



Palmer Hall Chapel

Sunday, October 27, 2024 at 9 a.m. ☩ Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church ☩ Richmond, Virginia

Welcome to the Palmer Hall service

We are delighted you are here. Wherever you might be on your faith journey, we hope your experience here will strengthen and affirm you. We are sure that your presence among us today strengthens others, and we welcome you to join in everything that St. Stephen's offers. Every Sunday, we offer several different services of worship (at 8, 9 and 11:15 a.m., and 5:30 and 8 p.m.), each with its own character. At 9 a.m., two services are happening simultaneously—one in the main church, and this one which takes place in Palmer Hall Chapel.

The Palmer Hall service for some feels especially welcoming to families, particularly those with babies and children. Both of the 9 a.m. services—this one, and the one in the main church—include important roles for children, and people of all ages are welcome at any service. In Palmer Hall, our worship space includes a "soft space." This is an area with a rug, floor cushions, and children's books where children can move a bit more freely and comfortably than they can in rows of seating. Please accompany your child to the soft space if and when they want to visit it; this helps us ensure the safety and comfort of our whole community.

Both of the 9 a.m. services include Holy Eucharist. All are welcome at the altar in this place. 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, touching the edge of the bread to the wine, please use one of the smaller cups. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms on the front of your chest. Children who have been baptized are welcome to receive communion. The important thing is that you know God welcomes you and that this church welcomes you. Please come back often.

Prelude I love you, Lord

Laurie Klein

Welcome

The Word of God

Opening Hymn Open my eyes, Lord

Songs of Love



1. O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face.
 2. O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice.
 3. O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to love like you.



O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to see. _____
 O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to hear. _____
 O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to love. _____

Opening Prayer

Deacon **Glory to the Holy One:**
People God beyond us, God with us, and God within us,
Deacon **Ever living, everlasting, ever loving One,**
People As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. *Silence is kept.*

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lesson Job 42:1-6, 10-17 *Please sit.*

Reader A Reading from the Book of Job.

Job answered the LORD:

“I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.
‘Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?’
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.
‘Hear, and I will speak;
I will question you, and you declare to me.’
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,
but now my eye sees you;
therefore I despise myself,
and repent in dust and ashes.”

And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job’s daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children’s children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

Psalm 126 *Said responsively by whole verse, seated.*

Prayer Book, page 782

1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations, *
“The LORD has done great things for them.”

4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Gospel Song

This little light of mine

Sung by all, standing. Following the Gospel, all remain standing and repeat verse 1.

1. This lit-tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine. This lit-tle light of mine,
 2. Je - sus gave it to me, I'm gon-na let it shine. Je - sus gave it to me,
 3. Ev-'ry - where I go, I'm gon-na let it shine. Ev-'ry - where I go,

I'm gon - na let it shine. This lit - tle light of mine,
 I'm gon - na let it shine. Je - sus gave it to me,
 I'm gon - na let it shine. Ev - 'ry - where I go,

I'm gon-na let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
 I'm gon-na let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
 I'm gon-na let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

The GospelMark 10:45-52 *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.

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

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

The Rev. John D. Rohrs

*The children are invited to gather on the center rug.***The Creed***Said by all, standing.*

**I believe in God above,
 I believe in Jesus' love.
 I believe God's Spirit too,
 comes to tell me what to do.**

**I believe that I can be
 kind and good,
 dear Lord, like thee.**

The Prayers of the People, Form III *Please remain standing.*

Prayer Book, page 387

Deacon

Let us pray for the church and the world.

Deacon

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People

That we all may be one.

Deacon

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People

That your name may be glorified by all people.

Deacon We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
 People **That they may be faithful ministers of your word and sacraments.**

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

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

Deacon Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
 People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Deacon We pray for those who have died [especially _____]. Give to the departed eternal rest.
 People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Deacon We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
 People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Deacon [We pray/give thanks for _____.] Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions.

Celebrant

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

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.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

—The Book of Common Prayer, page 377

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 (use the QR code, or text STSTEPHENS RVA to 73256), or in the offering plates as they come by.



Offertory Music Glorify thy name

Donna Adkins

At the Presentation *Sung by all, standing.*

Old 100th

**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 children are invited to follow the ushers forward to sit on the rug in front of the altar for the Great Thanksgiving.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Enriching Our Worship 2

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

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

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.

