

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Liturgy of the Word September 13, 2020 9:00 a.m.

Celebrant The Rev. Chad McCall, Associate Priest

Preacher The Rev. Dr. Chuck Treadwell, Rector

Music Dr. David Stevens, Director of Music

Mark Wischkaemper, Director of Music, Bethell Hall

The flowers on the High Altar are given in loving memory of Gloria Hodos Roberts Pinkston by Catherine Roberts.

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, 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 <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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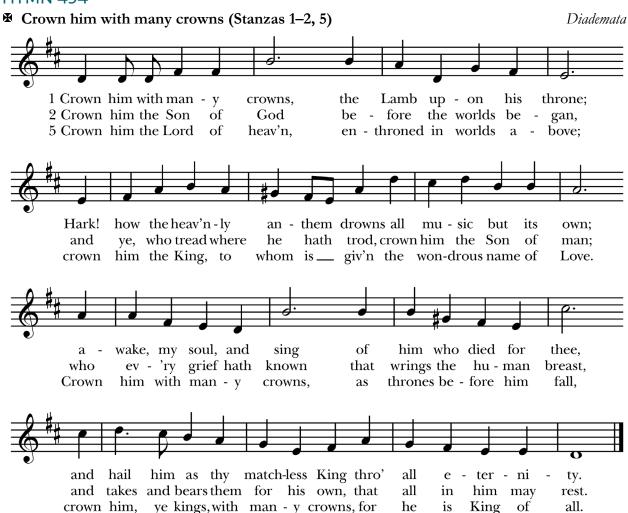
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PRELUDE: St. David's Favorite Hymn #7

arr. David Stevens

WELCOME

HYMN 494



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

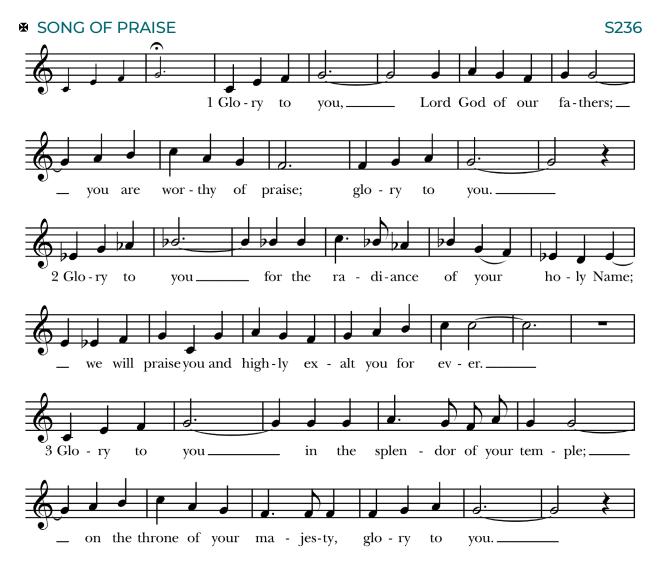
Let us confess our sins to God.

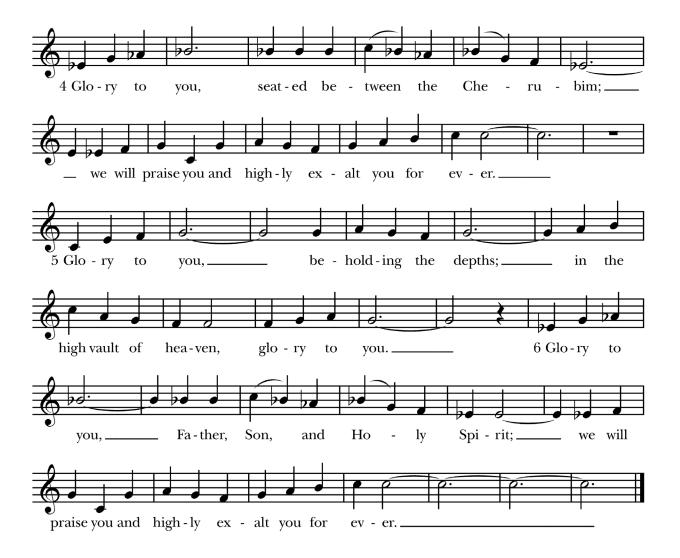
■ God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, 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.





The Lord be with you.

■ And also with you.

Let us pray.

COLLECT FOR PROPER 19

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O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 50:15-21

Cicily Simms

A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

The Word of the Lord.

▼ Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE

Psalm 103:8-13 (Please read responsively by whole verse.)

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

₱ 9 He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, * nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
 so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
 - 12 As far as the east is from the west, * so far has he removed our sins from us.
- ★ 13 As a father cares for his children, *
 so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

EPISTLE: Romans 14:1-12

Adam Nance

The Rev. Dr. Chuck Treadwell

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A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

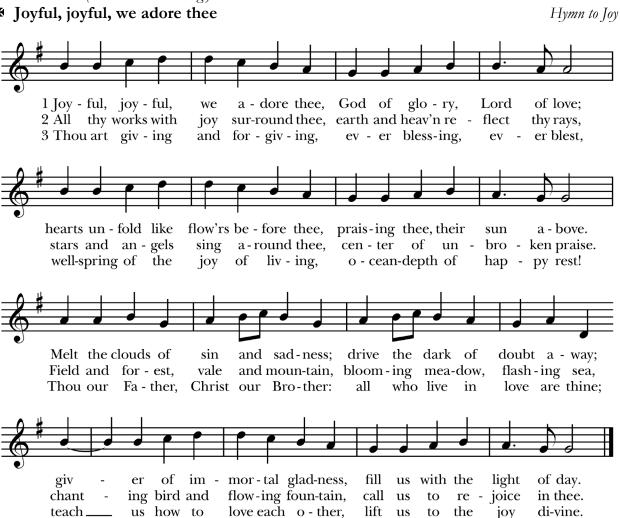
So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

The Word of the Lord.

▼ Thanks be to God.

HYMN 376 (Please stand and sing.)

■ Joyful, joyful, we adore thee



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

■ Glory to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord.

♣ Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON: The Rev. Dr. Chuck Treadwell, Rector

THE NICENE CREED (Please stand.)

₩ 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM IV

The Rev. Dr. Chuck Treadwell

(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*.

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 Lewis, Jim, Phil, John, Roy, 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.

RECOGNITION OF DAVID STEVENS' 30TH ANNIVERSARY AT ST. DAVID'S

OFFERTORY

ANTHEM: I give you a new commandment

David Stevens

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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★ 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.
- Amy Moehnke will host a 3-week Virtual Newcomer Class series beginning Wed, September 16 at 7 p.m. for those new to St. David's or the Episcopal faith.
- Men's Group will have a virtual meeting via Zoom at 7P on Thurs, September 17.
- Please complete the online worship survey and enter to win \$100 VISA gift card bit.ly/worshipsurvey2020 Please complete the survey by September 15.
- There are two virtual retreats coming up in October. The Men's Retreat is on Sat, October 3, and the Women's Retreat is on Sat, October 10. Details and registration are on the web site.
- We invite you to experience Compline on a Sunday at 8 p.m. Compline is a short, meditative service chanted by a choir, representing the last of the daily offices chanted by the monks before they retire for the evening. You can join and enjoy through the web site or our Facebook page.
- More upcoming events are listed on the next page and on our web site 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: Forgivness Matthew West

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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- 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, 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" (skipping Oct 25 & Nov 1). Today, join the Rev. Katie Wright for a discussion of the Prophet Jonah. 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 9 a.m.-1 p.m., and pick up 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

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!