

THE SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST



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B O O K O F C O M M O N P R A Y E R

with Spiritual Communion

{WELCOMING PRAYER}

HOLY SPIRIT living within us, guide our hearts and minds as we welcome today all those who worship *with* St. Mary's. Give us discerning hearts so that everyone who crosses our threshold feels welcomed in the spirit of your love. Help us to recognize each person as an individual sent by you who will enrich our lives. And most of all, O God, let this be a *community* of love and acceptance for all your children; in the name of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

T H E L I T U R G Y O F T H E W O R D O F G O D

Beginning on page 355 of the *Book of Common Prayer*

{OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY}

Celebrant
People

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant

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 IN EXCELSIS}

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
 have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
 receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

{COLLECT OF THE DAY}

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O LORD, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

{THE LESSONS}

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 2 SAMUEL 6:1-5, 12-19

A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

DAVID AGAIN GATHERED all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David

was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.

They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM: PSALM 24

Antiphon: **Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.**

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, *
the world and all who dwell therein.

For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

"Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? " *
and who can stand in his holy place?"

"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.

They shall receive a blessing from the Lord *
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."

Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

"Who is this King of glory?" *
"The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle."

Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

"Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory."

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: EPHESIANS 1:3-14

A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians.

BLESSED BE THE GOD and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL: MARK 6:1-13

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark
Glorify to you, Lord Christ.

KING HEROD HEARD of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When

he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

{THE SERMON}

{THE NICENE CREED}

WE BELIEVE in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

WE BELIEVE in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
And his kingdom will have no end.

WE BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
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.

{THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE}

Come, Holy Spirit, hear the innermost thoughts of our hearts, and teach us to pray:

BOUNDLESS GOD, by whose power the whole world was created, and in whose wisdom we were fashioned and called to be your people, teach us wisdom and empower by your Spirit all your holy people for the work you have given us to do. We pray especially for +Bonnie (Perry), our Bishop; +Michael (Curry), our Presiding Bishop; +Justin (Welby), the Archbishop of Canterbury; +Moises (Quezada Mota), Bishop of the Diocese of the Dominican Republic; +Elizabeth (Eaton), +Donald (Kreiss), and +Craig (Satterlee), our Lutheran Bishops in Common Mission; +Wendell (Gibbs) and +Stewart (Wood), our retired Bishops; and Andy+ (Guffey), our priest; and for all the people of St. Mary's.

Lord, come to bless us
and fill us with your Spirit.

GOD OF ABUNDANT LIFE, in whose presence we find the truest Peace, teach us to live our common life with reckless peace, mercy, and generosity for all. As our work of peace constantly fails, be with those who strive to maintain it by serving in our armed forces, especially **Kevin Tye, Josh Tindall, Craig Froehlich, Justin Briggs, Josom Alomran, Jason Kelly, James Monaghan, Scott, Blake Abel, Joshua, Jerry Holley, Corbin, Nick McKenna, Sean Kellogg, Brandon Jamison, Patrick Kline, Anna Whetstone, Kyle Sholos, Marcus Powell, and LeeAnn Beckman.**

Lord, come to bless us
and fill us with your Spirit.

HEALING GOD, through whose Spirit the whole world is being renewed, bring us to wholeness; heal our hatreds and cruelties, as well as our infirmities and illnesses. Send your Comforter into all places of suffering, violence, and pain, and be especially with **Suzanne LaBatt, Linda & Al Nielsen, Sarah DelCampo, Christie Rowden, Carolyn Birch, Dan R., Kim Little, Neil King, Irene Howe, Terry Hart, Jaime Kinser, Brian**

and the Kelly Family, Janet Spears, Barb Sheldrick, Joe Shively, Penny Clay, Beth Shively, Victoria Shively, Marlyn Stroud, the Lee Family, Hannah and Tyler, Gail Bones, Nancy Marshall, Todd Rachel, Bernie Hetrick, Shirley Geeck, the Rev. Frederick Trumbore, Hardy Kefes; and all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, including those we now name (*please add your own names, silently or aloud*).

Lord, come to bless us
and fill us with your Spirit.

LIVING GOD, in whose Spirit death is swallowed by life, bring safely to your eternal shores those whom we love but see no longer, especially **Jim Taylor, Robert Wandschneider,** and those we now name _____ (*please add your own names, silently or aloud*). Welcome also those who go unnamed this day, the victims of chance, or illness, or cruelty.

Lord, come to bless us
and fill us with your Spirit.

Let us now offer those prayers which the Holy Spirit stirs within us.

A moment of silence will be held for you to offer your own prayers and intentions.

The Celebrant concludes the prayers with a Collect.

{CONFESSION OF SIN}

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All

**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 neighbors 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.**

{THE PEACE}

Celebrant
People

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

{THE OFFERTORY}

{EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B}

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Celebrant
People

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Celebrant
People

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

Celebrant
People

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

IT IS RIGHT, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, maker of heaven and earth... *(here the Celebrant offers the Proper Preface for the day)*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, Lord, God of power and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

WE GIVE THANKS TO YOU, O GOD, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**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, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

AMEN.

And now, as our Savior 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, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

{THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD}

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

{SPIRITUAL COMMUNION}

An Act of Reception

O GOD, you are our God; eagerly we seek you;
our souls thirst for you, our flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.
Therefore, we have gazed upon you in your holy place,
that we might behold your power and your glory.
We believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament,
And, since we cannot all at this time receive these gifts,
We pray you to come into our hearts, and to unite us with yourself
as we endeavor to embrace you with our whole heart,
and soul, and mind, and strength.
Let nothing separate us from you,
and let us serve you in this life until, by your grace,
we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

{PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION}

Officiant and People

ETERNAL GOD, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son 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 Lord. Amen.

{BLESSING}

May the Living God kindle life in your hearts and in your limbs;
May the Healing Word dissolve despair and dispel all shadows within you;
May the Spirit of Unquenchable Love fill you with Godly desire and holy longing;
and the blessing of God the Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you
and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Officiant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

St. Mary's In The Hills.

*inspired by the Word and nurtured by the sacraments,
promotes an active and community-conscious congregation
supporting the mission and ministry of
Jesus Christ.*



Here at St. Mary's we believe we are blessed and strengthened by God's diverse creation of age, race, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, nationality, and spoken language. We welcome all who seek to follow Christ into the full life and service of the Church.