# **Church of the Good Samaritan**



## Inclusive + Traditional + Progressive

September 29, 2024 The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.

**Welcome!** In our parish, you'll find a faith community that's hospitable and open, where all are welcome regardless of age, religious background, ethnicity, marital status, social or economic status, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, or political leanings. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome at God's table.

## The Gathering

#### Prelude

*Symphonie gothique*, Op. 70 II. Andante sostenuto

#### **Processional Hymn**

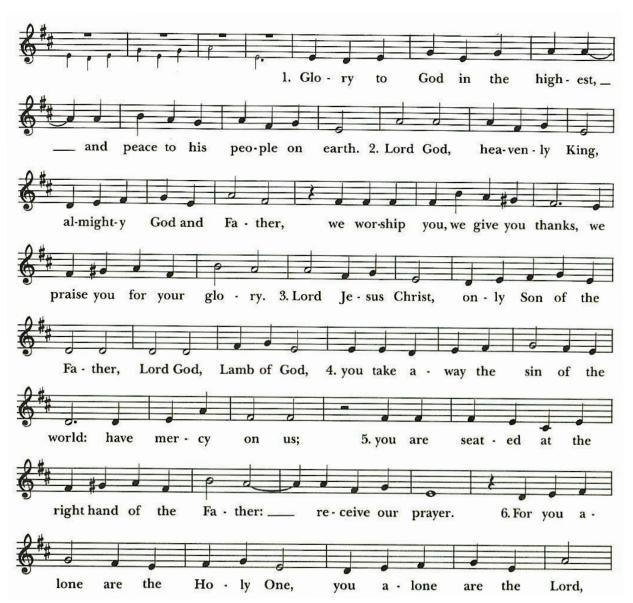
**#546** "Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve"

Celebrant	Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People	Glory to God for ever and ever.

#### **Collect for Purity**

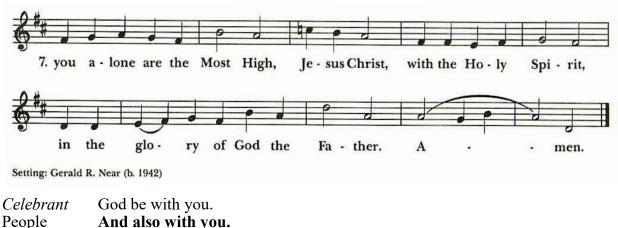
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Gloria



Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

Siroë



*Celebrant* Let us pray.

#### The Collect of the Day

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

### The Service of the Word

#### The First Lesson: Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

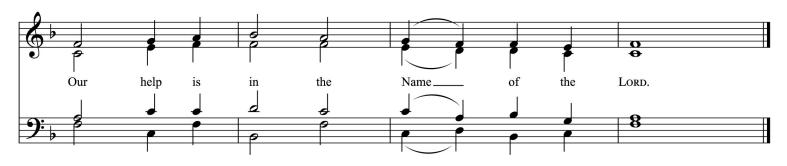
The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me-- that is my petition-- and the lives of my people-- that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?" Esther said, "A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, "Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high." And the king said, "Hang him on that." So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated.

Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

- *Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
- People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 124 *Nisi quia Dominus* 



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- 1 If the LORD had not been on our side, \* let Israel now say;
- 2 If the LORD had not been on our side, \* when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive \* in their fierce anger toward us; *Antiphon*
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us \* and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters \* have gone right over us. *Antiphon*
- 6 Blessed be the LORD! \*

he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.

- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; \*
- the snare is broken, and we have escaped. 8 Our help is in the Name of the LORD, \*
  - the maker of heaven and earth. Antiphon

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. *Antiphon* 

#### The Second Lesson: James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

#### **Sequence Hymn**

**#635** "If thou but trust in God to guide thee"

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Holy Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

"For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

<i>Celebrant</i> People	The Gospel of the Lord. <b>Praise to you, Lord Christ</b> .	
Sermon	The Rev. David Marshall	
The Nicene Creed (All Stand)		

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, 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

Leader:	: Our prayers will include the thanksgivings and intercessions you wrote on our prayer l you came into the church today. Please add your own prayers silently or aloud when ir	
	Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.	
Silence		
Leader: People:	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.	
Leader:	Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.	
Silence		
Leader: People:	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.	
Leader:	Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.	
Silence		
Leader: People:	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.	
Leader:	Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.	
Silence		
Leader: People:	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.	
Leader:	Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We offer prayers of healing, help, and hope for:	
	And for these others we now name, silently or aloud.	
Please add y	our own prayers.	

