




# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## SEVENTH SUNDAY of EASTER

May 17, 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

*Two Hymn Miniatures*

Charles Callahan (1951-2023)

*Ringing of the church bell, standing as able.*

### Hymn 214

Hail the day that sees him rise

TUNE: *Llanfair*

1 Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 There the glo - rious tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!  
\*3 See! he lifts his hands a - bove; Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Lord be - yond our mor - tal sight, Al - le - lu - ia!

glo - rious to his na - tive skies; Al - le - lu - ia!  
lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates! Al - le - lu - ia!  
See! he shows the prints of love: Al - le - lu - ia!  
raise our hearts to reach thy height, Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Wide un - fold the ra - diant scene; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!  
there thy face un - cloud - ed see, Al - le - lu - ia!

en - ters now the high - est heaven! Al - le - lu - ia!  
take the King of glo - ry in! Al - le - lu - ia!  
bless - ings on his Church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!  
find our heaven of heavens in thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.  
Music: *Llanfair*, Robert Williams (1781-1821)

77. 77 with Alleluias

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## Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*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 900 from the supplemental hymnal *Wonder, Love, and Praise*.

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, —  
— and peace to his peo-ple on earth. — Lord God,  
heav'n-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther, —. we wor-ship  
you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. —  
Lord Je-sus Christ, — on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, —  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world: — have mer-cy on us; — you are seat-ed at the right  
hand of the Fa-ther: — re-ceive our prayer. — For  
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, — you a-lone are the  
Lord, — you a-lone are the Most High,  
Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, —  
in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men. —

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## **The Collect of the Day**

### **Seventh Sunday of Easter**

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **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**

### **Acts 1:6-14**

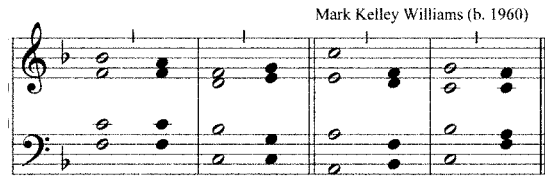
When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Response



The congregation sings with the cantor/choir on the **bold** verses.

### Psalm 68:1–10, 33–36 • *Exsurgat Deus*

- 1 <sup>1</sup>Let God arise, and let his enemies be / *scattered*; \*  
<sup>2</sup>let those who hate him flee be- / *fore him*.
- 2 <sup>3</sup>Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it a- / *way*; \*  
<sup>4</sup>as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of / *God*.
- 3 <sup>1</sup>**But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before / *God*; \***  
<sup>2</sup>**let them also be merry and / *joyful*.**
- 4 <sup>3</sup>**Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the / *heavens*; \***  
<sup>4</sup>**YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice be- / *fore him*!**
- 5 <sup>1</sup>Father of orphans, defender of / *widows*, \*  
<sup>2</sup>God in his holy habi- / *tation*!
- 6 <sup>3</sup>God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into / *freedom*; \*  
<sup>4</sup>but the rebels shall live in dry / *places*.
- 7 <sup>1</sup>**O God, when you went forth before your / *people*, \***  
<sup>2</sup>**when you marched through the / *wilderness*,**
- 8 <sup>3</sup>**The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,**  
**at the presence of God, the God of / *Sinai*, \***  
<sup>4</sup>**at the presence of God, the God of / *Israel*.**
- 9 <sup>1</sup>You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your in- / *heritance*; \*  
<sup>1</sup>you refreshed the land when it was / *weary*.
- 10 <sup>3</sup>Your people found their home in / *it*; \*  
<sup>4</sup>in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the / *poor*.
- 33 <sup>1</sup>**Sing to God, O kingdoms of the / *earth*; \***  
<sup>1</sup>**sing praises to the / *Lord*.**
- 34 <sup>3</sup>**He rides in the heavens, the ancient / *heavens*; \***  
<sup>4</sup>**he sends forth his voice, his mighty / *voice*.**
- 35 <sup>1</sup>Ascribe power to / *God*; \*  
<sup>4</sup>his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the / *skies*.
- 36 <sup>1</sup>**How wonderful is God in his holy / *places*! \***  
<sup>4</sup>**the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be / *God*!**

