

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

LITURGY OF THE WORD, RITE II

JUNE 28, 2020 10:30 AM

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The mission of St. George's Episcopal Church is to worship God and share our faith through word, action, and service.

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE WITH US. In this difficult and uncertain time, our commitment to one another as the Body of Christ is more important than ever. We are blessed to be able to join together in prayer, even as we are unable to be together in person as we would wish. Our online services are all available from the <u>Online Worship</u> page of our website. We are aware that some people have been experiencing difficulties with the service livestream, particularly with the audio. We are currently working on improving our technological capabilities, but it will take some time. We ask for your grace and patience as we continue to work on these issues.

The Church is now in the long season known as the SEASON AFTER PENTECOST or ORDINARY TIME. Most holidays and seasons of the church year focus on the events of the earthly life of Jesus, but the Season after Pentecost shifts to a focus on how we, following the example of the first disciples, will take what we have learned from Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, into the world and our everyday lives. The term "ordinary" comes from the word "ordinal," which refers to counting, because we number each Sunday of Ordinary Time based on how many Sundays after Pentecost it is. But in some ways, it might be appropriate to think of this time as ordinary in the more common sense – time not marked by a constant stream of high points and low points, but simply the everyday life of the church. May we all take this opportunity to settle into our ordinary lives, being exactly where we are, and finding ways to live our faith in each of those ordinary moments.

GUIDE TO ABBREVIATIONS

H – 1982 Hymnal BCP – Book of Common Prayer

Prière (Theodore Salomé)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



Words: Samuel John Stone (1839-1900). Music: Aurelia, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876).

Officiant	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People	And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.
	Amen.

- Officiant 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.
- People Amen.



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

- Officiant The Lord be with you.
- People And also with you.
- Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

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FIRST READING

Reader A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

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

PSALM 89:1-4, 15-18

Please join in reading the psalm in unison.

- 1 Your love, O LORD, for ever will I sing; * from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; * you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.
- 3 "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; *I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
- 4 'I will establish your line for ever, * and preserve your throne for all generations.'"
- 15 Happy are the people who know the festal shout! * they walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.
- 16 They rejoice daily in your Name; * they are jubilant in your righteousness.
- 17 For you are the glory of their strength, * and by your favor our might is exalted.
- 18 Truly, the LORD is our ruler; * the Holy One of Israel is our King.

SECOND READING

ROMANS 6:12-23

Reader A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

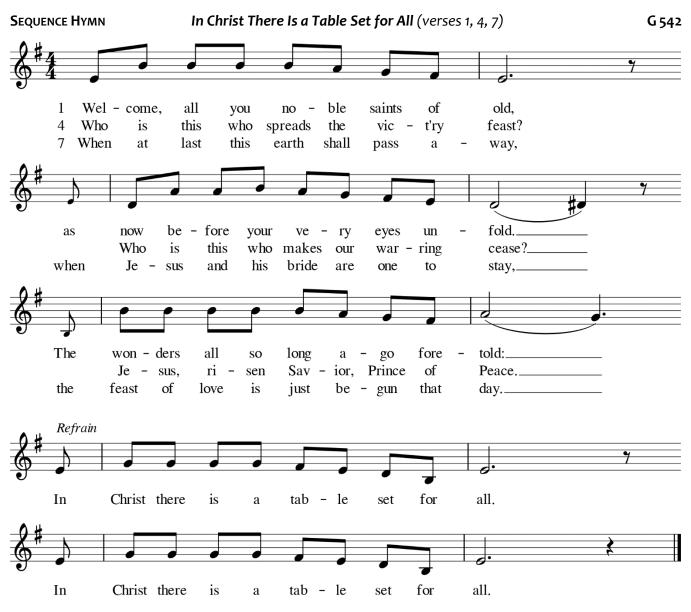
Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you

obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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



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THE HOLY GOSPEL

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple – truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Deacon	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE REV. KEVIN LJ SCHUBERT

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- 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.
 - With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI

Deacon People	For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.
Deacon People	For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
Deacon People	For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.
Deacon People	For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
Deacon People	For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel and all who seek the Truth.
Deacon People	For the United Church of North India, for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kai our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers; For all who serve God in his Church.
Deacon	For Stephen, Norma, Ann, Gladys, Charles, Ralph, Kirk, Donn, Polly, Divesh, Hans, Aaron, Natasha, Tony, Mary, Metis, Martha, Pam, Ben, Colleen, José, Linda, Tom, all those suffering from COVID-19, and for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
	(Silence; the People may add their own petitions)
People	Hear us Lord, For your mercy is great.
Deacon	We thank you, Lord, for Liam, Emma Jane, Eddie, Margaret, and JT, as they celebrate their birthdays; for John & Frances, and Ariane & Mark, as they celebrate their anniversaries; and for all the blessings of this life.
	(Silence; the People may add their own thanksgivings)
People	We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever.
Deacon	We pray for all who have died, especially Yolanda and those who have died from COVID-19, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. (Silence; the People may add their own petitions)
	Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People	Who put their trust in you.
Officiant	O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
People	Amen.

Deacon We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

People Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

OfficiantAlmighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.PeopleAmen.

