



8:00 SERVICE

*in person and online*

# The Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist

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Sunday November 13, 2022

Proper 28, Year C, Track 2

# Welcome, Visitors!

- **COVID-19 Protocols: Face Masks (N95 or KN95)** are required indoors, encouraged outdoors when in close proximity to others. **Physical distancing** is required indoors.
- **Contact Tracing:** Please give your name and some form of contact information to the usher so that we can notify you if someone attending today's service later gets COVID.
- **Restrooms** are located on both ends of the building.

Flowers are honoring Andrew Carter, Director of Music Ministries,  
and director of the St. John's Choir & Chime Choir.

## **NOTICE: Vestry Election to be held Sunday, December 10, 2022**

Nominations for Vestry Now Open | Deadline to submit: Sunday, November 13, 2022

Nominations for next year's Vestry are now open. The Nomination Committee is Allie DeArmond (Chair), Chris Rowen, Jon Showalter, and Sherrie DeWitt.

Qualifications for Vestry members and for voting can be found posted on our website, along with instructions if you want to nominate yourself, or anyone else:

<https://www.st-john-aptos.org/announcements.html>

## **Election Calendar**

- **TODAY** — Nominations for Vestry Candidates Close.
- Saturday, November 19, 2022 — Parish notified of nominees for Vestry, Parish Register open for inspection by candidates
- Sunday, December 4, 2022 — Annual Parish Meeting, Part 1: Election of Vestry Members
- Sunday, February 5, 2023 — Annual Parish Meeting, Part 2: Election of Delegates to Diocesan Convention

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Rite II from the Book of Common Prayer (1979)

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## † The Liturgy of the Word †

### **Opening Acclamation**

*EOW 1*

*Presider* Blessed be the one, holy and living God

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

### **The Collect for Purity**

*Presider* 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.**

## Gloria

BCP 356

All

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## Collect of the Day

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray. (Silence.) 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.**

## Introduction to the Hebrew Bible Reading

As we approach the end of the church year, the lectionary turns to passage about the end times. This passage from the prophet Malachi, the last of the 12 Minor Prophets of Judaism, refers to the coming Day of the Lord, the day of final judgment. Christians understand the “sun of righteousness” in verse 2 who will “rise with healing in its wings” to be a reference to Jesus. (The Christmas carol “Hark! the Herald Angels Sing” references this verse.)

### Malachi 4:1-2a

*New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)*

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

A bell is rung. We wait until we cannot hear the bell ringing anymore before continuing.

## Psalm 98

*BCP Version*

1 Sing to the LORD a new song, \*  
for he has done marvelous things.

2 With his right hand and his holy arm \*  
has he won for himself the victory.

- 3 The LORD has made known his victory; \*  
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, \*  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; \*  
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the LORD with the harp, \*  
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn \*  
shout with joy before the King, the LORD.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, \*  
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, \*  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,  
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world \*  
and the peoples with equity.

## **Introduction to the Second Reading**

In this passage, the Apostle Paul exhorts everyone in the church at Thessaloniki to contribute to the greater good of the community, scolding those who only take and do not give.

## **2 Thessalonians 3:6-13**

*New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)*

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

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## Introduction to the Gospel Reading

In this Gospel passage, Jesus speaks about the end times.

### Luke 21:5-19

*New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

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

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, “As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Sermon: Amma Eliza Linley, Assisting Clergy

### The Nicene Creed

*BCP 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. 5**

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 III, BCP 387*

*Deacon* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Intercessor* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*People* **That we all may be one.**

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

*Intercessor* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*People* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Intercessor* 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.**

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

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

*Intercessor* Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*People* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

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

*Intercessor* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Hong Kong Anglican Church. In our diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for our Missional Grants Committee, for The Rev. Filemón Diaz, Latino Missioner in Southern Monterey County, and for all who engage in mission work. From our parish prayer list, we pray for Julia Patton, Georgeann & Gary and Kelly M.

For what else do the people of God pray?

At this point, the People may add their own petitions.

## Concluding Collect

*BCP 395, Collect 5*

*All* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

## Confession of Sin

*BCP 360*

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence, to allow time for individuals to silently confess specific sins to God.

*All* 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

*EOW 1*

*Presider* 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 Peace

*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

Because the sharing of the peace symbolizes being reconciled with one another before receiving communion, it is particularly appropriate to seek out anyone with whom you may have had a conflict recently and offer a sign of peace at this time.

