



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

NINETEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST:

Proper 22

October 4, 2026

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

Prelude on *Westminster Abbey*

Charles Callahan (1951-2023)

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

Hymn 518

Christ is made the sure foundation

TUNE: *Westminster Abbey*

Descant

4 Here vouch-safe to all thy serv-ants what they ask of

1 Christ is made the sure foun-da-tion, Christ the head and
2 All that ded-i-cat-ed ci-ti, dear-ly loved of
3 To this tem-ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
4 Here vouch-safe to all thy serv-ants what they ask of

thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev-er

cor-ner-stone, cho-sen of the Lord, and pre-cious,
God on high, in ex-ult-ant ju-bi-la-tion
Hosts, to-day; with thy wont-ed lov-ing-kind-ness
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev-er

with the bless-ed to re-tain, and here-af-ter

bind-ing all the Church in one; ho-ly Zi-on's
pours per-pet-ual mel-o-dy; God the One in
hear thy serv-ants as they pray, and thy full-est
with the bless-ed to re-tain, and here-af-ter

in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.
 help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Words: Latin, ca. 7th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. ♩ - 44
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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

All glory be to God on high

TUNE: *Allein Gott in der Höh*

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*
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The Collect of the Day

Nineteenth 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

First Reading

Isaiah 5:1–7

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

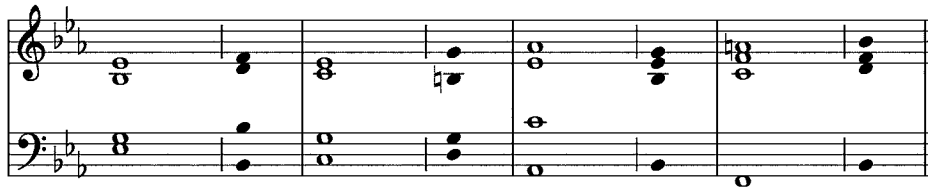
And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Response



SJB Psalm Tone 9, Thomas Aláan

*The people sing with the cantor/choir on the **bold** verses.*

Psalm 80:7–14 • Qui regis Israel

- 7 ¹Restore us, O God of / hosts; *
 ²show the light of your countenance, and we shall be / saved.
- 8 ³You have brought a vine out of / Egypt; *
 ⁴you cast out the nations and / planted it.
- 9 ¹**You prepared the ground for / it; ***
 ²**it took root and filled the / land.**
- 10 ³**The mountains were covered by its / shadow ***
 ⁴**and the towering cedar trees by its / boughs.**
- 11 ¹You stretched out its tendrils to the / Sea *
 ²and its branches to the / River.
- 12 ³Why have you broken down its / wall, *
 ⁴so that all who pass by pluck off its / grapes?
- 13 ¹**The wild boar of the forest has ravaged / it, ***
 ²**and the beasts of the field have grazed up- / on it.**
- 14 ³Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;
 behold and tend this / vine; *
 ⁴**preserve what your right hand has / planted.**

Second Reading

Philippians 3:4b–14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith.

I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



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'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes?'

— Matthew 21:42

All repeat Alleluias.

Holy Gospel

Standing as able.

Matthew 21:33–46

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

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

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.'" So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes?'

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

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 Vince our priests; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek
you in the community of the faithful. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the
Anglican Episcopal Church of Brazil (Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil). In the
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, the Order of Saint
Francis, and Earth Ministry. 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 **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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

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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

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn

The church of Christ in every age

TUNE: *Dunedin*

Hymn 779 from the supplemental hymnal *Wonder, Love, and Praise*.

1. The church of Christ in ev - ery age, be - set by
2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise. A car - ing
4. For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
5. We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -

change but spir - it led, must claim and test its her - i -
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for bread to
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's sac - ri -
fe - ver in our blood. And teach us how to share our
be - dience to our Lord: to care for all with - out re -

tage and keep on ri - sing from the dead.
eat and nev - er live un - til they die.
fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
serve. And spread Christ's lib - er - a - ting word.

