

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE FEAST OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN MORNING PRAYER RITE II

AUGUST 15, 2021 10:30 AM

The Rev. Ann McLemore, Interim Rector

Ms. Mi-Young Kim, Music Director

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. Due to Austin's rising COVID numbers, we are once again worshiping together online and not in-person. Our online services are available on the **Online Worship** page of our website.

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

G – Gather Hymnal

BCP – Book of Common Prayer

OPENING AND WELCOME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SENTENCE

Officiant Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling. (Psalm 43:3)



Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969), alt. Music: Cwm Rhondda, John Hughes (1873-1932).

CONFESSION OF SIN BCP 79

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

People 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;

and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.

that we may delight in your will,

Amen.

Officiant Almighty 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.

People Amen.

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

> Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

Amen, Alleluia

INVITATORY PSALM

Please join in reading the invitatory psalm. The antiphon is repeated at the beginning and end.

Antiphon The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

Venite Come, let us sing to the Lord; * Psalm 95:1-7

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Antiphon The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

PSALM 34:1-9

BENEDICAM DOMINUM

Please join in reading the psalm in unison.

- 1 I will bless the LORD at all times; *
 his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory in the LORD; * let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; * let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me * and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, * and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me * and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, * and he will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; * happy are they who trust in him!
- 9 Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, * for those who fear him lack nothing.

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING ISAIAH 61:10-11

Reader A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,

my whole being shall exult in my God;

for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,

and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its shoots,

and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,

so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

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

FIRST SONG OF ISAIAH

ISAIAH 12:2-6

Please join in reading the canticle.

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, * and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing * from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; * see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, * and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, * for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

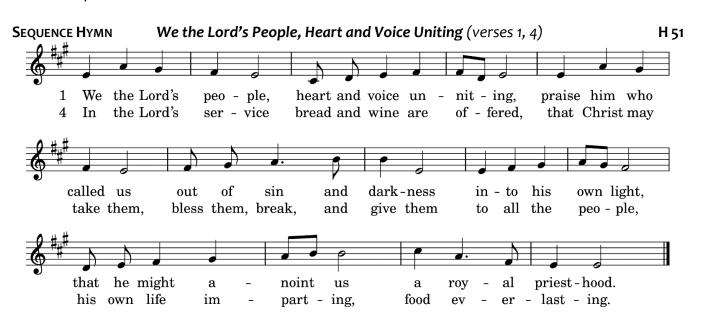
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Reading Galatians 4:4-7

Reader A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians.

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

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



Words: John E. Bowers (b. 1923), alt.

Music: Decatur Place, Richard Wayne Dirksen (b. 1921).

THIRD READING LUKE 1:46-55

Reader A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;

for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly;

he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.

He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,

according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

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

THE SERMON

THE REV. SUSAN DOLAN-HENDERSON

THE APOSTLES' CREED BCP 96

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 OFFERTORTY

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Officiant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Thank you for your generosity. Offerings can be given online at the St. George's Donation page.

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

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.

Suffrages A BCP 97

Officiant Show us your mercy, O Lord; People And grant us your salvation.

Officiant Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People Let your people sing with joy.

Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; People For only in you can we live in safety.

Officiant Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Officiant Let your way be known upon earth;
People Your saving health among all nations.

Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten; People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY BCP 243

Officiant O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate

Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with

you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

-Collect for Sundays BCP 98

Officiant O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of

your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the

week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

COLLECT FOR RENEWAL OF LIFE BCP 99

Officiant O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the

shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give

you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

COLLECT FOR MISSION BCP 100

Officiant O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed

Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through

Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

A BLESSING FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Eternal God, bless all schools, colleges, and universities that they may be lively centers for sound learning, new discovery, and the pursuit of wisdom; and grant that those

who teach and those who learn may find you to be the source of all truth. We lift up to you all those who will be part of a school community this year – students, teachers, counselors, librarians, administrators, staff, bus drivers, and school board members.

Not long ago, we had high hopes that this school year would bring a return to normal, but instead, it begins with renewed concerns for the health and well-being of all involved. Help all the children and adults who return to school this week continue to care for their own and each other's health. Be with those who make decisions about how to best safeguard the safety of teachers, staff, and children; guide them as they weigh competing interests and make difficult decisions.

