



**ST. DAVID'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
Liturgy of the Word  
September 20, 2020  
9:00 a.m.

**Celebrant** The Rev. Cameron Spoor, Curate  
**Preacher** The Rev. Katie Wright, Associate Rector  
**Music** Dr. David Stevens, Director of Music  
Eric Mellenbruch, Associate Director of Music + organist  
Joan Ely Carlson, violin

☼ The flowers on the High Altar are given in thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren by John and Dolly Barclay and in loving remembrance of my sister, Sarah Nelson Crawford, by Jane Nelson. ☼

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## WELCOME TO ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

We are so glad you are worshiping with us today. Even though we are in a new phase of church life, we are committed to offering a meaningful Sunday worship experience for all who tune in to our virtual services (Liturgy of the Word at 9 a.m. and Compline at 8 p.m. on Sundays). Formation for children, youth, and adults is offered after the morning service beginning at 10A. You can find links to the children and youth formation at [www.stdave.org](http://www.stdave.org), and adults can register at [The Abbey at St. David's](#).

We miss seeing you in person and long for the day when we can be back together. Until then, we hold you in our hearts, and hope you enjoy the service.

## NEW TO ST. DAVID'S?

If you are new to St. David's, we especially welcome you! If you want more information about the church, please complete the guest card on the [Newcomers](#) page of our website. Amy Moehnke, our Director of Newcomer and Young Adult Ministries, will get back to you very soon!

## PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have prayer requests, you can add a comment on Facebook during the service or send them to [prayers@stdave.org](mailto:prayers@stdave.org).

## STAY CONNECTED

Please connect with us to receive updates on events and church announcements.

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Our online worship service is produced by the St. David's staff:

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# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRELUDE: St. David's Favorite Hymn #6

arr. Eric Mellenbruch

## WELCOME

## HYMN 408

☒ Sing praise to God who reigns above

*Mit Freuden zart*



1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -  
 2 What God's al-might - y power hath made, his gra - cious mer - cy  
 3 Let all who name Christ's ho - ly Name give God all praise and



a - tion, the God of power, the God of love, the God of  
 keep-eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade his watch - ful  
 glo - ry; let all who know his power pro - claim a - loud the



our sal - va - tion; with heal - ing balm my soul he fills, and  
 eye ne'er sleep-eth. With - in the king - dom of his might, lo!  
 won - drous sto - ry! Cast each false i - dol from its throne, the



ev - ery faith - less mur - mur stills: to God all praise and glo - ry.  
 All is just and all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry.  
 Lord is God, and he a - lone: to God all praise and glo - ry.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

☒ **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins to God.

☒ **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.**

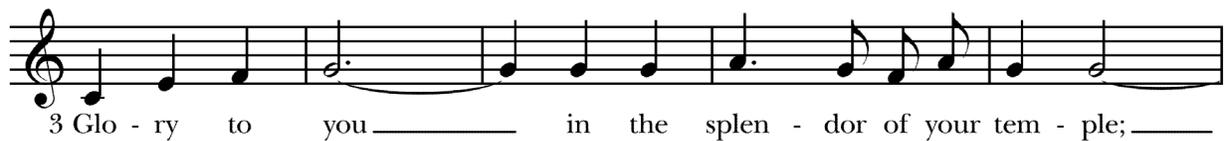
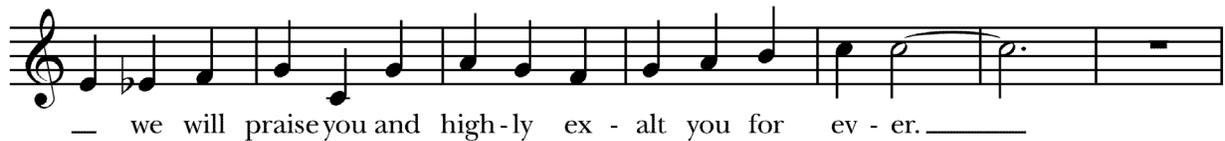
### ABSOLUTION

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

☒ **Amen.**

### ☒ SONG OF PRAISE

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4 Glo - ry to you, seat - ed be - tween the Che - ru - bim; —

— we will praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. —

5 Glo - ry to you, — be - hold - ing the depths; — in the

high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to you. — 6 Glo - ry to

you, — Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; — we will

praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. —

The Lord be with you.

✠ **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

### COLLECT FOR PROPER 20

BCP, P. 234

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ✠ **Amen.**

*(Please be seated.)*

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Jonah 3:10—4:11

John Burnett

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jonah.

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, “O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” And the LORD said, “Is it right for you to be angry?” Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” Then the LORD said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

The Word of the Lord.

✘ **Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSE

Joan Ely Carlson  
BCP, P. 801

Psalm 145:1-8 *(Please read responsively by whole verse.)*

1 I will exalt you, O God my King, \*  
and bless your Name for ever and ever.

✘ **2 Every day will I bless you \*  
and praise your Name for ever and ever.**

3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; \*  
there is no end to his greatness.

✘ **4 One generation shall praise your works to another \*  
and shall declare your power.**

5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty \*  
and all your marvelous works.