Leader: Lord, in your mercy People: **Hear our prayer.**  Leader: We give you thanks for birthdays, anniversaries, and all the blessings of this life, especially for:

And for these others we now name, silently or aloud.

Please add your own prayers.

Leader:	Lord, in your mercy
People:	Hear our prayer.

Leader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom, remembering today:

And for these others we now name, silently or aloud.

Please add your own prayers.

Leader:	Lord, in your mercy
People:	Hear our prayer.

*Celebrant:* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### Confession

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

Silence

Minister and People say together God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, That we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

*Celebrant* 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. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

#### **Blessings, Thanksgivings and Announcements**

## **The Holy Communion**

We receive the sacramental bread and wine from both plate and chalice. We encourage receiving from the common cup. If you prefer Intinction, the Eucharistic Minister will do so on your behalf and return the bread to your hand for you to consume. Reception of the bread alone constitutes full communion. You may also choose to receive a prayer and blessing in place of communion. (Gluten Free bread available upon request.)

#### Offertory

O Lord my God

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

O Lord my God, Hear thou the prayer thy servant prayeth, Have thou respect unto his prayer? Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, And when thou hearest Lord, forgive. - Prayer of King Solomon; based on 1 Kings 8.

At the Presentation (Please stand and sing)

#### 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. Amen.

#### The Great Thanksgiving

L	Celebrant	People
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	The Lord be with you.	And al- so with you.
h	Celebrant Pa	eople
	Lift up your hearts. We	e lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant		
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.		
_ <b>b</b>	People	

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

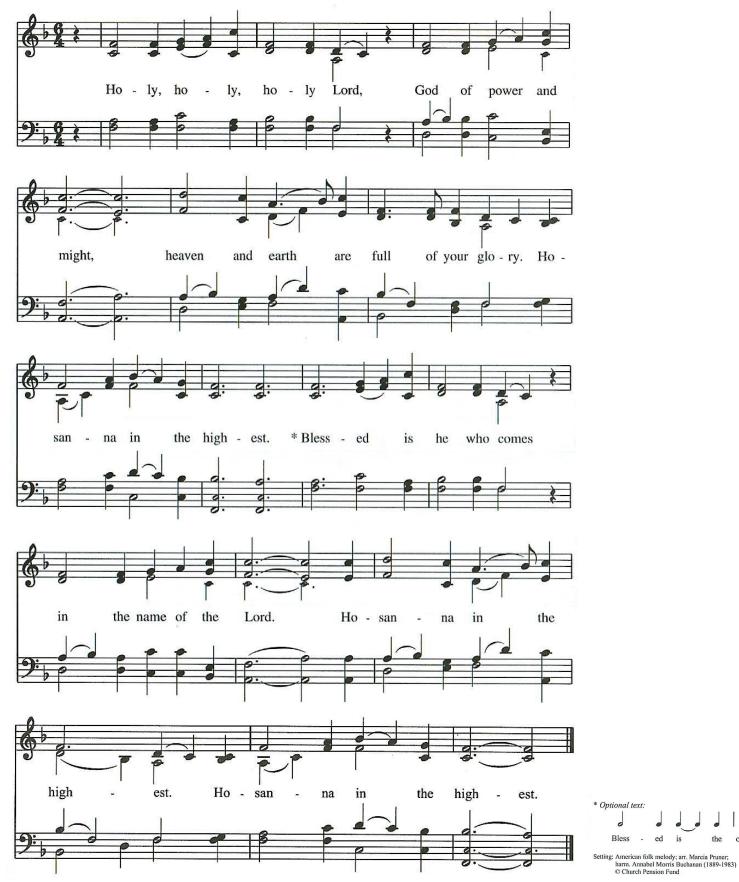
*Celebrant:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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.

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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:

#### Sanctus



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#### (Stand or kneel)

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,

Celebrant and People: We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

#### Celebrant continues:

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, bring all things to subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with 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 forever.