Bless, we pray, O Father, the children, youth, and adults of this community, returning to their schools and colleges. May the Holy Spirit enlighten their minds, purify their vision, and strengthen their wills; that being taught of you they may learn to follow in the steps of him who grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and humanity.

All of this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

Officiant

We pray for our community and the world, and for all who have requested our prayers.

Be present with your church. We pray for all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kai, our bishops, and Ann our interim rector. We pray for our lay leadership, especially our vestry: Josh, Rob, Mark, Ed, Dale, Brad, Hye Na, Belinda, and Samantha. We pray also for St. George's Episcopal School, and for all who work and learn there.

Be present with all who govern in this and every land, especially Joe, our President, and Greg, our Governor, and the leaders of all the nations of the earth.

Be present with all those experiencing illness, need, sorrow, or any other adversity, especially Chase, Linda, Ellie, Gladys, Sue, Charles, Ralph, Kirk, Terrie, Betty, Polly, Divesh, George, Mary, Brad, Ben, Jayson, Lisa, Rochelle, Jon, Travis, the Henry family, the Mayer/Anderson families, Bill, Donna, the Stulsas family, Bonnie, and those suffering from COVID-19.

Be present with all who celebrate another year of life, especially Eric, Ronn, Royce, Max, and Alma; and another year of marriage, especially Ronn and Sue.

We pray for all who have died, especially John, and we thank you for the lives of all your saints.

I invite you to add your own prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings.

(Silence)

Grant these our prayers, O God, in the name of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ.

People Amen.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING BCP 101

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

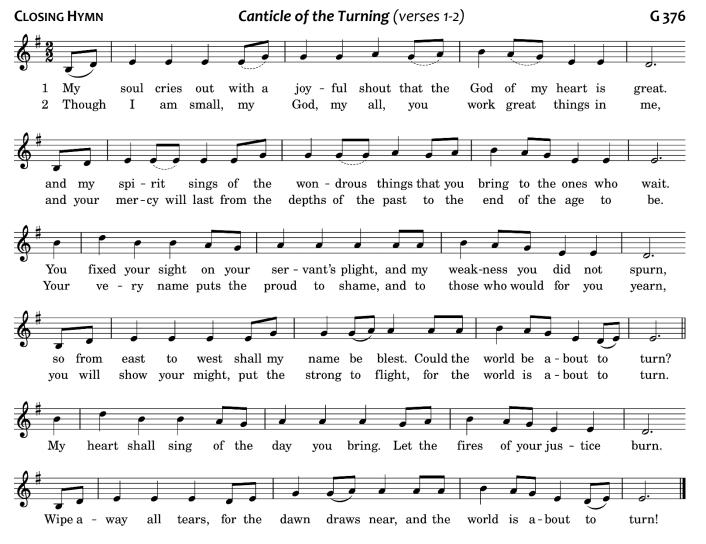
BCP 102

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting.

Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. People Thanks be to God.



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THE BLESSING

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy

Spirit, be with us all evermore. (2 Corinthians 13:14)

People Amen.

POSTLUDE Postlude in E-flat MI-YOUNG KIM, PIANO (Herbert Sanders)

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The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the people of St. George's.

The altar candles are given by James and Gayle, in thanksgiving for Carole, Loretta, Ronn, and Sue's birthdays; and for Ronn and Sue's anniversary

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

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

Chase AndersonKirk HoffmanBrad SchwarzLinda BibleTerrie HosterBen SearsEllie ChangBetty JacobsonJayson StulsasGladys DykesPolly LittrellLisa Treviño

Sue Flanagan Divesh Manohar Rochelle & Jon Winkle

Charles Foster George Neher Travis

Ralph Hausser Mary Parker Those suffering from COVID-19

For those who have died and their families, especially

John Price

Those who have died from COVID-19

For those facing difficult circumstances, especially:

The Henry Family The Stulsas Family

The Mayer/Anderson Families Bonnie Wood

Bill & Donna Schwarz

For those serving in the armed forces and their families, especially:

Andrew Hutton

For those who celebrate birthdays, especially:

Eric Bandholz (Aug 15) Max McAlister (Aug 19) Ronn Worcester (Aug 17) Alma Vera (Aug 19)

Royce Blech (Aug 19)

For those who celebrate anniversaries, especially:

Ronn & Sue Worcester (Aug 18)

In the Anglican cycle of prayer: In the Diocese of Texas cycle of prayer:

The Anglican Church of Southern Africa Christ the King (Atascocita), Humble

Good Shepherd, Kingwood Good Shepherd, Tomball

Names newly added to the list of prayer requests are in bold.

