



The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

19 November 2023

10:15 a.m.

Voluntary *Processional March*

William Henry Harris

Hymn 607

Llangloffan

Opening Sentences & Collect for Purity

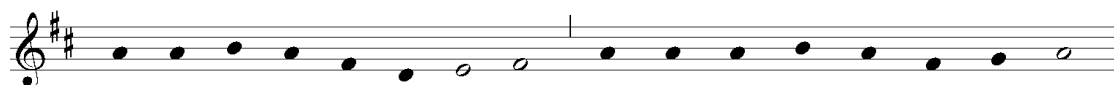
Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.**

The Gloria

David Hurd



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



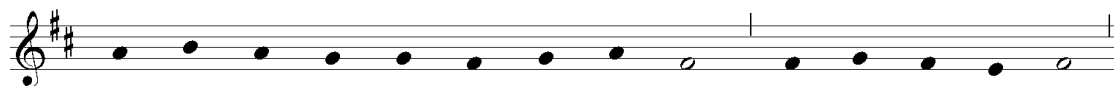
2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



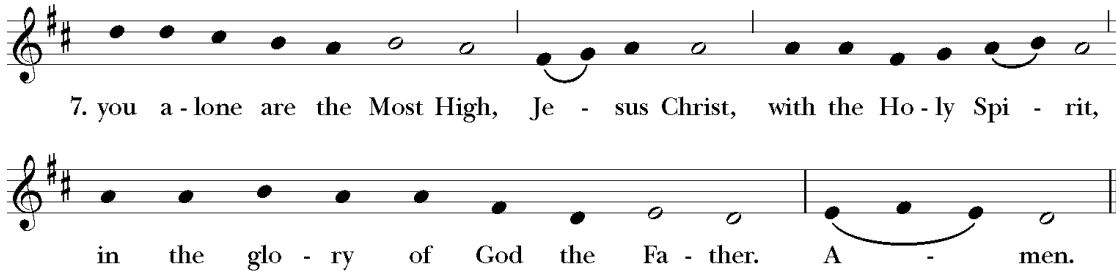
4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Judges 4:1-7

Reader A reading from Judges.

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 123

The psalm is sung by the choir.

1. To you I lift up my eyes,
to you enthroned in the heavens.
2. As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters,
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
3. So our eyes look to the Lord our God,
until he show us his mercy.
4. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy,
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
5. Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,
and of the derision of the proud.

The Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Reader A reading from First Thessalonians.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 655

Nyland

The Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven will be as when a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

A brief silence follows.

Nicene Creed

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: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, 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

That this day may be holy, good, and joyful:

We pray to you, O Lord.

That we may offer to you our worship and our work:

We pray to you, O Lord.

That we may strive for the well-being of all creation:

We pray to you, O Lord.

That in the pleasures and pains of life, we may know the love of Christ and be thankful:

We pray to you, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit, in communion with Blessed Mary, Blessed John, and all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ:

We pray to you, O Lord.

We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; & Jennifer our Bishop; for our clergy, staff, and vestry; for the Diocese of Brasilia and their Bishop Mauricio and the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon; for The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma), and Grace Church, Muncie.

We pray for the people of Israel and Palestine; for hostages and all innocent civilians in harms' way; for peace in all places of conflict; for the victims of violence; and for repair, understanding, and healing across our nation and in our community. We pray for all those commended to our prayers including those we name together:

Rosemarie Goonewardene, Sue Eichhorn, Don Nead, Janet Huber, Ginny Hull, Dean Hunter, Pam Ogorzaly, Barbara Hess, Helen Slagel, Paul Lawson, Pequita Behrndt, Douglas Campbell, Carolyn Speer, Carol Helgerman, John Howland, Alyce Dressler, John & Elizabeth Barrett, Bill McInerney, Jerry & Sandra, Terry, Lori, Martie, Joy, Ben, Judy, Rhianna, Josh, Chris, Rosemary, Deb, Paul, Marcus, Ben, Brent, Gabby, Kirsten, Pam, Wendell, Charles, Kay, Dale, and their families, and for those we name now either silently or aloud....

