

**ST. JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH**

**he 18th Sunday After Pentecost**

September 22nd, 2024

Holy Eucharist -10:00 a.m.

Celebrant: Ven. John Anderson

Sermon : Archdeacon John

Director of Music: Jeff Campbell

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Piano Prelude:

Processional Hymn # 381 "Praise, My Soul"

Praise my Soul

Welcome

Gathering of the Community

Wisdom calls to us with hard truths, showing us where we've strayed in our hearts and as a community and urging us back onto God's path. Will you follow?

**Yes, with God's help, we will follow!**

Wisdom's call persists through the twists and turns, the rough patches, the barely discernible paths forward, and the moments we feel completely lost. Will you hold onto Wisdom wherever she takes you?

**Yes, with God's help, we will hold onto Wisdom!**

Then Beloved, let us worship God together as we cling to wisdom on our journey along the path of salvation paved with God's love.

**Yes! Let us worship God together! Amen.**

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, June 2024

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.**

Gathering Hymn “How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place” Paul A. Tate

Congregation, please join on each refrain.

**Refrain**

**How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord, my God! How lovely is your dwelling place, is your dwelling place, O God!**

**V1** Solo - Alexandra Teske

My soul is thirsting for the Lord, how it yearns for the courts of the Lord. My heart and soul ring out for joy to God, the living God.

**Refrain**

**V2** Solo - Christina Bosco

The sparrow finds herself a home and the swallow a nest for her brood. She lays her young by your altars. Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

**Refrain**

**V3** The Choir

One day, O Lord, within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. The threshold of the house of God I prefer to the house of the wicked.

## **Refrain**

### Gathering Prayer

Wisdom of God, from the street corners and at the entrances to the city you proclaim the way of life and of death. Grant us wisdom to recognize your Messiah, so that following in the way of the cross, we may know the way of life and glory; in the name of Christ, we pray.

**Amen.**

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.

## **Proclamation of the Word**

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant girls. She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. Strength and dignity are her

clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.  
PROVERBS 31:10-31

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom      **Thanks be to God.**

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF JAMES 3:13-18

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.      **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation Hymn #405      "Alleluia No. 1"

Verses 1

Alleluia No. 1

The Lord be with you,

**And also with you.**

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.*

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

ACCORDING TO MARK

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want any anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again."

But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

MARK 9:30-37

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Gospel Acclamation Hymn #405 "Alleluia No. 1"

Verses 4

Alleluia No. 1

Sermon Archdeacon John

Solo "Rejoice Greatly, O Daughter of Zion"  
Alexandra Teske, soloist

from Messiah

Affirmation of Faith - (please stand if able)

Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

*Elizabeth Morum, Lay Reader*

Confession and Absolution

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

Silence is Kept.

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 humble 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 you 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.**

The Peace *(Please stand if able)*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn #439 "Blest Are the Pure in Heart"

Franconia

### **The Celebration of the Eucharist**

Prayer Before Communion

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

### Eucharistic Prayer #3

The Lord be with you.

**And also 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.**

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you are the source of light and life for all your creation, you made us in your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus (732 CP )" Holy, Holy, Holy"      *Community Mass/R. Proulx*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you,. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out death into life.



On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord 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 he 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, Father, according to his command,  
**we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children, through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. People **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

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 Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei (#745) "Lamb of God"

*Mass of Hope*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

Music During Communion:

Hymn: #52 (CP) “ O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near” St. Flavian

Hymn # 59 (CP) “Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him” Jusus Calls Us

Anthem: “ Trust in the Lord” Alan Pote

The St. James' Choir

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not, lean not upon your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will show you the way. He will show you the way.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind and strength. Love your neighbour, your neighbour as yourself. Love and trust in the Lord.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not, lean not upon your own understanding. In all your ways, in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will show you the way. He will show you the way.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart.

Prayer After Communion

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love towards one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) . alt

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.**

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn “ O, Zion Haste, Your Mission High Fulfilling” Tidings

**V1**

O Zion haste, your mission high fulfilling to tell to all the world that God is light; that he who made all nations is not willing one soul should perish, lost in shades of night.

**Refrain**

**Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace; tidings of Jesus, redemption and release!**

**V2**

Behold how many thousands still are lying, bound in the darksome prison house of sin, with none to tell them of the Savior's dying or of the life he died for them to win.

**Refrain**

### V3

Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation that God in whom they live and move is love: tell how he stooped to save his lost creation, and died on earth that man might live above.

### Refrain

### V4

Give of your church to bear the message glorious; give of your wealth to speed them on their way; pour out your soul for them in prayer victorious: and all your spending Jesus will repay.

### Refrain

### Dismissal

We are followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, and serving the world God love. **Thanks be to God.**

Sung Benediction "May the Peace of God Be Your Peace"

N. McLaren

May the peace of God be your peace. May the love of God be the love you show. May the joy of God be the joy you know, and may the world that God would see be found in you.

Organ Postlude: " Rigaudon"

Andre Campra

*We wish to thank Christina Bosco, & Alexandra Teske Vocalists for sharing their musical gifts with us this morning.*

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