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Presentation

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.

Standing as able.

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2 from *Enriching Our Worship 1*

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider 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:

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. —

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Please remain standing.

Presider 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.

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." 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."

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 [_____ and] all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

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.

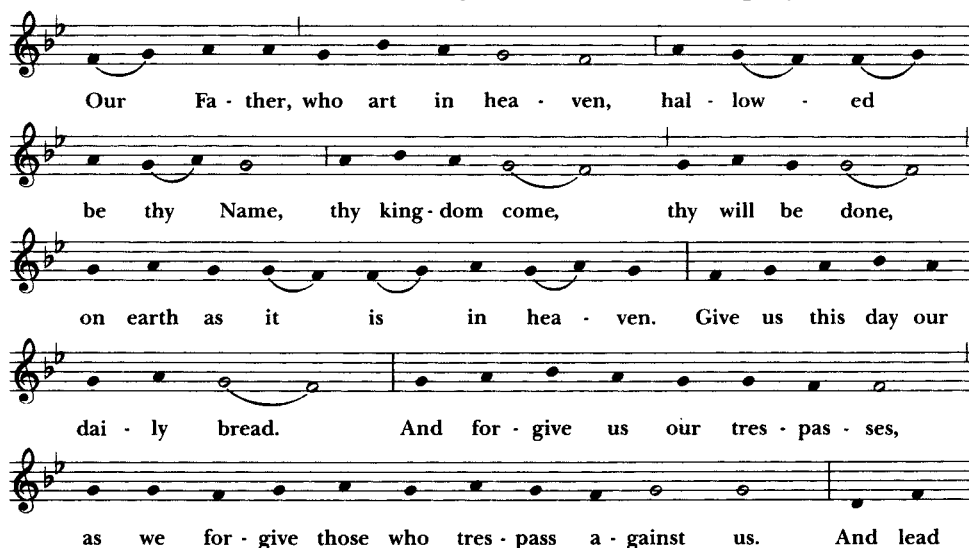


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The Lord's Prayer

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



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*.

Cantor
Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the
Congregation
break - ing of the bread. Be known to us, Lord
Cantor
Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread. The
Congregation
bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, is the com -
Congregation
mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. Be
known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the
Cantor
bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though
Congregation
man - y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord
Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

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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.

Hymn 705

As those of old their first fruits brought

TUNE: *Forest Green*

Unison or harmony

1 As those of old their first fruits brought of vine - yard, flock, and
 *2 A world in need now sum - mons us to la - bor, love, and
 3 With grat - i - tude and hum - ble trust we bring our best to

field to God, the giv - er of all good, the
 give; to make our life an of - fer - ing to
 thee to serve thy cause and share thy love with

source of boun-teous yield; so we to - day our
 God that all may live; the Church of Christ is
 all hu - man - i - ty. O thou who gav - est

first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land, of
 call - ing us to make the dream come true: a
 us thy - self in Je - sus Christ thy Son, help

farm and mar - ket, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.
 world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.
 us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

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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 May God give you grace not to sell yourselves short,
Grace to risk something big for something good,
Grace to remember that the world is now too dangerous for anything but truth,
and too small for anything but love.
May God take your minds and think through them.
May God take your lips and speak through them.
May God take your hands and work through them.
May God take your hearts and set them on fire.

— William Sloane Coffin

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

Hymn 302

Father, we thank thee who hast planted

TUNE: *Rendez à Dieu*

1 Fa - ther, we thank thee who hast plant - ed thy ho - ly Name with -
2 Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mer - cy, save it from e - vil,
in our hearts. Know - ledge and faith and life im - mor - tal Je - sus thy
guard it still, per - fect it in thy love, u - nite it, cleansed and con -
Son to us im - parts. Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy plea - sure,
formed un - to thy will. As grain, once scat - tered on the hill - sides,
didst give us food for all our days, giv - ing in Christ the
was in this bro - ken bread made one, so from all lands thy
Bread e - ter - nal; thine is the power, be thine the praise.
Church be gath - ered in - to thy king - dom by thy Son.