✘ **6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, \*  
and I will tell of your greatness.**

7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; \*  
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

✘ **8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.**

**EPISTLE:** Philippians 1:21-30

Elizabeth Schuster

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

The Word of the Lord.

✘ **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN 9** (*Please stand and sing.*)

✘ **Not here for high and holy things (Stanzas 4-6)**

*Morning song*



4 A - wake, a - wake to — love and work! The lark is in the sky,  
5 Come, let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shout of praise;  
6 to give and give, and give a - gain, what God hath giv - en thee;



the fields are wet with dia - mond dew, the worlds a - wake to cry  
see how the gi - ant sun soars up, great lord of years and days!  
to spend thy - self nor count the cost; to serveright glo - rious - ly



their bless - ings on the Lord of — life, as he goes meek - ly by.  
So let the love of Je - sus come and set thy soul a - blaze,  
the God who gave all worlds that are, and all that are to be.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said, “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

✠ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON:** The Rev. Katie Wright, Associate Rector

✠ 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.

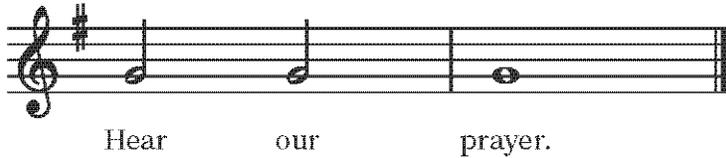
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.

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.

(Please sing the following response after the Cantor sings "Lord, in your mercy.")

**Refrain**

Mark Wischkaemper



*Intercessor*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

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.*

Grant grace and peace to all clergy, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, and Hector, our Bishops; and Alinafe, Bishop of Southern Malawi; that they may continue in the way of love. *Silence.*

**♪ Refrain**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace, especially those in positions of leadership, Donald our President, Greg our Governor, and Steve our Mayor; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Silence.*

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.*

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.*

**♪ Refrain**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those for whom prayers have been requested through St. David's, those who are suffering from Covid-19, those who are caring for all the ill, and those providing supplies to the caregivers; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *Silence.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled, especially Jim, Phil, John, Roy, Melissa, and those who have died from Covid-19; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence.*

**♪ Refrain**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People are invited to offer their own intercessions.*

*Celebrant*

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ✠ **Amen.**

## OFFERTORY

**ANTHEM:** The Lord is my shepherd

Maurice Greene

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

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 364

✠ **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.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Our St. David's favorite hymns countdown continues as the prelude through Sun, October 25.
- Are you ready to take the Discipleship Challenge? We have a month of activities designed to help each of us develop into disciples of Jesus. This will start on September 27 and run through October 24, and includes an opportunity to share about our experiences at Harvest Sunday. For more information and to register for the Discipleship Challenge, visit our web site.
- The Virtual Men's Retreat is being rescheduled.
- The Virtual Women's Retreat is taking place on October 9 and 10. You can find information and register on the web site.
- We are looking for volunteers to help with commonly asked technical questions about our online worship and formation tools (Zoom, Facebook, Internet browsers, etc.). If you would like to help other parishioners stay connected to St. David's please email [techsupport@stdave.org](mailto:techsupport@stdave.org)
- More upcoming events are listed on the next page and on our web site – [www.stdave.org](http://www.stdave.org)

## BLESSING

May the love that is creating us, and the love that is healing us, and the love that is sustaining us be in you and with you and through you, for your healing and the healing of the world. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you forever. ✠ **Amen.**

**POSTLUDE:** Gigue from Sonata in D minor

Arcangelo Corelli

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

We are most grateful for your financial support as we navigate new ways to connect to each other in these challenging times. Your gifts directly enable us to use modern technology to stay connected to each other and the world. St. David's depends on the ongoing support and care of committed members of our congregation like you.

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- Checks

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If you experience a delay or connection issue during peak times on Sunday, please try giving at a later time or consider setting up a recurring donation through your bank. We apologize for this inconvenience.

- Text STDAVE to 73256.

- If you are not already giving, please consider making St. David's your giving priority this year.

Thank you for your generosity to God and St. David's Episcopal Church.

## ATTEND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

After this service, there will be formation for children, youth, and adults. Children and youth will find the link to register at [www.stdave.org](http://www.stdave.org), and adults can register at [The Abbey at St. David's](#).

Today, children have chapel from 10-10:15A, and then children's formation begins at 10:15 a.m..

Youth meet with Jenny Campbell, our Director of Youth Ministry, via Zoom, beginning at 10 a.m.

For the adults, the virtual Sunday Bible Study from today through November 22 is "Exploring the Prophets" (skipped Oct 25 & Nov 1). Today, join the Rev. Cameron Spoor for a discussion of the Prophet Hosea. Adults may also attend Men's Bible Study, The Middle Place, or Wisdom Ways. All begin at 10 a.m. and can be accessed from the web site and through The Abbey.

## UPCOMING EVENTS (All events happen virtually)

- High School EYC happens on Tues at 6 p.m., and Middle School EYC on Wed at 5:30 p.m.
- On Wed evening, you can join Evening Prayer at 5:30 p.m. and Bible study at 6:30 p.m.
- And, don't forget - Café Divine and Holy Grounds Curbside To-Go – Tues-Fri, place your order 4 a.m.-1 p.m., and pick up 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

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