



The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 21, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church & Richmond, Virginia

Welcome to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Throughout this bulletin, helpful guidance is printed in italics. Child care is available for infants and children through age 4 in our nursery on the lower level near the main parking lot entrance; greeters are happy to guide you. Children are also welcome in the service, and a "soft space" is available in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, one of the two side chapels in the church. It is offered so that children and parents can continue to participate in the service if and when they need more room than a church pew provides. Children must be accompanied by a parent while using the soft space.

Visitor Guides are found at entrances, and Welcome Cards are placed in each pew. If you are new here, we look forward to greeting you!

Voluntary *Esquisses Liturgiques: Quinquagésime*

Dom Paul Benoit

The Word of God

Hymn 537 Christ for the world we sing!

Moscow

Sung by all, standing as you are able. All hymns are found in The Hymnal 1982, the blue book in your pew rack.

Opening Acclamation

Enriching Our Worship

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

Said by all.

The Book of Common Prayer, page 355

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.

Song of Praise Surely it is God who saves me

Sung by all, standing.

Thomas Merton



Sure - ly it is God who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not fear.
Make his deeds known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed Name.



For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing help is near.
Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his might pro - claim.



So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal - va - tion's liv - ing spring;
Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with you has come to dwell,



in the day of your de - liv - 'rance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.
in your ve - ry midst, the great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. *Silence is kept.*

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lesson Jeremiah 23:1-6 *Please sit.*

Reader A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.** *A period of silence is kept.*

Psalm 23 *Said in unison, seated.*

King James Version

The LORD is my shepherd; *

I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; *

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul; *

he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil; *

for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; *

thou anointest my head with oil;

my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Silence is kept.

Hymn 343 Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

Sung by all, standing.

St. Agnes

The Gospel Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 *Please remain standing and face the reader of the Gospel.*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon The Rev. John D. Rohrs

The Nicene Creed *Said by all, standing.*

Prayer Book, page 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 Prayers of the People, Form VI

Prayer Book, page 392

Celebrant In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
You may stand or kneel and pray responsively.

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;
People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;
People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;
People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader For all bishops and other ministers;
People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation and for an end to suffering in the Holy Land, Eastern Europe, and all places of conflict, that peace and justice might prevail.

The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

Leader Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**
Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, [especially _____].

The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**
Leader We pray for all who have died, [especially _____], that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you.**
Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence is kept.*
People **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 Please stand. Prayer Book, page 360
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord. After exchanging the Peace, please be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

All comes from God, so from what God has given, we offer gifts as we participate in God's work in the world. You may offer your gift online (scan this QR code) or in the offering plates as they come by.



*St. Columba
Old 100th*

At the Offertory
Hymn 645 The King of love my shepherd is *Sung by all, seated.*

At the Presentation *Sung by all, standing.*
The fruits of our labor are presented to God, along with gifts for our food ministry.
**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.**

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C Prayer Book, page 369
The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

Sung by all.

Land of Rest

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

You may stand or kneel.

Celebrant
 And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.
 On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant

O God of patriarchs, matriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

Celebrant and People

Prayer Book, page 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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Franz Peter Schubert

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer-cy on us. Je - sus, bear-er of our sins: have mer-cy on
us. Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the
world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

Celebrant

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

At the Communion of the People

All are welcome at the altar in this place. Communion is distributed at the chancel steps or in one of the side chapels (kneeling or standing). The altar also extends to your pew if you need us to bring the sacrament to you; just let an usher know. To receive Communion, place your hands together, palms up. You may consume the bread and then drink from the wine in the larger chalice. If you prefer to “intinct” or touch the edge of your bread to the wine, please use one of the smaller cups, available at all stations. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms against your chest.

Music at Communion *Sung by all, seated.*

Hymn 656 Blest are the pure in heart

Franconia

Hymn 653 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Repton

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray. *You may stand or kneel.*

All **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.**

Prayer Book, page 365

The Blessing *The Celebrant pronounces God's blessing.*

Hymn 376 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee *Sung by all, standing.*

Hymn to Joy

Dismissal

Prayer Book, page 366

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary *Esquisses Liturgiques: Allegro vivo e maestoso*

Dom Paul Benoit



Memorials

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Brad Parrish by his family; William Ross Walker by his family; and George H. Williams, M.D., by his family. The vigil candle in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit is given in memory of Judith Youngblood Lane.

