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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 25, 2023 • 10:00 AM

*Welcome to St. John's, Shaughnessy!  
Wherever you are on your spiritual  
journey, and whether you are joining us in  
the church building or via the livestream,  
we are glad you are here!*

*If you are new here and would like to learn  
more, please introduce yourself to the clergy  
after the service. If you would like to be  
added to our mailing list so that we may  
keep you informed of upcoming events,  
please contact the church office.*

*Infants and children (and their  
accompanying noises) enliven our services.  
Colouring, crafts, and quiet toys are  
available in the children's area, just to the  
left of the front pews.*

*We acknowledge with respect that we  
worship on the traditional, ancestral, and  
unceded territory of the Coast Salish  
Peoples, and we pray that we may live more  
deeply into the calls to action from Canada's  
Truth and Reconciliation Commission.*

*A brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour bids us all keep silence for prayer  
and preparation.*

*The people's responses are in **bold**.*

PRELUDE *Liebster Jesu*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

GREETING

# THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN

NETTLETON

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2 Here I make faith's af-firm-a-tion: thus far by thy help I've come,  
3 O to grace how great a debt-or dai-ly I'm con-strained to be!

streams of mer-cy, nev-er ceas-ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.  
and I hope, by thy com-pas-sion, safe-ly to ar-rive at home.  
Let thy good-ness, like a fet-ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me-lo-dious mea-sure, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;  
Je-sus sought me when a stran-ger, wan-dering from the fold of God;  
Prone to wan-der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

O the vast, the bound-less trea-sure of my God's un-chang-ing love.  
 he, to res-cue me from dan-ger, in-ter-posed his pre-cious blood.  
 take my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a-bove.

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
 and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God,  
**to you all hearts are open,**  
**all desires known,**  
**and from you no secrets are hidden.**  
**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 GLORIA

PSALM 42

1 Glo - ry, in the high - est glo - ry, peace to all, in all their days.  
 2 Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Lamb of God, for sin - ners given,

Wor - ship, thanks, and praise un - ceas - ing to the Source of all we raise:  
 Word e - ter - nal, born of Ma - ry, Word made flesh, the face of heaven:

reign - ing in the sap - phire height, hid - den from our mor - tal sight,  
 ho - ly one, to you we pray, hear us in the realms of day,

now re - ceive our a - dor - a - tion, as we make our sup - pli - ca - tion.  
 with the Spir - it there u - nit - ed, and the God - head high ex - alt - ed.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE FIRST READING

Genesis 21:8-21

*A reading from the Book of Genesis*

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

- 1 Bow down your ear, O Lord, and answer me,  
for I am poor and in misery.
- 2 Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful;  
save your servant who puts his trust in you.
- 3 Be merciful to me, O Lord, for you are my God;  
I call upon you all the day long.
- 4 Gladden the soul of your servant,  
for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- 5 For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,  
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.
- 6 Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer,  
and attend to the voice of my supplications.
- 7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon you,  
for you will answer me.
- 8 Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord,  
nor anything like your works.
- 9 All nations you have made will come and worship you, O Lord,  
and glorify your name.
- 10 For you are great; you do wondrous things;  
and you alone are God.
- 16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me;  
give your strength to your servant;  
and save the child of your handmaid.
- 17 Show me a sign of your favour,  
so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed;  
because you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

*A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans*

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE

LIEBSTER JESU

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at your word we are gath - ered all to  
 2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness  
 3 Glo - rious Lord, your - self im - part! Light of light, from God pro -

hear you. Let our hearts and souls be stirred  
 shroud - ed till your Spir - it breaks our night  
 ceed - ing, o - pen lips and ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear you. By your gos - pel  
 with your beams of truth un - cloud - ed. You a - lone to  
 help us by your Spir - it's lead - ing. Hear the cry your

pure and ho - ly, teach us, Lord, to love you sole - ly.  
 God can win us, you must work all good with - in us.  
 church now rais - es; Lord, ac - cept our prayers and prais - es!



## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The Cantor sings the Refrain; then all repeat.*



*Cantor*      The Spirit of truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord; and you also are witnesses. *Refrain.*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 10:24-39

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. James Hwang

*Please stand as you are able.*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,  
**the Father almighty,**  
**creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,**  
**his only Son, our Lord.**  
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit**  
**and born of the Virgin Mary.**  
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,**  
**was crucified, died, and was buried.**  
**He descended to the dead.**  
**On the third day he rose again.**  
**He ascended into heaven,**  
**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**  
**the holy catholic Church,**  
**the communion of saints,**  
**the forgiveness of sins,**  
**the resurrection of the body,**  
**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us call upon the Lord who does wondrous things, offering prayers for all people.

God of faithfulness, we pray for your Church throughout the world: give us grace to grow in faith and unity, that our life together might manifest Christ's love to the world. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Linda, our Primate; for Chris, the National Indigenous Archbishop; and for John, our own bishop. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of Bangladesh. In our own diocese, we pray for the parish of St. David/St. Paul, Powell River; and for the legal officers of the diocese. We pray also for our companion diocese, the Diocese of Northern Philippines; and for our companion parishes of St. Luke, Butbut Proper and St. James, Luccong.

