

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Liturgy of the Word July 26, 2020 9:00 a.m.

Celebrant The Rev. Chad McCall, Associate Priest

Preacher The Rev. Katie Wright, Associate Rector

Music Mark Wischkaemper, Director of Music, Bethell Hall

Eric Mellenbruch, Associate Director of Music + organist

Susan Meitz, soprano

⊕ The flowers on the High Altar are given in memory of Shirley Rose by Mary Rose. ⊕

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 at <u>The Abbey at St. David's</u>.

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 <u>Newcomers</u> 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 <u>prayers@stdave.org</u>.

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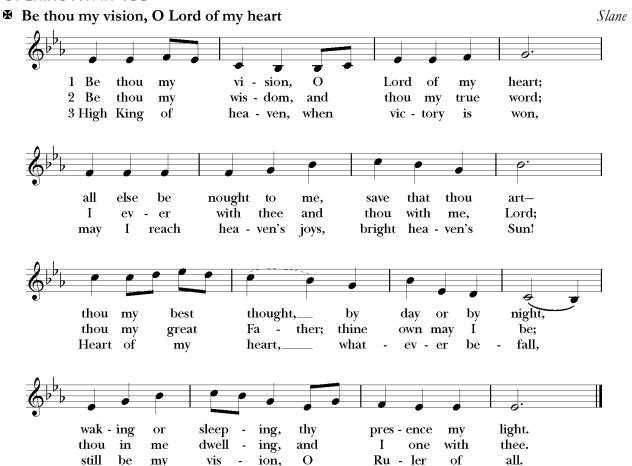
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PRELUDE: Toccata in G

Dieterich Buxtehude

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN 488



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

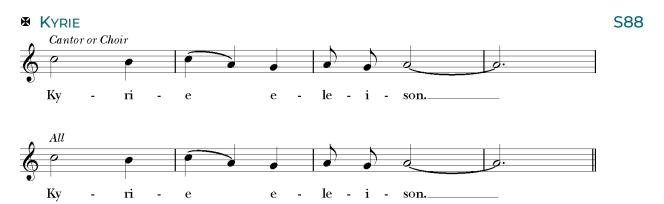
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

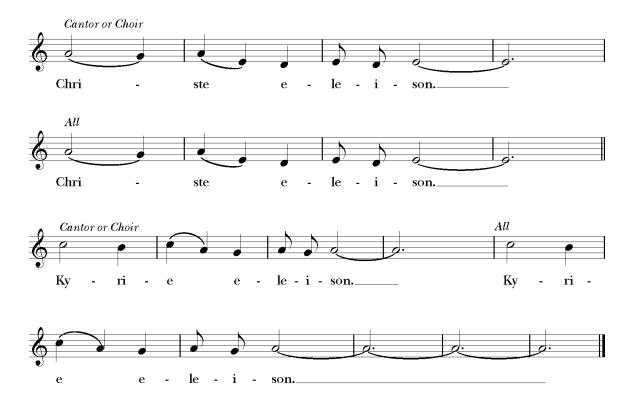
Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son 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.

ABSOLUTION

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 Lord be with you.

₩ And also with you.

Let us pray.

COLLECT FOR PROPER 12

BCP, p. 231

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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: 1 Kings 3:5-12

Brian Lofgren

A Reading from the First Book of the Kings.

At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

The Word of the Lord.

▼ Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE
Psalm 119:129-136 (Please read responsively by whole verse.)

Susan Meitz
BCP, p. 774

Psalm 119:129-136 (Please read responsively by whole verse.) 129 Your decrees are wonderful; *

therefore I obey them with all my heart.

- ★ 130 When your word goes forth it gives light; *
 it gives understanding to the simple.
 - 131 I open my mouth and pant; *
 I long for your commandments.
- 132 Turn to me in mercy, *

as you always do to those who love your Name.

- 133 Steady my footsteps in your word; * let no iniquity have dominion over me.
- ★ 134 Rescue me from those who oppress me, * and I will keep your commandments.
 - 135 Let your countenance shine upon your servant * and teach me your statutes.
- 136 My eyes shed streams of tears, *
 because people do not keep your law.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

EPISTLE: Romans 8:26-39

Stacey McCann

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

▼ Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 711 (Please stand and sing.)

■ Seek ye first the Kingdom of God

Seek ye first



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

■ Glory to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

The Rev. Chad McCall

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

- "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.
- "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.
- "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.
- "Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

The Gospel of the Lord.

▶ Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON: The Rev. Katie Wright, Associate Rector

BCP, p. 358

₩ 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 Rev. Chad McCall

Refrain (Please sing the Refrain after the Cantor and at appointed times.)

Mark Wischkaemper



The Intercessor continues

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; that we all may be one. Silence.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; that your Name may be glorified by all people. *Silence*.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, and Hector, our Bishops; and Alinafe, Bishop of Southern Malawi; that they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments. *Silence*.

Refrain

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; that there may be justice and peace on the earth. *Silence*.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; that our works may find favor in your sight. *Silence*.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, 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; that they may be delivered from their distress. *Silence*.

Refrain

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Mary, Mary Kay, and those who have died from Covid-19; let light perpetual shine upon them. *Silence*.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; may we also come to share in your heavenly 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 God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY

ANTHEM: *Jesu, meine Freude*

Dieterich Buxtehude

Based on Hymn 701 and its tune by Johann Crüger

Jesu, priceless treasure, source of purest pleasure, truest friend to me, ah, how long in anguish shall my spirit languish, yearning, Lord, for thee?

Thou art mine,
O Lamb divine!
I will suffer naught to hide thee; naught I ask beside Thee.

Hence, all thought of sadness!
For the Lord of gladness,
Jesus, enters in.
Those who love the Father,
though the storms may gather,
still have peace within;
yea, whate'er
we here must bear,
still in thee lies purest pleasure,
Jesu, priceless treasure!

Johann Franck, tr. Catherine Winkworth

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

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

■ My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

BLESSING

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage. Hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you forever.

¥ Amen.

POSTLUDE: Prelude on 'Jesu, meine Freude'

Wilhelm Friedemann Bach

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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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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. Register at <u>The Abbey at St. David's</u>.

Adults are invited to join Father Chuck at 10 a.m. for the Rector's Forum, which is titled "When Will I See You Again?" after a one-hit wonder in 1974 by The Third Degrees. Father Chuck doesn't have a specific answer to this question; but, he does have a lot to say about it. We have some exciting plans to build community during this pandemic, and he will discuss return to in person worship, racism, and everything in between. Register here to receive a Zoom link.

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ST. DAVID'S?

If you want more information about the church, please email Amy Moehnke (<u>Amy.M@stdave.org</u>), our Director of Newcomer and Young Adult Ministries, and she will get back to you very soon!