalice, you may consume the wafer at the altar rail or return to your seat to consume it.

To receive the wine, please consume your wafer, and then wait for the Eucharistic Minister to bring the common cup to you at the altar rail. Please do not attempt to intinct (dip) the wafer into the chalice. If you prefer not to partake of the common cup, but would like to receive the words of ministration, simply cross your arms in front of your chest when the Eucharistic Minister comes to you at the altar rail.

Reception of the sacrament in one kind (either bread or wine) is considered a full experience of the sacrament.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of communion, when you come to the altar rail, simply cross your arms in front of your chest, and the Presider will greet you and offer God's blessing.

If you are unable to come forward, ask an usher or someone nearby to request that communion be brought to you.

Communion Hymn

Sung by all.

Why should I feel discouraged

TUNE: *Eye On The Sparrow*

Hymn 191 from the supplemental hymnal *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major, 8/8 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are provided for each system.

1. Why should I feel dis-cour-aged, — Why should the shad-ows come, —
2. "Let not your heart be trou-bled," — His ten-der word I hear, —
3. When ev-er I am tempt-ed, — When ev-er clouds a-rise, —

1. Why should my heart be lone-ly, — And long for heav'n and home; — When
2. And rest-ing on His good-ness, — I lose my doubts and fears; — Thoug
3. When songs give place to sigh-ing, — When hope with-in me dies, — I

1. Je-sus is — my por-tion? — My con-stant friend — is He: — His
2. by the path — He lead-eth, — But one step I — may see; — His
3. draw the clos-er to Him, — From care He sets — me free; — His

eye is on the spar-row, And I know He watch-es me; His

eye is on the spar-row, and I know He watch-es me. I

sing be-cause I'm hap-py, I sing be-cause I'm free; For His

eye is on the spar-row, And I know He watch-es me.

Words: Civilla D. Martin (1860-1948)
 Music: Charles H. Gabriel (1856-1932); arr. Horace Clarence Boyer (b. 1935) Arr. Copyright © 1992 Horace Clarence Boyer
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Prayer for Those Worshipping at Home During the Time of Communion

Those worshipping at home are invited to pray.

People O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

— from *Saint Augustine's Prayer Book*, Forward Movement, 2014

Postcommunion Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

Presider Let us pray.

People God of abundance, 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 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

Presider

Be careful as you go out into God's creation, for it does not belong to you.

Be gentle with yourself and with one another,
for you are the dwelling place of the Most High God.

Be alert and hesitant, for sometimes God is but a whisper.

— *author unknown*

And the blessing of God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity
be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn 655

O Jesus, I have promised

TUNE: *Nyland*

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;
2 O let me hear thee speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,
3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom - ised to all who fol - low thee,
be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;
that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;
I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,
O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
and, Je - sus I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;
nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.
O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard - ian of my soul.
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Words: John Ernest Bode (1816-1874), alt.

Music: *Nyland*, Finnish folk melody; adapt. and harm. David Evans (1874-1948)

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Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Wishing

Alexis Ffrench (b. 1970)

Serving in Worship Today

Altar Guild: Carolyn Koehler;
Closer: Terry Brady;
Coffee Hour: Janet and Mike Johnson;
Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Ann Blake;
Flowers: Lynn Ogdon-Perrine;
Livestream: Walter Johnstone;
Music: Thomas Aláan, Joyce Gibb, SJB Choir;
Preaching/Presiding: The Rev. Cn. Elise B. Johnstone;
Readers: Lynn Ogdon-Perrine, Dan Johnson;
Ushers: Becky Kacel, Carol Sutcliffe;
Verger: Layne Bautista.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today at St. John the Baptist

- 8:30 a.m. **Spoken Holy Eucharist** in the Church
- 9:30 a.m. **Choir Practice** in the Choir Room
- 9:35 a.m. **Adult Formation** in the Library
- 10:30 a.m. **Holy Eucharist with Music** in the Church and livestreamed on our YouTube channel
- 10:30 a.m. **Children's Chapel** Families begin worshipping in church together, and then children (ages 3–10) will be dismissed for Children's Chapel, with a Godly Play story, returning to the nave at the Peace.
- 11:45 a.m. **Coffee Hour** in the Parish Hall
- 3:00 p.m. **Worship at The Mount** at Providence Mt. St. Vincent
- 7:00 p.m. **Youth Group** in the Parish Hall

Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

Join us for a time of fellowship in the Parish Hall following our 10:30 a.m. service every Sunday for snacks and coffee. Newcomers are especially invited to attend so we can better get to know you and welcome you to SJB. If you are interested in providing snacks and hospitality during our weekly Coffee Hour, please consider signing up to support this ministry on the yellow sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. Hosts serve in teams. Experienced hosts are happy to show newcomers the ropes. Thank you!

Adult Formation Sunday Mornings at 9:35 a.m.

Sunday Morning Adult Formation is back at 9:35 a.m. every week. September 14–October 26 we will explore and reflect on the elements of Holy Eucharist using the book *The Gifts of God for the People of God*, by the Rev. Furman Buchanan. Request a copy of the book by emailing Fr. Robert or signing up in the Narthex. Email Fr. Robert with any questions.
robert@SJBWestSeattle.org

Fall Book Study: The Better Angels of our Nature

Through October 29 we will embark on a Wednesday evening book study. We meet at 6:30 p.m., open with a brief Holy Eucharist with Healing, a simple soup meal, and will explore *Newsweek* editor, author, and active Episcopalian Jon Meacham's book, *The Soul of America: the Battle for the Better Angels*. We will learn about complex times in the history of the United States of America, and converse about how our faith leads us to act in challenging times. Questions or interested in partnering to host a simple soup meal? Email Canon Elise. To reserve a copy of the book, sign up in the Narthex or contact Cn. Elise. elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

Youth Group Tonight

Students in grades 6–12 are invited to the Parish Hall 7–8:30 p.m. for snacks, games, and conversation. Contact Jackson with any questions. familylife@SJBWestSeattle.org

Spiritual Practices Small Groups

SJB will continue our exploration of Spiritual Practices in Small Groups. Our evening Spiritual Practices Group will meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 6 p.m., while our daytime group will be meeting the second and fourth Wednesdays at 11 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Robert. robert@SJBWestSeattle.org

Walking Through the Bible Returns

Join us at Noon on the second and fourth Sundays for *Walking Through the Bible*, beginning on October 12. You do not have to have a deep knowledge of the Bible to join in these explorations. Join us as we explore a different book of the Bible. We will begin the fall with a study of the *Letter of Paul to the Galatians*, where Paul writes about how, through Christ, God's blessing is for all, regardless of ethnicity, social status, and more. The group will discern together which book we will explore next. Questions? Please email Canon Elise. elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

Episcopal 101 Begins Tomorrow

Are you interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church, our Anglican faith tradition, prayer practices and more? A series of seven evening sessions will begin Monday, October 6, 6:30 p.m. If you're interested in signing up or learning more, please add your name to the list in the Narthex.

Men's Gathering

Men of all ages and their partners, friends, and neighbors are invited to a no-host breakfast every second Saturday of the month. Meet at Chelan Café, 3527 Chelan Ave SW, Saturday, October 11, 8 a.m. For more information or a ride please contact David Perrine. 206-937-2932.

Join the Choir at SJB

Anyone who is interested in joining the SJB Choir or Bell Choir is invited to reach out to Thomas or come to a Thursday rehearsal. Choir practices are held Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. We have some great music planned for the coming months. All experience levels are welcome. If you have any questions or would like more information, please email Dr. Thomas Aláan. thomas@SJBWestSeattle.org

Edible Hope Kitchen Fundraiser

Join Edible Hope Kitchen at our annual fundraiser Thursday, October 9, at the warm and welcoming Old Stove Brewery Gardens. We will serve a hearty dinner donated by local restaurants. There will be drinks available. All are welcome. We'd love to have you, your friends and your family. Thank you for enabling us to provide hunger relief to our neighbors.