## Second Reading

1 Peter 4:12–14; 5:6–11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Holy Gospel

*Standing as able.*

John 17:1–11

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

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

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

*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* As we continue this time of joy in the great 50 days of Easter, let us offer prayers to God who fills the darkness of the world with the light of Christ. For the holy churches of God, Sean our presiding bishop; Phil our bishop; Elise and Robert, our priests; the presbyters and deacons, and our new brothers and sisters. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. David's, Friday Harbor; and Grace, Lopez Island. For this holy gathering and all the holy people of God.

*People* **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

*Intercessor* For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people.

*People* **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

*Intercessor* For all those in need, the suffering and the oppressed, travelers and prisoners, especially \_\_\_\_\_, and those we now name either silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_.

We pray to you:

*People* **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

*Intercessor* For ourselves, our families, and those we love, especially \_\_\_\_\_, and thanksgivings we now name either silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_.

We pray to you:

*People* **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

*Intercessor* For the dying and the dead, especially \_\_\_\_\_, and those we now name either silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_.

We pray to you:

*People* **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

*Intercessor* That with Christ we may crush beneath our feet the prince of darkness and all evil powers.

*People* **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

*Intercessor* That Christ may fill us with the joy and happiness of his holy resurrection.

*People* **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

*Intercessor* That we may enter the chamber of the divine wedding feast and rejoice without limit with the angels and saints.

*People* **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

*Intercessor* Remembering our most glorious and blessed Virgin Mary, John the Baptist, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

*People* **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

*Presider* Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light. Hear our prayers which we offer in the hope of eternal glory, and grant that we who have received new life in baptism may live for ever in the joy of the resurrection. Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and always and unto the ages of ages. **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

If you wish to make online donations to the ministry of St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, please visit <https://sjbwestseattle.org/give> or use the SJB Venmo QR code. Thank you.



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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 215

See the Conqueror mounts in triumph

TUNE: *In Babilone*



1 See the Con-queror mounts in tri-umph; see the King in  
2 He who on the cross did suf-fer, he who from the  
3 Thou hast raised our hu-man na-ture on the clouds to



roy-al state, rid-ing on the clouds, his  
grave a-rose, he has van-quished sin and  
God's right hand: there we sit in heaven-ly



char-iot, to his heaven-ly pal-ace gate!  
Sa-tan; he by death has spoiled his foes.  
pla-ces, there with thee in glo-ry stand.



Hark! the choirs of an-gel voic-es joy-ful  
While he lifts his hands in bless-ing, he is  
Je-sus reigns, a-dored by an-gels; Man with



al-le-lu-ias sing, and the por-tals  
part-ed from his friends; while their ea-ger  
God is on the throne; might-y Lord, in



high are lift-ed to re-ceive their heaven-ly King.  
eyes be-hold him, he up-on the clouds a-scends.  
thine as-cen-sion, we by faith be-hold our own.

Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885), alt.

Music: *In Babilone*, melody from *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradanseu*, 1710

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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.



*Please remain standing.*

*Presider* Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

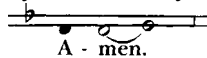
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