## Community Prayers

*Modified from BCP 830, 421, 431, & 831*

### For Birthdays, Baptism Anniversaries, Wedding Anniversaries, and Travelers

*Presider* Watch over Wilma Staver (11/13), Joanna Phillips (11/19) O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be.

*People* **Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives.**

*Presider* We ask for courage, patience and vision for Anne Sherwood (11/14), who celebrates her baptism anniversary this week.

*People* **Strengthen her in her Christian vocation of witness to the world and of service to others.**

*Presider* Send your blessing upon Bill & Suzanne Baumhefner (11/15) as they celebrate their wedding anniversary.

*People* **May they so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace.**

*Presider* O God, whose glory fills your whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go, preserve \_\_\_\_\_ as they travel.

*People* **Surround them with your loving care, protect them from every danger, and bring them in safety to their journey's end. Amen.**

## **Veterans' Day Prayer**

*The Rev. Jennifer Phillips, University of Rhode Island*

Governor of Nations, our Strength and Shield, we give you thanks for the devotion and courage of all those who have offered military service for this country: For those who have fought for freedom; for those who laid down their lives for others; for those who have borne suffering of mind or of body; for those who have brought their best gifts to times of need.

On our behalf they have entered into danger, endured separation from those they love, labored long hours, and borne hardship in war and in peacetime.

Lift up by your mighty Presence those who are now at war, encourage and heal those in hospitals or mending their wounds at home, guard those in any need or trouble, hold safely in your hands all military families, and bring the returning troops to joyful reunion and tranquil life at home. Give to us, your people, grateful hearts and a united will to honor these men and women and hold them always in our love and our prayers; until your world is perfected in peace through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen**

## **† The Holy Communion †**

### **The Offertory**

During the offertory portion of the service, we offer our gifts to God. At St. John's, that takes the form of both financial gifts and gifts of our time. Time donated is documented on a form and put in the offering plate along with financial offerings. If you're participating online, you can find links to donate on the Virtual Worship page of our website: [www.st-john-aptos.org/virtual-worship.html](http://www.st-john-aptos.org/virtual-worship.html)

### **Offertory Sentence**

*2 Corinthians 9:7, NLT*

“You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure, for God loves a person who gives cheerfully.” - *The Apostle Paul*

### **Eucharistic Prayer B**

*BCP 367*

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Presider* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:

*Presider & People* **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Presider* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Presider & People* **We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*Presider* And we offer this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the

Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. John the Baptist and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*BCP 364*

*Presider* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,  
*All* **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 of the Bread**

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Receiving communion is an act of renewing one's commitment to Christ and receiving grace to continue to follow him. Please join us in the circle, even if you choose not to receive communion, which you can indicate by crossing your arms over your chest as the servers come by. If you choose not to receive, the priest will say a blessing over you instead.

## **Distribution of Communion**

The bread is distributed first. Please hold out your hands to indicate your desire to receive; the priest will place the bread in your hand. Gluten-free wafers are available if needed; they are in a separate gold container on the paten (plate) with the bread.

The wine will be served in the common cup (chalice) and from a flagon (pitcher) that is not shared with others. To receive from the non-shared flagon, you must have brought a cup from home; hold out that cup as the servers come around so they can see that you would like to receive from the flagon instead of the chalice. If you would like to abstain from the wine entirely, cross your arms over your chest when the wine comes by.

## **For Online Participants: Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

Those not physically present to receive communion can say this prayer while communion is being

distributed: "In union, O Lord, with the faithful of St. John's, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all the love of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live in you, and may you live in me, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen."

If you live in Santa Cruz County and would like someone to bring you communion at home, please contact the church office at 831-708-2278 or email [levs@st-john-aptos.org](mailto:levs@st-john-aptos.org).

## **Post-Communion Prayer**

*BCP 365*

*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."**

## **The Blessing**

## **The Dismissal**

*BCP 366*

*Deacon*     **Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.**  
*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

Flowers given & coffee hour hosted by Debra Spencer  
in honor of her cousin Barenice Murphy

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**(routes to a group of 40+ parishioners who will pray for you immediately)**

## Serving Today at 8 a.m.

<i>Presider &amp; Preacher:</i>	The Rev. Eliza Linley, Assisting Clergy
<i>Deacon:</i>	The Rev. Joan Anderson
<i>Server:</i>	Brian Raney
<i>First Reading:</i>	Margy Cottle
<i>Epistle:</i>	Nancy Goehring
<i>Usher:</i>	Bart Coddington
<i>Altar Guild:</i>	Eileen Fernald, Tina Grubbe, Lise Crowley
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Ministers: All of us!



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