Participants

CELEBRANT: The Rev. William L. Sachs; **DEACON:** The Rev. William S. Stanley; **SUBDEACON:** Earl Roney; **READER/**
INTERCESSOR: Iffet Araniti-Davis; **PREACHER:** The Rev. John D. Rohrs; **ASSISTING PRIEST:** The Rev. John W.A. Jenkins;
CHALICE BEARERS: Tony Anthony, Chip Jamerson, Andy Luke, Alice Meadows; **ORGANIST:** Raymond Chenault;
VERGER: Dave Davis

The Parish Prayer List

Charles Adams, Becky Anthony, Abigail Palmer Anthony, Rubylane Armstrong, Robert Baker, Elizabeth Bannerman, Lash Barksdale, Sandra Barnthouse, Eileen Baxter, Nancy Beale, Nancy Beeler, Kay Best, Christine Boeteger, Denise Bondy, Genie Borum, Julia Bouck, Liz Brengel, Pat Brown, Turner Bruneau, *Michaux Buchanan*, Patti Bullen, Ann Campbell, Scott Carnohan, Percy Cochran, Stephanie Coleman, Susan Collier, Caswell Cooke, Mary Cooke, Prior Cooper, Gail Copeland, Randy Correll, Michelle Crim, the Most Rev. Michael Curry, Steven Dalle Mura, Hedley Hines Davey, Chris Davis, Ham DeRosa, Ken Dibble, Dane DiEugenio, Guy Frank, Nancy Gauldin, Frank Ginty, Mary Hancock, Rodger Hardy, Marion Hargrove, Marianne Harmuth, Reese Harrington, Katie Hellebush, Bob Hines, Tom Hodges, Deborah Hodgson-Lyons, Anna Hurdle, Esther Hutchison, Julie and Tom Imeson, the Rt. Rev. Shannon Johnston, Gouthum Karadi, Jane Kelly, Donna Kessler, Dana King, King Charles III, Jim and Diedra Kriewald, Hanns Kuttner, Caleb Lambert, Brenda Lorenz, Genie Lucyk, Joy Luke, Margaret Lyle, Ross Mackenzie, Vergie Madison, Peggy Maguire, Nick Martina, Barbara Mathison, Richard Maxwell, Virginia Maxwell, Michael McCabe, Stratton and Robin McCrady, Jack Miller, Mary Miller, Hoyt Minyard, Susan Minyard, Sallie Moncol, Caroline Hughes Neal, Anne P., Tricia Payne, Jim Picton, Wilde Poole and family, Bob Pope, Bryson Raquet, Wick Raquet, Paul Raver, Richard Rennolds, Stephanie Roberts, Linda Robinson, Paul Roper, Art Royals, Brenda Quinn, James Saunders and Harriet Covey, Frances Scales, T. Logan Scott, Charlie Seilheimer, Margie Sesler, Jane Settle, Jim and Mary Beth Shannon, Aiden Thomas Smith, Josh Spain, Reilly Starr, Joy Stevenson, Hew Stith, Regena Stith, Dorothy Suskind, Ron Swain, Jim Teachey, Margaret Thompson, Will Thompson, Tim, Nelson Toebe, Langdon Tollett, Kenneth Valke, Crystal Vines, Cordelia Vogel, Timothy W., *Mac Wade*, Ozzie Wade, Suzanne Wallace, Baird Weisleder, Tom White, Nelson Williams, Mary Wiltshire, Susie Wiltshire, Trevor Wingate, Paul Leddingdon Wright, Karen Young, Margaret P. Young. **For the blessings of this life**, *especially for the choirs of St. Stephen's and River Road Church, Baptist as they embark on a pilgrimage in England.* **For those expecting a child**, *especially Sarah and Nathan Smith.* **For our missionaries**, Heidi Schmidt and Monica Vega, and the people they serve in Argentina. **In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for *the Nippon Sei Ko Kai.* **For the women, men, and staff of the City Jail.** **For racial reconciliation and healing.** **For ReWork Richmond.** **For an end to gun violence.** **For peace and reconciliation** in Haiti, Iraq, Israel/Palestine, North Korea, South Sudan, Syria, and Ukraine, and at our borders. **For those serving overseas in the military or diplomatic service:** CPT Anna Broadbent-Evelyn.

Names in italics were added to the prayer list this week.

In order to keep our prayer list current and facilitate the intentionality and mindfulness with which we pray, we print names on the list for three months or less. If you would like for someone to remain on the list for more (or less) time, please call the office or email Mary Feldman at mfeldman@ststephensRVA.org.

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