*Presider* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

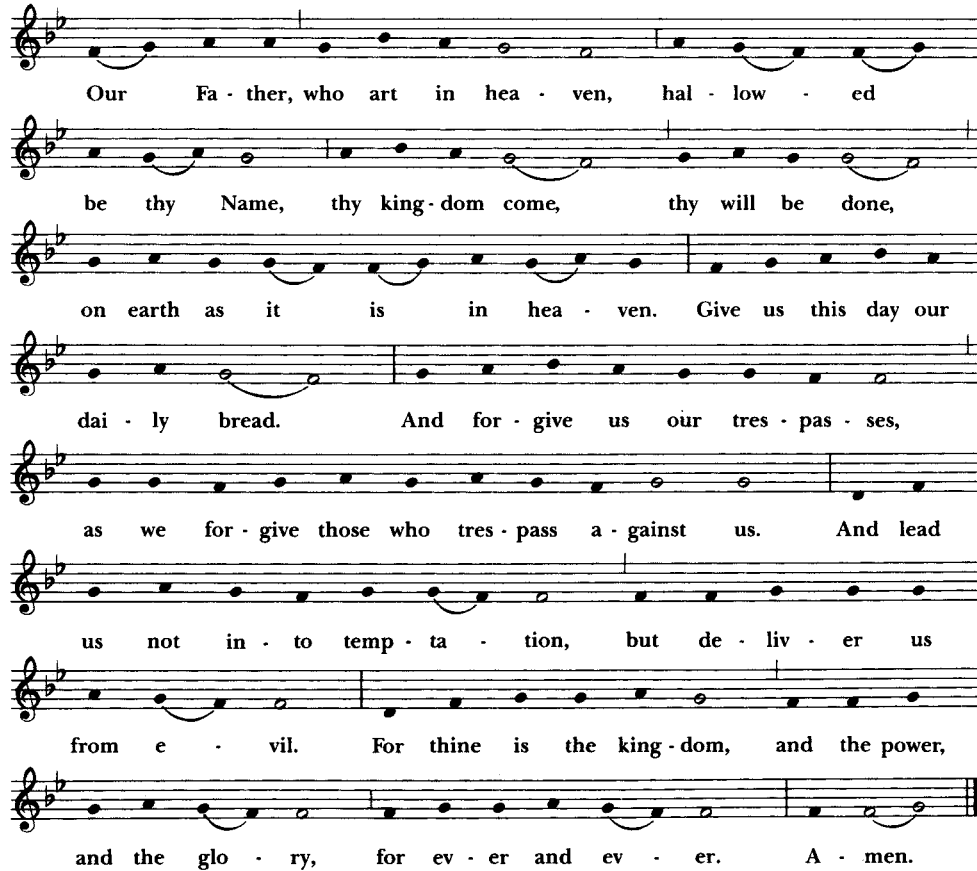
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.



## 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.

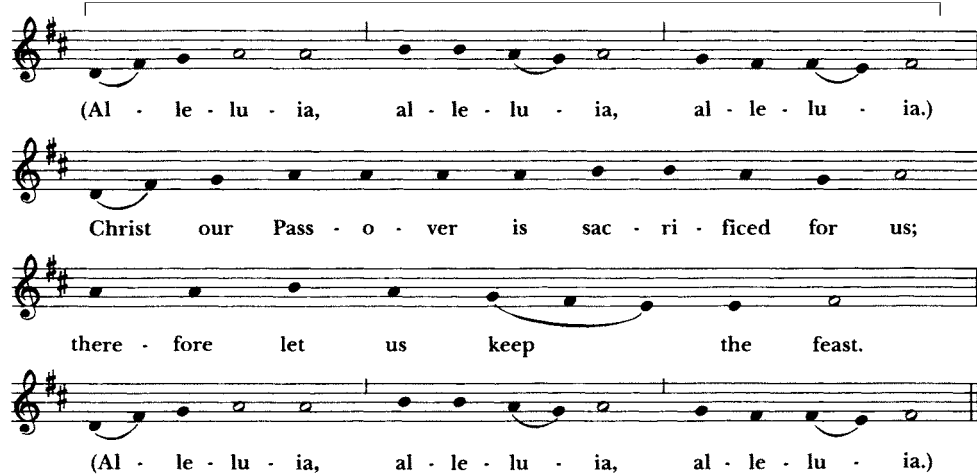
Setting: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

## Breaking of the Bread

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

## Fraction Anthem S154

*Introduction sung by cantor or played on keyboard, then sung by all.*



(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.)  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.)

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

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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 ministrations, 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 Music**

*Ave verum corpus*

William Byrd (1540-1623)

### **Communion Anthem**

*O magnum mysterium*

Morten Lauridsen (b. 1943)

O magnum mysterium, et admirabile sacramentum,  
ut animalia viderent Dominum natum, iacentem in praesepe!  
Beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare  
Dominum Iesum Christum. Alleluia!