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THE PEACE

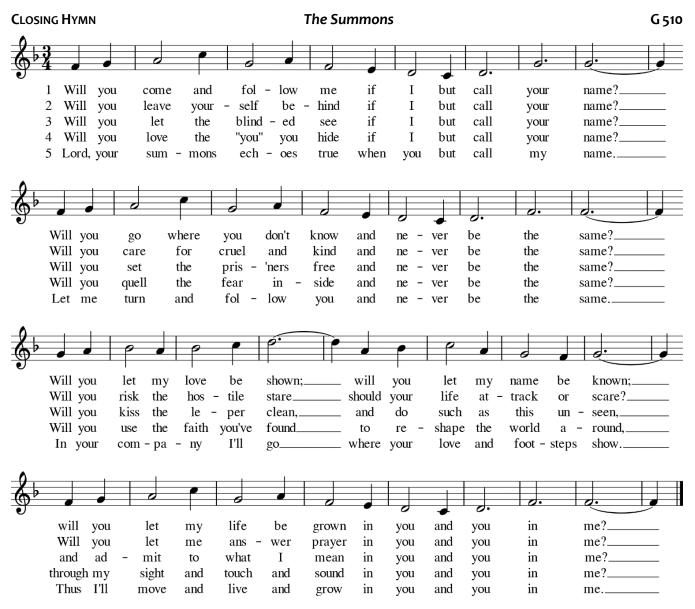
Officiant	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

THE LORD'S PRAYIER

Officiant	And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People	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 BLESSING

- *Officiant* The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.
- People Amen.



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DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude	The Church's One Foundation	MI-YOUNG KIM, ORGAN
	(Samuel Wesley)	

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The altar flowers are given by John and Frances Rickard, in thankgiving for 40 years of marriage. The altar candles are given by Herb and Sandra, in memory of their fathers, Rudolph Villalaz and Homer Dickson. After the service, regardless of which method of accessing the service you have been using, you are invited to join the <u>Zoom link</u> (password: Christ), for a brief time of fellowship with other St. George's parishioners.



PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

For those who are sick or facing medical issues, especially:

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Stephen Blood	Divesh Manohar	Ben Sears
Norma Carrera	Hans Mueller	Colleen Stark
Ann Casstevens	Aaron Neighbors	José Trejo Tirado
Gladys Dykes	Natasha Padron	Linda Wallace
Charles Foster	Tony Padron	Tom Wooten
Ralph Hausser	Mary Parker	All those suffering
Kirk Hoffman	Metis Policano	from COVID-19
Donn Hopkins	Martha Sahs	
Polly Littrell	Pam Schubert	
For those who have died and their famil	ies, especially:	
Yolanda Maloney	All those who have died from COVID-19)
For those facing difficult circumstances		
For those serving in the armed forces an	d their families, especially:	
Zach Mertz	Maddison Worcester	
Those who celebrate birthdays, especial	ly:	
Liam Dolan-Henderson (Jun 30)	Margaret Tipps (Jul 2)	
Emma Jane Braun (Jul 2)	JT Kerrigan (Jul 3)	
Eddie Terrazas (Jul 2)		
Those who celebrate anniversaries, espe	cially:	
John & Frances Rickard (Jun 28)	Ariane & Mark Corcoran (Jul 3)	
In the Anglican cycle of prayer:	In the Diocese of Texas cy	cle of prayer:
United Church of North India,	St. Cyprian's, Lufkin	
The Most Revd Dr. Prem Chand Sing	gh, St. Francis', Tyler	
Moderator	St. John's, Carthage	

Names can be added to this list by emailing Jennifer at <u>stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com</u>.

THE BANNER – June 28, 2020

- VIRTUAL "COFFEE HOUR" Immediately after the service each Sunday, you are invited to use the service's <u>Zoom link</u> (password: Christ) to share a brief time of fellowship with other parishioners. Join us for this virtual "coffee hour" with or without coffee!
- LIVESTREAM DIFFICULTIES We are aware that some people have been experiencing difficulties with the service livestream, particularly with the audio. We are currently working on improving our technological capabilities, but it will take some time. We ask for your grace and patience as we continue to work on these issues.
- JUST MERCY In response to the recent death of George Floyd, subsequent protests, and current anti-racism conversations, Warner Brothers has made its 2019 film Just Mercy available to rent for free on multiple platforms for the entire month of June. Based on a gripping true story and on the book by the same name, the film focuses on the work of civil rights attorney Bryan Stevenson (played by Michael B. Jordan) and his fight to overturn the wrongful conviction of Walter McMillan (played by Jamie Foxx). The studio is offering it as a resource to help educate people about the dangers of systemic racism. Watch it for free this month on a variety of platforms, including Netflix, Amazon Prime Video, Apple TV, Google Play, and YouTube.
- GIVING TO ST. GEORGE'S We are grateful for your financial support as we navigate new ways to stay connected in these challenging times. Your gifts enable us to use modern technology to connect to each other, as well as to continue to pay our ongoing expenses, including salaries. If you have been giving to St. George's by putting a check or cash in the plate on Sundays, please consider giving online by clicking the DONATE button on the Stewardship page of the church's website: www.sgchurch.org/stewardship. You can set up regular weekly or monthly donation using a credit card or a bank account. Thank you for your generosity.

FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon, June 29	The Apostles Saint Peter and Saint Paul
Wed, July 1	Pauli Murray, Priest, 1985
Thu, July 2	Moses the Black, Monastic and Martyr, c.400
Sat, July 4	Independence Day

THOSE WHO SERVE

Officiant/Preacher – The Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert Deacon – The Rev. Jim Enelow Reader – Raul Carrera Organist/Pianist – Mi-Young Kim Singers – Elaine Hosage, Jan Phillips Flower Guild – Sandra Villalaz

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