Celebrant

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus, the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw the whole world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Now gathered at your table O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was, and is, and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ, given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us with Blessed Stephen, Blessed Mary, Mother of God, and all your saints, from every tribe and language, and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

Celebrant

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

Celebrant and People

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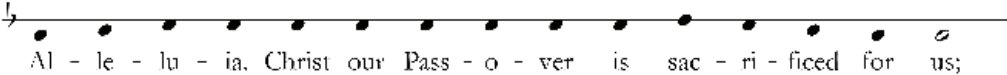
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.**

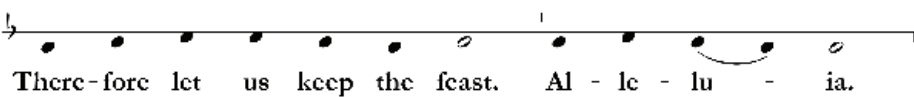
**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Mason Martens

Cantor 

All 

Celebrant

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

At the Communion of the People

Communion will be served at two stations, standing. All are welcome to come forward. To receive Communion, place your hands together, palms up. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please tell the minister. If you prefer a blessing, please cross your arms on the front of your chest.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray. *Please stand*

All
God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people
in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing Song Go Now in Peace *Sung by all.*

Natalie Sleeth

**Go now in peace, go now in peace.
May the love of God surround you,
everywhere, everywhere you may go.**

Hymn 671 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound *Sung by all, standing.*

New Britain

Dismissal

Prayer Book, page 366

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary The majesty and glory of your name

Tom Fettke



Participants

CELEBRANT: The Rev. John D. Rohrs

DEACON: The Rev. Abby Kocher

MUSICIAN: David Kim, *piano*

The Parish Prayer List

Ken Abrams, Charles Adams, Abigail Palmer Anthony, Rubylane Armstrong, Robert Baker, Elizabeth Bannerman, Lash Barksdale, Nancy Beale, Nancy Beeler, Kay Best, Christine Boeteger, Denise Bondy, Genie Borum, Julia Bouck, Granger Bradshaw, Liz Brengel, Leslie Brockman, Pat Brown, Turner Bruneau, Patti Bullen, Ann Campbell, Scott Carnohan, Percy Cochran, Stephanie Coleman, Susan Collier, Caswell Cooke, Mary Cooke, Prior Cooper, John Corey, Randy Correll, Michelle Crim, the Most Rev. Michael Curry, Steven Dalle Mura, Hedley Hines Davey, Chris Davis, Ham DeRosa, Guy Frank, Nancy Gauldin, Yvette Gerardin, Frank Ginty, Mary Hancock, Rodger Hardy, Marianne Harmuth, Katie Hellebush, Bob Hines, Tom Hodges, Deborah Hodgson-Lyons, Anna Hurdle, Esther Hutchison, Julie and Tom Imeson, the Rt. Rev. Shannon Johnston, Gouthum Karadi, Zaccheaus Katta, Jane Kelly, Donna Kessler, Dana King, Hilda King, Jim and Diedra Kriewald, Hanns Kuttner, Caleb Lambert, Sharon Livisie, Brenda Lorenz, Genie Lucyk, Joy Luke, Margaret Lyle, Ross Mackenzie, Peggy Maguire, Nick Martina, Barbara Mathison, Richard Maxwell, Virginia Maxwell, Michael McCabe, Stratton and Robin McCrady, Knox McFerren, Gertrude McLean, Jack Miller, John Miller, Mary Miller, Hoyt Minyard, Susan Minyard, Sallie Moncol, Caroline Hughes Neal, Tricia Payne, Beth Pearce, Wilde Poole and family, Bob Pope, Bryson Raquet, Wick Raquet, Richard Rennolds, Stephanie Roberts, Linda Robinson, Paul Roper, Brenda Quinn, Robert Sass, James Saunders and Harriet Covey, T. Logan Scott, Charlie Seilheimer, Margie Sesler, Jane Settle, Jim and Mary Beth Shannon, *Chrys Sills*, Aiden Thomas Smith, Josh Spain, Reilly Starr, Joy Stevenson, Hew Stith, Regena Stith, Dorothy Suskind, Jim Teachey, Jens Tholand, Margaret Thompson, Will Thompson, Tim, Nelson Toebe, Langdon Tollett, Kenneth Valke, Crystal Vines, Cordelia Vogel, Timothy W., Mac Wade, Ozzie Wade, Jane Wallace, Suzanne Wallace, Baird Weisleder, Tom White, Nelson Williams, Franklin Willis, Trevor Wilson, Mary Wiltshire, Trevor Wingate, Paul Leddingdon Wright, Karen Young, Margaret P. Young. **For those expecting a child**, especially Ali and Hatcher Crenshaw IV, Sarah and Andrew Klein, Meghan and Andrew Lawrence, and 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 *Scottish Episcopal Church*. **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 and Lt. Jonathan Dean Hudson.

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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