O great mystery, and wonderful sacrament,  
that animals should see the newborn Lord, lying in a manger!  
Blessed is the virgin whose womb was worthy to bear  
the Lord, Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

# Communion Hymn 382

Sung by all.

King of glory, King of peace

TUNE: *General Seminary*

1 King of glo - ry, King of peace, I will love thee;  
2 Where - fore with my ut - most art, I will sing thee;  
3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;

*Tenor or soprano ad libitum*  
3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;

and that love may nev - er cease, I will move thee.  
and the cream of all my heart, I will bring thee.  
in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.

Thou hast grant - ed my re - quest, thou hast heard me;  
Though my sins a - gainst me cried, thou didst clear me;  
Small it is in this poor sort to en - roll thee;

Small it is in this poor sort to en - roll thee;

thou didst note my work - ing breast, thou hast spared me.  
and a - lone, when they re - plied, thou didst hear me.  
e'en e - ter - ni - ty's too short to ex - tol thee.

e'en e - ter - ni - ty's too short to ex - tol thee.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

Music: *General Seminary*, David Charles Walker (b. 1938)

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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* **Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## **Easter Blessing**

*Presider* The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Hymn

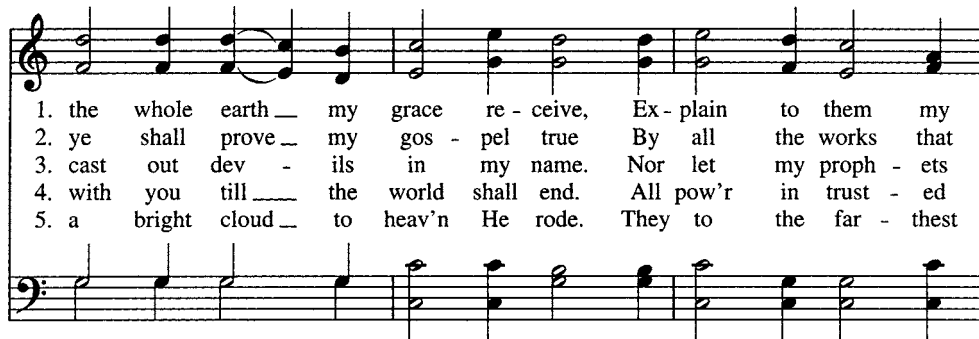
### "Go preach my gospel," saith the Lord

TUNE: *Retreat*

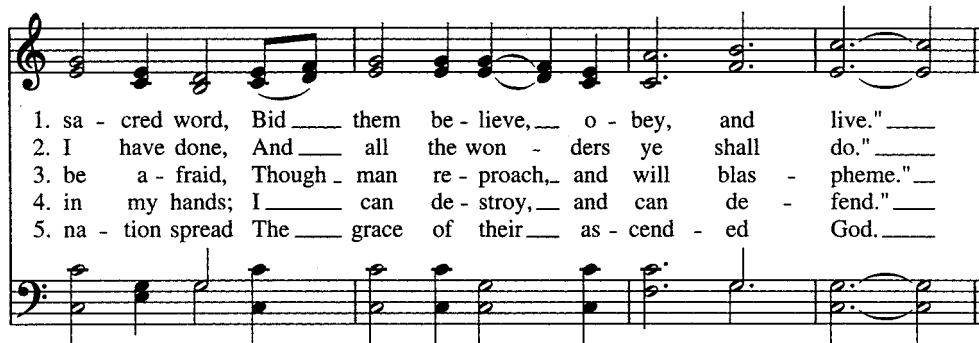
Hymn 161 from the supplemental hymnal *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*.