Lord in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, we await with hope the day when all nations will come and worship you, and glorify your name. We pray for all who hold authority in the nations of the earth, that they might lead with wisdom and compassion, pursue justice with mercy, and seek the well-being of all people. We pray especially for Justin, our prime minister; David, our premier; Ken, our mayor; and for all those who serve the common good.

Lord in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

Loving God, you count every hair on our heads; you count us all of great value. We offer to you the concerns of our hearts for those we love, for those in need, and for those who have been commended to our prayers, remembering especially the poor, the sick, the lonely, and all who minister to them (including . . .). May they know the healing power of your love.

Lord in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

Precious in your sight, O Lord, is the death of your servants. We entrust to your loving care all those we love but see no longer (especially . . .). Receive them into the arms of your mercy, and comfort those who grieve with the sure and certain hope of the resurrection.

Lord in your mercy:

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant concludes*

God of truth uncovered, you trace the sparrow's flight and plumb the secrets of the heart: bring our fear and conflict into the light of your presence, so that we may lose our hollow life and find our way to you; through Jesus Christ, the master and the slave. **Amen.**

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

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 neighbours as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son 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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## THE OFFERTORY

*As the altar is prepared for Holy Communion, the congregation is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. A QR code is provided for those who prefer to donate online. During the collection, a hymn is sung.*



## OFFERTORY HYMN

## EXCELSIOR

1 Near - er, my God, to thee, near - er to thee!  
 2 Though, like the wan - der - er, the sun gone down,  
 3 There let the way ap - pear, steps un - to heaven;

Even though it be a cross that rais - eth me,  
 dark - ness be o - ver me, my rest a stone,  
 all that thou send - est me, in mer - cy given;

still all my song would be: "Near - er, my God, to thee,  
 yet in my dreams I'd be near - er, my God, to thee,  
 an - gels to beck - on me near - er, my God, to thee,

near - er, my God, to thee, near - er to thee!"  
 near - er, my God, to thee, near - er to thee.  
 near - er, my God, to thee, near - er to thee.

4 Then with my waking thoughts  
 bright with thy praise,  
 out of my stony griefs  
 Bethel I'll raise,  
 so by my woes to be  
 nearer, my God, to thee,  
 nearer, my God, to thee,  
 nearer to thee.

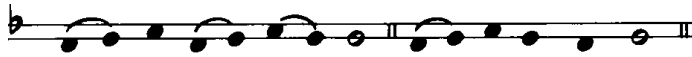
5 Or if on joyful wing  
 cleaving the sky,  
 sun, moon, and stars forgot,  
 upwards I fly,  
 still all my song shall be  
 "Nearer, my God, to thee,  
 nearer, my God to thee,  
 nearer to thee!"

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Eternal God, you have made our Saviour Jesus Christ the head of all creation. Receive all we offer you this day and renew us in his risen life, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



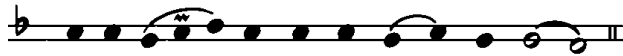
The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.



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



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing,

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *Community Mass* R. Proulx (1937-2010)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glor - y. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Celebrant continues*

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

**Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**Our Father,  
who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**We, being many, are one body,  
for we all share in the one bread.**



THE FRACTION ANTHEM *Mass of St. George*

Andrew Wells (b.1962)

**Larghetto**

(org.) Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.

REPEAT Descant Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world. Grant us peace.

*pp*

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We invite all baptized Christians to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, you may indicate that desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward, please ask a sidesperson to have Communion brought to you.*

AT THE COMMUNION: ANTHEM

*And Didst Thou Travel Light*

Words: G. Dearmer (1893-1986)

Music: R. Shepherd (1949-2021)

And didst thou travel light, dear Lord, was thine so smooth a road,  
that thou upon thy shoulders broad could hoist our heavy load?

Too frail each other's woes to bear without thy help are we;  
can we each other's burdens share, if we not burden thee?

O wonder of the world withstood that night of prayer and doom;  
was not the sunset red with blood, the dawn pale as a tomb?

In agony and bloody sweat, in tears of love undried,  
O undespairing Lord, and yet, with man identified.

As in dark drops the pitting rain falls on a dusty street,  
so tears shall fall and fall again to wash thy wounded feet.

But thy quick hands to heal are strong, O love, thy patients we  
who sing with joy the pilgrim's song and walk, dear Lord, with thee.

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God, guide and protect your people who share in this sacred mystery, and keep us always in your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE DOXOLOGY

Glory to God,  
**whose power, working in us,  
can do infinitely more  
than we can ask or imagine.**  
Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE NOTICES

## THE BLESSING

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## HYMN AT THE CLOSING

## FOUNDATION



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!  
3 When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
4 When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
5 The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose





is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!  
 For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;  
 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;  
 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply:  
 I will not— I will not de - sert to its foes;



What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - our to shake,



to you who to Je - sus for ref - uge have fled?  
 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.  
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
 I'll nev - er— no, nev - er— no, nev - er for - sake!"



### THE DISMISSAL

Let go forth in the name of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY *Fugue in Eb (St. Anne) BWV 552b-iii*

J.S. Bach

*Please remain standing as the procession leaves the church. We hope you will join us for refreshments in the Trendell Lounge after the service.*

## ST. JOHN'S, SHAUGHNESSY STAFF AND LEADERSHIP

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