Names can be added to this list by emailing Jennifer at steporgeaustin@gmail.com.

THE SUNDAY BANNER - August 15, 2021

- VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR Immediately after the service each Sunday, you are invited to join our Zoom Coffee Hour (passcode: Christ) to share a brief time of fellowship with other parishioners.
- ONLINE WORSHIP As local COVID cases increase, and Austin once again enters Stage 5, the vestry has made the decision to return worshiping solely online. We regret this necessity, but for everyone's safety, we are choosing to follow Austin Public Health's guidelines requesting that people not gather indoors except when strictly necessary. We intend to return to in-person worship when Austin is in Stage 3. Our worship services will be accessible via both Zoom and Facebook Live and can be accessed at the Online Worship page of our website.
- FAREWELL TO MI-YOUNG After a little over two years with us, our Music Minister, Mi-Young Kim, will be leaving St. George's at the end of August, to further pursue her music studies in California. She has been a blessing to our music program and choir, and we will miss her! Please join us at our Zoom Coffee Hour on Sunday, August 29th, her final Sunday with us, to say goodbye and wish her well in her next endeavors.
- ❖ OUTREACH UPDATE We have been planning for an in-person Outreach meeting in August. Unfortunately, due to rising COVID numbers, we no longer feel that holding such a meeting is wise. We hope to be able to do so soon, so please watch for more information as our plans evolve. In the meantime, our ongoing initiatives continue, and we appreciate all the work that so many parishioners have put in to keep our parish programs running! For more information about our Outreach work, please contact Alice Nelson (mzlsnlsn@gmail.com) or Sarah Campbell (cowmarket2@gmail.com).
- ❖ OUTREACH MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH Our Outreach Ministry Highlight for the month of August is St. George's Episcopal School. St. George's Episcopal School, an outreach ministry of St. George's Church, strives to provide a well-rounded program for the children of the church and its surrounding diverse community. Our programs help each child grow and develop spiritually, cognitively, physically, emotionally, and socially, all within a Christian atmosphere. We believe each child is a gift of God, a unique person valued for his/her own worth, growing and learning independently. For more information about the school, visit their website at www.stgeorges-austin.com.
- INTERIM RECTOR'S EMAIL ADDRESS Ann has had some difficulty accessing the rector's email address that was created for her when she started at St. George's, so going forward, please use her personal email address, mclemore.a@gmail.com, for all email communication with her. She also welcomes phone calls at 769-257-2377.
- ❖ PARKING REMINDER Please leave the three parking spots next to the Wright House for visitors. Those spots are marked as being reserved for newcomers, and we'd like to make sure that they are available for people who may not be as familiar with our campus!
- ❖ OFFICE OPEN The church office in the Wright House is open Monday to Thursday, from 9:30 to 2:30. Jennifer is back from her vacation and will once again be in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays and working from home Mondays and Wednesdays; she can be reached at stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com. Ann is in the office Monday through Thursday and can be reached at mclemore.a@gmail.com and at 769-257-2377.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMON LIFE

PRAYER IN TIMES OF TRANSITION

THE REV. CANON KRISTI PHILIP

Ever-present God. You call us on a journey to a place we do not know. We are not where we started. We have not reached our destination. We are not sure where we are or who we are. This is not a comfortable place. Be among us, we pray. Calm our fears, save us from discouragement. And help us to stay on course. Open our hearts to your guidance so that our journey to this Unknown place continues as a journey of trust. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE HUMAN FAMILY

BCP 815

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. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK BCP 260

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, August 16

Tuesday, August 17 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, August 18

Thursday, August 19

Friday, August 20 Bernard of Clairvaux, Monastic and Theologian, 1153

Saturday, August 21

Sunday, August 22 10:30 am Holy Eucharist

11:30 am Coffee Hour

THOSE WHO SERVE

Officiant/Preacher – The Rev. Susan Dolan-Henderson

Vestry Person of the Day – Mark Casstevens

Flower Guild – Jan Phillips

Streaming Technicians – Liam Dolan-Henderson, Lydia Fortuna

Lector – Jan Phillips

Singer – Jan Phillips

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