1. "Go \_\_\_ preach my gos - pel," saith the Lord, "Bid \_\_\_  
2. "I'll \_\_\_ make my great \_\_\_ com - mis - sion known, And \_\_\_  
3. "Go \_\_\_ heal the sick, \_\_\_ go raise the dead, Go \_\_\_  
4. "While \_\_\_ thus ye fol - low my com - mands, I'm \_\_\_  
5. He \_\_\_ spake and light \_\_\_ shone round His head, On \_\_\_



1. the whole earth \_\_\_ my grace re - ceive, Ex - plain to them my  
2. ye shall prove \_\_\_ my gos - pel true By all the works that  
3. cast out dev - ils in my name. Nor let my proph - ets  
4. with you till \_\_\_ the world shall end. All pow'r in trust - ed  
5. a bright cloud \_\_\_ to heav'n He rode. They to the far - thest



1. sa - cred word, Bid \_\_\_ them be - lieve, \_\_\_ o - bey, and live." \_\_\_  
2. I have done, And \_\_\_ all the won - ders ye shall do." \_\_\_  
3. be a - fraid, Though \_\_\_ man re - proach, \_\_\_ and will blas - pheme." \_\_\_  
4. in my hands; I \_\_\_ can de - stroy, \_\_\_ and can de - fend." \_\_\_  
5. na - tion spread The \_\_\_ grace of their \_\_\_ as - cend - ed God. \_\_\_

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)  
Music: Thomas Hastings (1784-1872)

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## Dismissal

*Presider* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

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

## Postlude

*Tocatta and Fugue*

Anonymous (18th Century)

## **Serving in Worship Today**

**Acolyte:** Jordan Alfonzo;

**Altar Guild:** Wilma Hansen;

**Children's Chapel:** Kristin Alfonzo;

**Closer:** Adrienne Haycock;

**Coffee Hour:** Vestry;

**Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor:** Adrienne Haycock;

**Flowers:** Adrienne Haycock, Jessica Sandoval;

**Livestream:** Walter Johnstone;

**Music:** Thomas Aláan, Thomas Dickey, SJB Choir;

**Preaching/Presiding:** The Rev. Cn. Elise B. Johnstone;

**Readers:** Jeana Frazier, Kitt Gassman;

**Ushers:** Becky Kacel, Kathy Lund;

**Vergers:** Tom Taylor.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Today at St. John the Baptist

8:30 a.m. **Spoken Holy Eucharist** in the Church

9:30 am **Choir Practice** in the Choir Room

9:35 a.m. **Adult Formation** in the Library:  
Casual Conversation with Canon Elise

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:  
A special sendoff for Canon Elise

1:30 p.m. **Mini Organ Concert** in the Nave:  
hymn sing and intro to the organ with Dr. Thomas Dickey

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!

## Sunday Morning Adult Formation

Today, May 17, 9:35 a.m., in the Library, Canon Elise will hold the space for a time of conversation, reflection, and curiosity. Questions? Please email Canon Elise. [elise@SJBWestSeattle.org](mailto:elise@SJBWestSeattle.org)

## Youth Confirmation Classes

Interested students in Grade 6 and up have begun a series of confirmation classes, Sunday afternoons, 12:30–2:30 p.m. Remaining dates include 5/24, 6/7, 8/2, and 9/13. If you have any questions, please contact Family Life Minister Jackson Espeut. [familylife@SJBWestSeattle.org](mailto:familylife@SJBWestSeattle.org)

## Spiritual Practices in Small Groups

SJB continues our exploration of Spiritual Practices in Small Groups, on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Robert. [robert@SJBWestSeattle.org](mailto:robert@SJBWestSeattle.org)

## Walking Through the Bible

Join us on May 24 and June 14 for *Walking Through the Bible*. You do not need to have a deep knowledge of the Bible to join in these explorations. We are studying the Book of Exodus. Questions? Please email Canon Elise. [elise@SJBWestSeattle.org](mailto:elise@SJBWestSeattle.org)

## Wednesday Evening Prayer

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

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

## Sabbatical Sendoff for Canon Elise

May 17 is the last Sunday that Canon Elise will be worshipping with us before she leaves on her three-month sabbatical. Please join us for a special Coffee Hour this Sunday, following the 10:30 a.m. service. We'll celebrate Elise's nearly five years of service to the St. John's community and wish her the best as she embarks on a well-deserved time of travel, study, and renewal. She will return on September 1.

