



***St. John's Episcopal Church***  
***The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost***  
***October 12, 2025 ~ 8am***

## **Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Marc Eames**

### **Liturgy of the Word**

*\*The congregation stands as able*

#### **Opening Acclamation:**

**Celebrant** – Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People:** And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

**Collect for Purity:** 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.

#### **The Summary of the Law**

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#### **Gloria:**

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:** Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*\*The congregation may be seated.*

**The First Lesson Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7: Lector: A reading from the book of Jeremiah.**

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

**Lector:** The word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 66:1-11

### *Jubilate Deo*

- 1 Be joyful in God, all  
you lands; \*  
sing the glory of his  
Name;  
sing the glory of his  
praise.
- 2 Say to God, "How  
awesome are your  
deeds! \*  
because of your great  
strength your  
enemies cringe  
before you.
- 3 All the earth bows down  
before you, \*  
sings to you, sings  
out your Name."
- 4 Come now and see the  
works of God, \*  
how wonderful he is  
in his doing toward  
all people.
- 5 He turned the sea into  
dry land,  
so that they went  
through the water on  
foot, \*  
and there we rejoiced  
in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for  
ever;

his eyes keep watch  
over the nations; \*  
let no rebel rise up  
against him.

- 7 Bless our God, you  
peoples; \*  
make the voice of his  
praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in  
life, \*  
and will not allow  
our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have  
proved us; \*  
you have tried us just  
as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into  
the snare; \*  
you laid heavy  
burdens upon our  
backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride  
over our heads;  
we went through fire  
and water; \*  
but you brought us  
out into a place of  
refreshment.

**The Second Lesson 2 Timothy 2: 8-15:**

**Lector:** **Lector: A reading from Paul's Second Epistle to Timothy.** Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful-- for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

**Lector:** The word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God

*\*The congregation will stand as able and turn towards the Gospel book.*

**Deacon:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

**People:** Glory be to thee, O Lord.

**The Gospel: Luke 17:11-19:** On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God

except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

**Deacon:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**The Homily:** Rev. Marc Eames

**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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**The Prayers of the People:**

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**The Confession:** 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 the newness of life, to honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **The Absolution**

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### **The Peace**

## **The Holy Eucharist**

*\*The Congregation will stand as able.*

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And with thy spirit.

**Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them unto the Lord.

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

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

### **Eucharistic Prayer 1:**

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### **Sanctus & Benedictus:**

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.

*\*The Congregation will stand or kneel.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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### **The Fraction:**

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:** Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

**Prayer of Humble Access:** 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.

**Communion** \* *The Congregation may be seated.*

**[All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion when you will be offered a wafer and wine. Gluten-free wafers are available - just ask the priest. If you prefer to receive a blessing only, simply cross your arms over your chest.]**

**Post Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

*\*The congregation may stand or kneel.*

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**

## **The Dismissal**

*\*The congregation will stand as able.*

**Participants in the 8:00 am Eucharists:**

**Celebrant & Preacher** Rev. Marc Eames

**Deacon:** Rev. Deacon Scott J. Stevens

**Minister of Communion, Intercessor, Lector(s):** Laurie Somma

**Acolyte:** Harry Perry

**Altar Guild:** Lois Valliere, Donna Lemay, Jackie Petrizzo

*Two restrooms and a baby-changing area are in the undercroft (basement) of the church, which can be reached by the stairs in the church entryway. Two handicap restrooms are located on the upper level of the church office building next door to the church.*

Rector: The Rev. Marc G. Eames

Deacon: The Rev. Deacon Scott J. Stevens

Director of Music: Zoe Vandermeer

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### **2025 Vestry**

**Sr. Warden:** Skip Sutcliffe

**Jr. Warden:** Bill Francis

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**Treasurer:** Kevin Fenner

**Assistant Treasurer:** Gene Marinelli

### **Vestry Members**

Elaine Anderson, Meghan Birdseye, Mary Davis, Jim Hutton,  
Betsy Ibsen, Joanne Palica, Bruce Perry, Polly Schaefer, Sarah Tierinni