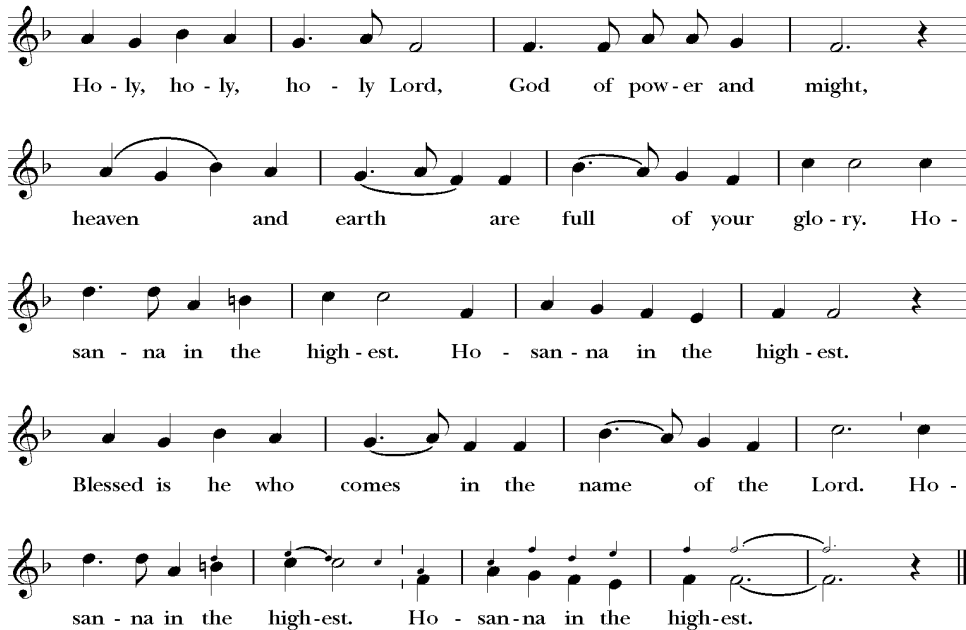
We pray for all who have died, including Raymond, those buried in the St. John's Memorial Garden, and those we name now either silently or aloud....

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

The presider concludes the prayers

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace to your church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The presider continues

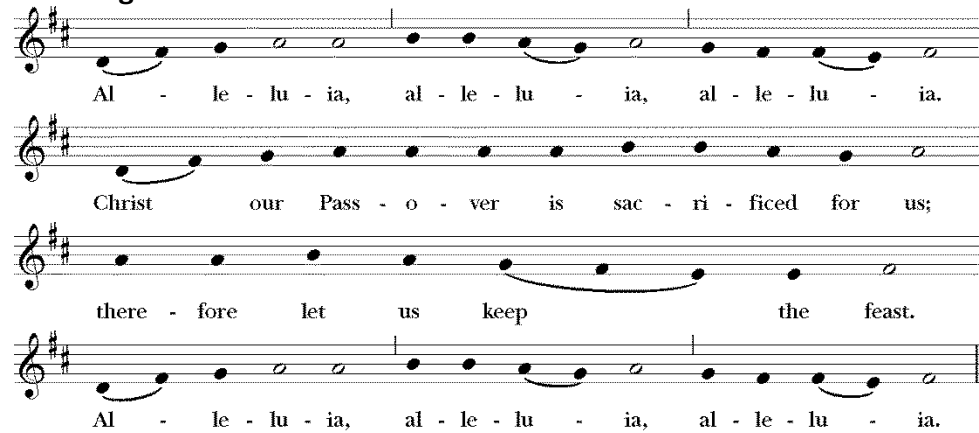
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking the Bread



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Invitation & Communion of the People

The consecrated Bread and Wine are living signs of the presence of Christ in this gathering. All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion; however, no one who comes forward will be refused. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please ask when you come forward.

Music during Communion

Hymn 326
Hymn 490

*St. Keverne
Houston*

The Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Presider blesses the people, and they respond
Amen.

Hymn 347

Litton

The Dismissal

A member of the clergy dismisses the people, and they respond
Thanks be to God.

Voluntary *Now Thank We All Our God*

J.S. Bach, arr. Virgil Fox

Our worship has ended. Our service begins.

Those Serving

Presider	Kristin White
Preacher	Bradley Pace
Assisting Clergy	Jason Fortner
MC	Maggie McClure
Acolyte	Greg McClure
Lectors	Betty Tonsing, George Moore
LEM	Dorinda Kueberth
Ushers	Becky Dick, Bruce Johnson
Counters	Rachel Shook, Sally Boniece
Altar Guild	Angela Mosier, Jennifer Stein, Julie Peretin, Mitchell Finley, Sally Byrn



Welcome

May today's worship give you a sense of Christ's peace and inspire you to God's service.