## Mini Concert on the New Organ

As we begin to experience our long-awaited new organ, you are invited to a mini organ concert and hymn sing today at 1:30 p.m. in the Nave.

## Pentecost is Next Sunday – Wear Red

Sunday, May 24, is the principal feast of Pentecost, where we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit to empower the Church, the Body of Christ. You are encouraged to wear red to both services as we mark the power of the Spirit in our community.

## Looking Ahead to Summer Camp?

Registration to Camp Huston is open. Our Episcopal Church summer camp in Gold Bar offers everything from counselor training to youth discovery camps to horse camp to adult craft camps. For more information, please visit [www.huston.org](http://www.huston.org)





## 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](mailto:elise@sjbwestseattle.org)

\*During Canon Elise's sabbatical, May 20–August 31, please contact Fr. Robert. [robert@sjbwestseattle.org](mailto:robert@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](mailto:office@sjbwestseattle.org)

### St. John the Baptist Vestry

#### Class of 2026

Kitt Gassman  
John Hainze  
Lurilla Lee  
Cathy Thompson,  
*senior warden*

#### Class of 2028

Sten Crissey  
Russ Crosbie  
Adrienne Haycock  
Becky Kacel

#### Class of 2027

Linda Barson  
Terry Brady  
Lauren Cox  
Mary Kay Jones,  
*junior 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>

### St. John the Baptist Staff and Office Information

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If you wish to reach a staff person who does not have an email listed, please contact the office.

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### What's going on at SJB this week

Sunday, May 17, 8:30 AM	Spoken Holy Eucharist	Nave
Sunday, May 17, 9:30 AM	Choir Practice	Choir Room
Sunday, May 17, 9:35 AM	Casual Conversation with Cn. Elise	Narthex or Library
Sunday, May 17, 10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist with Music	Nave
Sunday, May 17, 10:30 AM	Children's Chapel with Godly Play	Nave, Large Godly Play Room
Sunday, May 17, 1:30 PM	Intro to the New Organ concert and hymn sing	Nave
Sunday, May 17, 2:30 PM	WS Indivisible Meeting begins 3:30 p.m.	Parish Hall, Community Room
Sunday, May 17, 7:00 PM	Youth Group	Parish Hall
Monday, May 18, 4:00 PM	Endolyne Rehearsal*	Parish Hall
Monday, May 18, 6:00 PM	AA Shipwrecked	Community Room
Tuesday, May 19, 4:00 PM	Endolyne Rehearsal*	Parish Hall, Community Room
Tuesday, May 19, 7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting	Library
Tuesday, May 19, 7:00 PM	AA Into Action	Community Room
Wednesday, May 20, 2:30 PM	WSHS Outreach	Parish Hall
Wednesday, May 20, 6:30 PM	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Wednesday, May 20, 7:00 PM	Endolyne Board Meeting*	Vesting Room
Thursday, May 21, 5:30 PM	WSHS Baseball*	Kitchen, Parish Hall
Thursday, May 21, 6:30 PM	Choir Practice	Choir Room
Thursday, May 21, 7:00 PM	AA 12x12	Community Room
Friday, May 22, 1:00 PM	Services for Terry Heckler	Nave, Parish Hall
Friday, May 22, 6:00 PM	AA Shipwrecked	Community Room
Saturday, May 22, 7:45 AM	AI-Anon	Parish Hall, Community Room
Sunday, May 24, 8:30 AM	Spoken Holy Eucharist	Nave
Sunday, May 24, 9:30 AM	Choir Practice	Choir Room
Sunday, May 24, 9:35 AM	Adult Formation	Narthex or Library
Sunday, May 24, 10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist with Music	Nave
Sunday, May 24, 10:30 AM	Children's Chapel with Godly Play	Nave, Large Godly Play Room
Sunday, May 24, 12:00 PM	Walking Through the Bible	Vesting Room
Sunday, May 24, 12:30 PM	Youth Confirmation Class	Library
Monday, May 25, 10:00 AM	Closed for Memorial Day	Church Office

\*Indicates that a group is renting SJB for this use.