Setting: Henri Dumont (1610-1684); adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

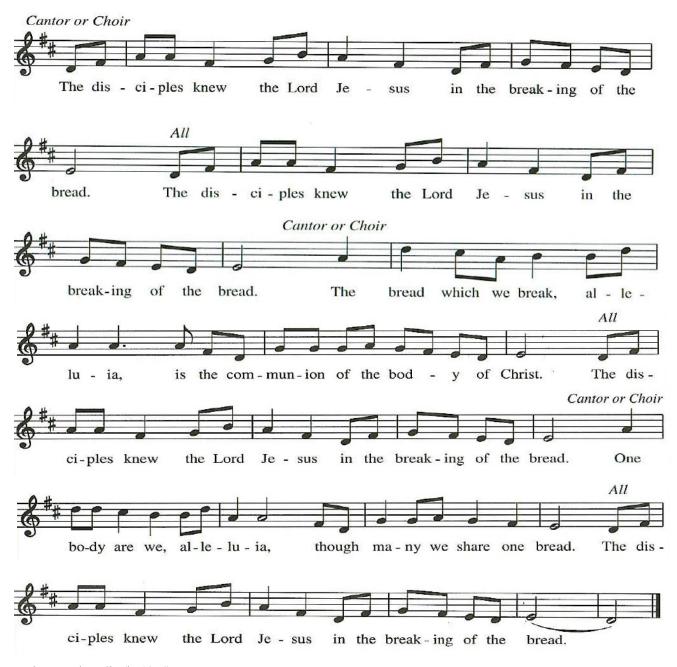
#### The Lord's Prayer

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

#### Fraction Anthem: The disciples knew the Lord Jesus



Setting: Mark Sedio (b. 1954) © 1996 Mark Sedio All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

#### Celebrant

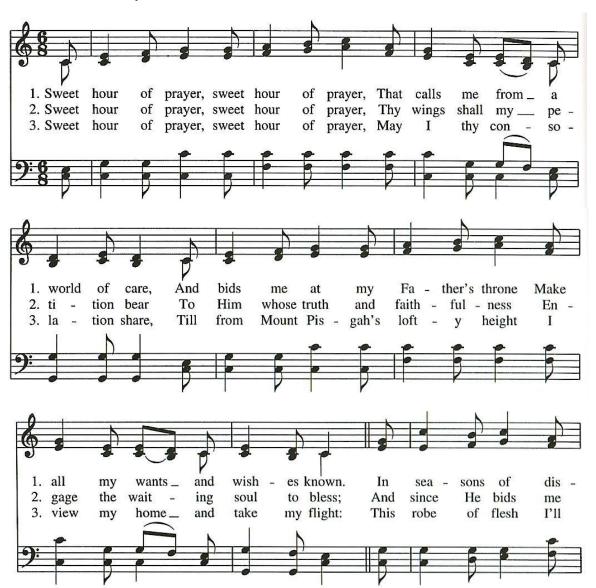
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Behold what you are. Become what you receive.

#### **Holy Communion**

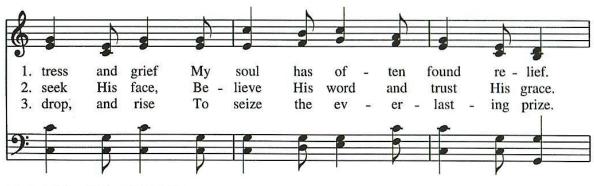
*From the Sanctuary Choir:* God Be in My Head

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in my eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be at my end, and at my departing. - from *Sarum Primer*, 1514

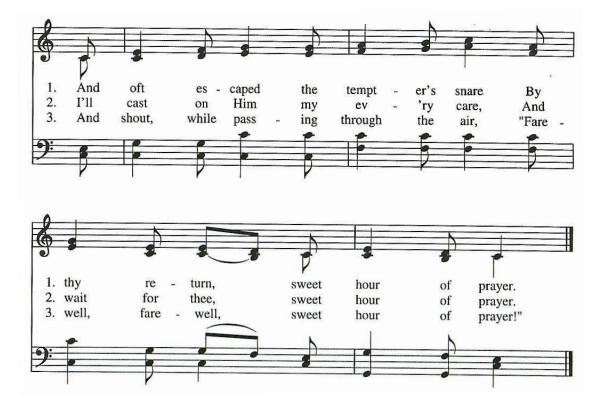
*Communion Hymn, All Sing* Sweet Hour of Prayer



John Rutter (b. 1945)



Words: William Walford (1772-1850) Music: William B. Bradbury (1816-1868)



*After Communion, the Celebrant says:* Let us pray.

#### The Celebrant and people say together:

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### The Blessing

The Priest will give a blessing.

#### **Recessional Hymn**

#609 "Where cross the crowded ways of life"

Gardiner

#### The Dismissal

CelebrantLet us go forth in the name of Christ.PeopleThanks be to God.

#### Postlude

Symphonie gothique, Op. 70 III. Allegro

Ch.-M. Widor

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