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Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Recessional in C

Hal H. Hopson (1933-2025)

Serving in Worship Today

Altar Guild: Carolyn Koehler;
Children's Chapel: Cathy Thompson;
Closer: Terry Brady;
Coffee Hour: Janet and Mike Johnson;
Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Tom Taylor;
Flowers: Lynn Ogdon-Perrine;
Livestream: Walter Johnstone;
Music: Dr. Thomas Aláan, Dr. Thomas Dickey, SJB Choir;
Preaching: The Rev. Cn. Elise B. Johnstone;
Presiding: The Rev. Vince Booth;
Readers: Jeana Frazier, Katie Bucy;
Ushers: Becky Kacel, Carol Sutcliffe;
Verger: Layne Bautista.

Pastoral Care Phone Number

SJB has a Pastoral Care Line 206-471-9092

Cn. Elise or a member of our Pastoral Care Ministry will carry this dedicated mobile phone when the church office is closed.

If they are unable to take your call, please leave a message, and they will reach out to you at their earliest opportunity.

As always, if you are experiencing a life-threatening emergency, call **911**.

For a mental health emergency, call or text **988**.

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. **Children's Chapel** in the Large Godly Play Room
- 10:30 a.m. **Holy Eucharist with Music** in the Church and livestreamed on our YouTube channel
- 11:45 a.m. **Coffee Hour** in the Parish Hall
- 1:30 p.m. **Blessing of the Animals** in the Church Parking Lot
- 3:00 p.m. **Worship at the Mount** at Providence Mount St. Vincent
- 7:00 p.m. **Youth Group** in the Parish Hall

Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

Hosting coffee hour after the 10:30 a.m. service is a great way to share hospitality with members and visitors by providing simple snacks, preparing coffee, and offering a smiling face and warm presence on Sunday mornings. Hosts serve in teams. Experienced hosts are happy to show newcomers the ropes. If you are interested, sign up on the yellow sheet in the Parish Hall or contact the Parish Office. Thank you!

Last Day for *Salome* Group Tickets

If you would like to join with people from the choir attending Seattle Opera's production of *Salome* at 7 p.m. on Saturday, October 17, please contact Cn. Elise *today*. elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

Youth Group Tonight at 7 p.m.

All 6th–12th graders are invited to join youth group from 7–8:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Bibles for Healthcare Facility in West Seattle

A local healthcare facility is asking for donations of soft-bound (paperback) copies of the Bible (with both the New and Old Testaments; the Gideon editions often do not have both) for their patients who find comfort in reading the Bible. If you have copies at home that you could donate, please bring them to the SJB Office or place them on the blue table in the Narthex. Thank you!

Spiritual Practices in Small Groups

SJB continues our exploration of Spiritual Practices in Small Groups, on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 11 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Cn. Elise. elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

Wednesday Evening Prayer

Evening Prayer is a lovely way to wind down the day. At the beginning of the service, everyone chooses a role and the bulletin is displayed on the screen. At the end there is a short social time. Come join us on Zoom, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/229332884>

Blessing of the Animals Today

In observance of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, you are invited to bring your pets to the SJB parking lot *today* at 1:30 p.m. for a blessing and celebration of their companionship in our lives. Please be sure to have your furry friend on a leash or in a carrier.

Men's Gathering October 10

Men of all ages (and their partners, friends, and neighbors) are invited to a no-host breakfast every second Saturday of the month. Join us at Chelan Café, 3527 Chelan Ave SW, Saturday, October 10, 8 a.m. For more information or a ride, please contact David Perrine, 206-817-2912.

White Center Welcome Table Meal October 10

It's SJB's turn to coordinate a hot meal for our food-insecure neighbors at New Beginnings Fellowship Church in White Center. If you'd like to make casseroles or serve food, please contact Sharon Parker, 206-859-7083.