To buy tickets, donate, and learn more about the event, visit <https://ticketstripe.com/edible-hope-kitchen-2025-fall-fundraiser>

First Lutheran Outreach Invitation October 18

Our full communion partners at First Lutheran Church of West Seattle, just down California Avenue, are excited to host their annual Fundraising Dinner benefiting the West Seattle Food Bank. The theme for the event is West Seattle Trivia. Come with your thinking cap on. Tickets are \$10 each and all proceeds go directly to the West Seattle Food Bank. Reserve your spot today. Seating is limited! Enjoy a delicious catered dinner from Ivar's.

Event Highlights: multiple raffles and prizes; every guest receives a custom coffee mug with the dinner logo; West Seattle Trivia game during dinner; special presentation from the West Seattle Food Bank; and a Dessert Dash— a popular tradition. Make your check payable to the West Seattle Food Bank. <https://bit.ly/CupofBlessings2025>



St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church in the Admiral District of West Seattle

A Note from Our Rector

We are so glad you are worshipping here today!

Visiting?

If you are visiting with us, we would be glad to answer any questions you may have about the Episcopal Church or about St. John's. I'm Elise, the Rector (the priest in charge) of St. John's—I encourage you to reach out to me—I'd love to meet you!

Interested in Baptism?

In the Episcopal Church, we believe that Baptism by water and in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit is full initiation into the Body of Christ, the Church—regardless in which Christian tradition you may have been baptized.

If you are interested in Baptism, please reach out to me—I would love to talk with you about this.

As we like to say here, wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you have a place at St. John's!

Welcome!

Elise+
elise@sjbwestseattle.org

If there is a ministry you're interested in knowing more about or getting involved, you can also contact the office
office@sjbwestseattle.org

St. John the Baptist Vestry

Class of 2025

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John Kettel, *junior warden*
Anne Rogers

Class of 2027

Linda Barson
Terry Brady
Lauren Cox
Mary Kay Jones

Class of 2026

Kitt Gassman
John Hainze
Lurilla Lee
Cathy Thompson,
senior warden

Chair

The Rev. Cn. Elise Johnstone
Clerk
Carol Sutcliffe
Treasurer
Monte Frazier

Would you like to request that our Prayer Chain pray for you or someone you know? Would you like to add a name to the Prayers of the People? Please visit

<https://sjbwestseattle.org/prayers>

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What's going on at SJB this week

Sunday, October 5, 8:30 AM	Nave
Spoken Holy Eucharist	
Sunday, October 5, 9:30 AM	Choir Room
Choir Practice	
Sunday, October 5, 9:35 AM	Library
Adult Formation	
Sunday, October 5, 10:30 AM	Nave
Holy Eucharist with Music	
Sunday, October 5, 10:30 AM	Nave, Large Godly Play Room
Children's Chapel with Godly Play	
Sunday, October 5, 3:00 PM	Providence Mt. St. Vincent
Worship at the Mount	
Sunday, October 5, 7:00 PM	Parish Hall
Youth Group	
Monday, October 6, 4:00 PM	Parish Hall
Endolyne Children's Choir*	
Tuesday, October 7, 4:00 PM	Parish Hall, Community Room
Endolyne Children's Choir*	
Tuesday, October 7, 7:00 PM	Community Room
AA Into Action	
Wednesday, October 8, 6:30 PM	Parish Hall
Eucharist, Supper, Book Discussion	
Thursday, October 9, 12:00 PM	Library
SJB Staff Meeting	
Thursday, October 9, 6:30 PM	Choir Room, Nave
Choir Practice	
Thursday, October 9, 6:30 PM	Community Room
AA 12x12	
Friday, October 10, 6:00 PM	Parish Hall
Al-Anon Event*	
Saturday, October 11, 7:45 AM	Parish Hall, Community Room
Al-Anon Speaker Breakfast	
Saturday, October 11, 8:00 AM	The Chelan Café
Men's Gathering	
Saturday, October 11, 1:00 PM	Nave, Churchyard
Services for Karla Eskro	
Sunday, October 12, 8:30 AM	Nave
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Walking through the Bible	
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Endolyne Concert- Yale Whiffenpoofs*	
*Indicates that a group is renting SJB for this use.	