



ST. JOHN'S WESTWOOD

WE JOYFULLY WELCOME YOU TO
ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

September 17, 2023 | 10:00AM | The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST, Rite II

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude *arr. Let Us Break Bread* Dan Reid (b.1991)

Entrance Hymn All Creatures of our God and King *The Hymnal 1982* 400 vv.1-4

Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity *Book of Common Prayer* page 355

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**
Presider Let us pray.

All **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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gloria in excelsis *The Hymnal 1982* S 280

The Collect of the Day *Book of Common Prayer* page 357

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

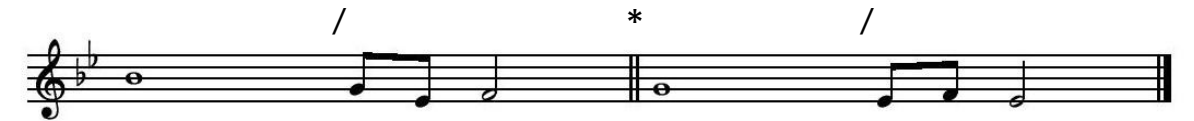
The First Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 103: 8-13



- 8 The LORD is full of compass- / ion and mercy, *
slow to anger and / of great kindness.
- 9 He will not always / accuse us, *
nor will he keep his ang- / er for ever.
- 10 He has not dealt with us according / to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according / to our wickedness.
- 11 For as the heavens are high a- / bove the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon / those who fear him.
- 12 As far as the east is / from the west, *
so far has he removed our / sins from us.
- 13 As a father cares / for his children, *
so does the LORD care for / those who fear him.

The Epistle

Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions.

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 Form IV

Book of Common Prayer page 388

Bidding Lord, in your mercy.
Response Hear our prayer.

Please join us in praying for: Alison Magee, Natasha and Andrew, Jack and Jackie Collier, Charlie and Elaine Steeger, Joan Russell, Michael, Michelle and Kyla, Deb Donnolly, Elinor Keehn, Andrea, Bethany and Alex, and Noah.

The Confession and Absolution

Book of Common Prayer page 360

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

Silence may be kept.

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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Please share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

Announcements

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.
Psalms 96:8

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn Lord, make us servants of your peace *The Hymnal 1982* 593

Eucharistic Prayer A

Book of Common Prayer page 57

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you. Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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” *Sanctus*

The Hymnal 1982 S 129

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.

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all. He 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 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.” Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ. 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: **The Lord's Prayer**

**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

Book of Common Prayer page 364

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem *Agnus Dei*

The Hymnal 1982 S 164

**Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.
 Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
 Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.**

The Presentation and Invitation

All are welcome at the Lord's table.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Please do not intinct (dip) the bread into the wine.

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn

Let us break bread together

LEVAS 152

The Postcommunion Prayer

Book of Common Prayer page 365

Presider Let us pray.

All **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.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

Now thank we all our God

The Hymnal 1982 397

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Prelude & Fugue in B Flat Major*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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**Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
 by Emily Sugg and in memory of Allyne S. Barnes & Paul E. Sugg
 & by Suzanne Hankel and her family and in memory of Gail Ann Hankel.**

We thank our:	10:00AM	5:30PM
Greeter	MaryAnne Carty	Paul Sugg
Readers & Intercessor	Juanita Kingsley, Katherine Trier	Laura Barbieri
Acolytes		
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Meredith Dunn	Emily Sugg
Nursery Attendant		
Altar Guild	Kathy Kelleher	
Coffee Hour	Rhanda Istfan, Elizabeth Mathew	



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Upcoming Offerings at St. John's

- Worship & Music **Morning Prayer**, Wednesdays at 9:00am via Zoom.
Holy Baptism – Sunday, Sep. 24, come celebrate the Baptism of Ben Stone at the 10:00am service.
Holy Baptism – Sunday, Oct. 1, come celebrate the Baptism of James Santoro at the 10:00am service.
Blessing of the Animals – Sunday, Oct. 8, bring your beloved pets to the 10:00am service for a St. Francis Day blessing.
- Formation **Bible Study**, Tuesdays at 7:00pm, in the Conference Room & online.
Church School – Formation for all children and high school students begins today! Please register if you have not already done so.
- Outreach **Ecclesia Ministries Lunches** – Wednesday, Sep. 20, drop-off before 8:30am. Contact Emily Sugg (youth.minister@stjohnswestwood.org) for details.
Epiphany School Supplies – Donation boxes are in the narthex. Check out the requested supply list, and pick up extra supplies when you are next out shopping; thank you for your generosity! Delivery scheduled for Sep. 24.
Westwood Day – Saturday, Sep. 23. We are looking for volunteers and helpers to staff our St. John's tent at Westwood High. Contact Leslie Davie (leslie.davie@gmail.com) if you are interested.
Cradles to Crayons – Saturday, Sep 30, middle school students leave St. John's at 12:15pm & return at 3:30pm. Please contact either Emily Sugg (youth.minister@stjohnswestwood.org), Erin Sibley (erinsibley@msn.com) for details.
Oasis – Monday, Oct. 2 at 3:30pm; meet at St. John's; contact Jane Kaveney (jane.kaveney@gmail.com) for details.
- Ministry Support **Vestry Meeting** – Thursday, Sep. 21 at 7:00pm in the Conference Room.
Deanery Assembly – Sep. 26, at 7:00pm at Emmanuel West Roxbury.

Submit requests for announcements in Sunday's bulletin & the eNews by the preceding Monday at noon.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 17

- 10:00AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II
10:00AM Church School K-4TH
11:15AM Choir Rehearsal
4:45PM High School Class, in the Conference Room
5:30PM Holy Eucharist

Monday, September 18

- 10:00AM Staff Meeting

Tuesday, September 19

- 7:00PM Bible Study, in the Conference Room & via Google Meet

Wednesday, September 20

- 8:30AM Ecclesia Lunch Delivery, in the Narthex
9:00AM Morning Prayer, Rite II, via Zoom
9:30AM Violin Recital
1:00PM Clericus, in the Conference Room

Thursday, September 21

- 7:00PM Vestry Meeting, in the Conference Room

Saturday, September 23

- 9:00AM Westwood Day, Westwood High School

Sunday, September 24

- 10:00AM Holy Baptism & Holy Eucharist, Rite II
10:00AM Church School K-4TH
11:15AM Choir Rehearsal
4:45PM Middle School Class, in the Conference Room
5:30PM Holy Eucharist

Jamie Harper, Senior Warden
Leslie Davie, Junior Warden

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Elizabeth Mathew, Clerk

The Reverend V. Michael Bousquet, Rector
The Venerable Chris A. Beukman, Archdeacon
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