Walking Through the Bible October 11

Join us on the second and fourth Sundays for *Walking Through the Bible*. You do not have to have a deep knowledge of the Bible to join in these explorations. Join us as we explore Exodus. The group will discern together which book we will explore next. Questions? Please contact Cn. Elise. elise@sjbwestseattle.org

WIN Chili Cookoff October 16

Do you feel drawn to cooking a big crockpot of chili to represent SJB at the Third Annual Chili Cook-Off on October 16? Or do you know someone who might be? It would be fabulous to have two pots of SJB chili being served to guests at this fun fundraiser! We'd also like to offer cornbread, large veggie plates, and desserts. If you'd like to help support this fun event, or just need more information, please call Sharon Parker, 206-859-7083.

The Lord's Lunch October 17

The Lord's Lunch is a monthly community service event led by Dan Johnson, where members of SJB make and pack sack lunches to distribute to unhoused and at-risk populations around West Seattle. Our next gathering is Saturday, October 17, 10:30 a.m., in the Parish Hall. Please use the Signup Genius link to volunteer to provide food or assist with assembly. <https://bit.ly/3G3WORN>



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.

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St. John the Baptist Vestry

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John Hainze
Lurilla Lee
Cathy Thompson,
senior warden

Class of 2027

Linda Barson
Terry Brady
Lauren Cox
Mary Kay Jones,
junior warden

Class of 2028

Sten Crissey
Russ Crosbie
Adrienne Haycock
Becky Kacel

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>

St. John the Baptist Staff and Office Information

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What's going on at SJB this week

Sunday, October 4, 8:30 AM	Nave
Spoken Holy Eucharist	
Sunday, October 4, 9:30 AM	Choir Room
Choir Practice	
Sunday, October 4, 9:35 AM	Library
Adult Formation	
Sunday, October 4, 10:30 AM	Large Godly Play Room
Children's Chapel	
Sunday, October 4, 10:30 AM	Nave
Holy Eucharist with Music	
Sunday, October 4, 1:30 PM	Parking Lot
Blessing of the Animals	
Sunday, October 4, 3:00 PM	Providence Mount St. Vincent
Worship at the Mount	
Sunday, October 4, 7:00 PM	Parish Hall
Youth Group	
Monday, October 5, 4:00 PM	Parish Hall, Community Room
Endolyne Choir Rehearsal*	
Monday, October 5, 6:00 PM	Community Room
AA Shipwrecked*	
Tuesday, October 6, 4:00 PM	Parish Hall, Community Room
Endolyne Choir Rehearsal*	
Tuesday, October 6, 7:00 PM	Community Room
AA Into Action*	
Wednesday, October 7, 6:30 PM	Zoom
Evening Prayer	
Thursday, October 8, 6:30 PM	Nave
Choir Practice	
Thursday, October 8, 7:00 PM	Community Room
AA 12x12*	
Friday, October 9, 6:00 PM	Community Room
AA Shipwrecked*	
Saturday, October 10, 7:45 AM	Parish Hall, Community Room
AI-Anon*	
Saturday, October 10, 8:00 AM	Chelan Cafe
Men's Gathering	
Saturday, October 10, 8:30 AM	Kitchen, Parish Hall
White Center Meal	
Saturday, October 10, 2:00 PM	Churchyard
Churchyard Service	
Sunday, October 11, 8:30 AM	Nave
Spoken Holy Eucharist	
Sunday, October 11, 9:30 AM	Choir Room
Choir Practice	
Sunday, October 11, 9:35 AM	Library
Adult Formation	
Sunday, October 11, 10:30 AM	Large Godly Play Room
Children's Chapel	
Sunday, October 11, 10:30 AM	Nave
Holy Eucharist with Music	
Sunday, October 11, 12:00 PM	Community Room
Walking through the Bible	
*Indicates that a group is renting SJB for this use.	