We welcome the full participation of children in our worship. Activity bags are located at the rear of the church and may help them during the liturgy. Please return the bags after the service. **We also offer nursery care during the service.** If you feel it is more comfortable for your child to be in childcare, an usher can direct you to the nursery.

St. John's has a Hearing Loop system, which allows those wearing appropriate hearing aids to receive the church's sound system directly. If you wear a hearing aid, you may need your audiologist to activate the T-coil in your device.

New To St. John's?

We're glad you're here.

If you are visiting with us, we invite you to worship, explore, ask questions, and help yourself to all our parish has to offer. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to an usher, a member of the clergy, or by filling out a guest card. Please visit stjohns-laf.org/guest or use the QR code.



Parish Announcements

Flowers at the Altar

Today's flowers are given in thanksgiving for the ministry of the Rev. Kristin Uffelman White by the Elder Pace family. Kristin has served as the Canon to the Ordinary for Congregational Development and Leadership in the Diocese of Indianapolis since 2018. On September 30 of this year, Kristin was elected the tenth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio.

Children's Chapel—continues Today

Children's Chapel is an opportunity to show the kids what being an Episcopalian is all about. Chapel is open to any children registered in Sunday school. Registration is simple and can be done here www.stjohns-laf.org/cfregistration/.

- 9:00-9:15 a.m. – Godly Play drop off in 2nd floor Art room. Snack provided.
- 10:00-10:15 a.m. – Godly Play pick up, Children's Chapel drop off, and break period.
- 10:15 a.m. – Chapel begins. Children are returned to parents at the Peace.

Revamping “Coffee Hour”

As part of a project for the College for Congregational Development, St. John's is collecting information regarding coffee hour, and we need your help. Please take a few moments to answer the questions displayed in St. John's Commons. Look for the easels. Look in your email inbox for a parish-wide survey, too. Thanks in advance for your help.

Turkeys for the Feast: Supporting the LUM Community Thanksgiving Celebration

St. John's will support the LUM Community Thanksgiving Celebration by providing 10 cooked turkeys for the feast. Please consider helping out by cooking a turkey or two. St. John's will provide the turkeys and foil pans. *A few turkeys and pans are still available this week.* Please return the cooked meat—off the bone—to St. John's by Wednesday, November 22 at 4:00 p.m. Go to <https://forms.gle/buF9jYwH4mh4zrvo6> OR use the form in the kitchen to sign up. For more information, contact the church office at 765.742.4079 or teresa@stjohns-laf.org.

Greater Lafayette Episcopal Youth Group

Youth in 6th through 12th grades are invited for fun and fellowship.

- TODAY 2-4 p.m. at Good Shepherd
- Saturday, December 2, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Jubilee Christmas Shopping, etc. (More details coming)

In December, we'll meet to shop for Jubilee Christmas and for a pre-Christmas party. For more information, go to www.stjohns-laf.org/youth or contact the church office.

Jubilee Christmas is Coming!

Jubilee Christmas will be in-person at St. John's, Lafayette on Saturday, December 9th. St. John's and Good Shepherd will host 40 families in two shifts. The first shift will be from 9–10:30 a.m. and the second shift will be from 10:30 a.m.–noon. In addition to monetary donations, we need volunteers to make Jubilee Christmas a success. Shoppers will need to start as soon as possible to buy the gifts for the children. The other volunteer opportunities will be for the day of Jubilee in December. Use the QR codes to sign up as a Shopper or as another Volunteer. If you would like to be put on the substitute list or for additional information, contact Mary Kay McCauley at mccauley.mk3@gmail.com or 765.490.0797.



Parish Prayer List

St. John's Cycle of Prayer—Greg & Maggie McClure, Jennifer McDonald, Audrey McDuffee, Bill & Olynn McInerney

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The leaders of our Communion—Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; & Jennifer our Bishop

St. John's Leadership, Staff, Clergy, & Seminarian—The Vestry, Wardens, and Volunteer staff; Amanda, Eva, Michael, & Teresa; Jason, Bradley, & Carolin

Our Ministry Partners—The Diocese of Brasilia and their bishop Mauricio and the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon; The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma), and Grace Church, Muncie

This nation and all in authority—Joe, our President; Eric, our Governor; and Tony and John, our mayors

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