

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
St. David's Episcopal Church
Sunday, July 5, 2020

Holy Eucharist II 355

Opening Hymn

1982 Hymnal 699

Jesus, Lover of my Soul

- 1 Jesus, Lover of my soul,
let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll,
while the tempest still is high:
hide me, O my Savior, hide,
till the storm of life be past;
safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.
- 2 Other refuge have I none,
hangs my helpless soul on thee;
leave, ah! leave me not alone,
still support and comfort me!
All my trust on thee is stayed;
all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenseless head
with the shadow of thy wing.
- 3 Plenteous grace with thee is found,
grace to cleanse from every sin;
let the healing streams abound,
make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art,
freely let me take of thee:
spring thou up within my heart,
rise to all eternity.

Celebrant
People

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant

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.**

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

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant In time of anxiety, illness suffering and death, your people turn to you for hope and comfort. O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Independence Day

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson Zechariah 9:9-12

David Miller

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145:8-14

Led by Kim Neighbor

- 8 **The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.**
- 9 The Lord is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.
- 10 **All your works praise you, O Lord, *
and your faithful servants bless you.**
- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom *
and speak of your power;

**12 That the peoples may know of your power *
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**

13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; *
your dominion endures throughout all ages.

**14 The Lord is faithful in all his words *
and merciful in all his deeds.**

15 The Lord upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down.

**Second Reading
Romans 7:15-25a**

Kim Neighbor

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Be Not Afraid

Verse 1

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain

Be not afraid.
I go before you always.
Come follow me, and
I will give you rest.

Verse 2

If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side, know that
I am with you through it all.

Refrain

Be not afraid.
I go before you always.
Come follow me, and
I will give you rest.

Verse 3

Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked men insult and hate you all because of me, blessed, blessed
are you!

Refrain

Be not afraid.
I go before you always.
Come follow me, and
I will give you rest.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 11:16-19,25-30

Deacon

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Sermon

Father Don

Be Not Afraid

(sung twice)

Be not afraid.

I go before you always.

Come follow me, and

I will give you rest.

The Nicene Creed

All: 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

Beau Sawyer

Reader: Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

Reader: We pray for the church. Sustain us as we share your word. Embrace us as we struggle to find our common ground. Lift up leaders with powerful and prophetic voices. Free us from stagnant faith. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for the well-being of creation. Protect the air, water, and land from abuse and pollution. Free us from apathy in our care of creation and direct us toward sustainable living. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for the nations especially the United States and Canada, celebrating their nationhood. Guide leaders in developing just policies and guide difficult conversations. Free us from patriotism that hinders relationship-building. Lead us to expansive love for our neighbor. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for all in need. For all who are tired, feeling despair, sick, or oppressed especially all those on our parish prayer list. Take their yoke upon you and ease their burdens. Give your consolation and free us from all that keeps us bound. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: We pray for this congregation. Bless pastors, deacons, and congregational leaders. Energize children's ministry volunteers, church administrators, and those who maintain our building. Shine in this place that we might notice the ways your love transforms our lives. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: We especially pray today in remembrance and thanksgiving for the birthdays of Ava Vassall, Tom Kovacs, Sean Carr, Kyle Robinson, Jaime Machnik, Nathan Pane and James Patterson also the wedding anniversaries of Chris & Holly Hibbard, Arthur & Diane Roby, Richard & Terry Bennett. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: We give thanks for those who have died in faith especially those taken by the corona virus. Welcome them into your eternal rest and comfort us in our grief until we are joined with them in new life. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Confession

Priest: We confess to you once again that we have not loved you with our whole hearts nor with all our minds. Neither have we loved our neighbors as much we love ourselves and those who look like us.

Rather, we have divided ourselves based on distinctions of skin color. We confess that our nation has accepted this sin. We know that with your forgiveness comes the responsibility to forego privileges based on lies, theft, cruelty, murder, and slavery.

All: Have mercy on us.

Priest: Awaken the resolve of a country in which many benefit from systemic sin and give us the strength and resolve to make atonement, to rectify injustice, and to walk humbly alongside you.

All: Have mercy on us.

Priest: Release us who live privileged lives, holding to false stereotypes. Grant us vision to see our sisters and brothers as your children and not as "others."

All: Have mercy on us.

Priest: Give us the courage to renounce our entitlement and to accept that God's justice requires not only societal change but changes in the way each of us thinks and lives.

All: Have mercy on us.

Priest: Make us instruments of truth and transformation. It is to you we turn for renewal. It is to you we turn for restoration. Lead us to the hour when we can end racism and heal the nation.

All: Have mercy on us.

Priest: May you, O God, our God, bless those who acknowledge you, especially who call your Son our Lord, that we may work together to build the beloved community.

All: Have mercy on us.

Priest : May your forgiveness touch our hearts and lift us up, and may we be able to forgive others as we are forgiven

All: Amen.

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Priest 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.

Priest It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Eternally the Angels praise your majesty and worship together with exultation. May our voices, join with theirs in humble praise as we acclaim

**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.**

Priest: Holy and gracious Father:

In this time of fear and stress, we turn our hearts to you, looking for your help and consolation. As the warm days of approaching summer beckon to us we cautiously maintain our isolation for our own safety, and out of concern for one another.

We affirm that the power of God is greater than death. We take heart as we remember your love for all creation, and we recall the many times when the people of St. David's gathered to be fed by your word and sacrament. We remember, too, that many times in ages past your people were fed through your loving care. We remember the food you provided your People as they journeyed through the wilderness toward the Promised land. We remember how, in another wilderness place, Jesus fed the multitudes who had come to listen to his preaching. And above all, we remember the evening when Jesus gathered with a small group of his friends, to link his life to the ancient story of liberation celebrated by the Jewish people in the Passover.

That night, Jesus took the simple food and drink before him and created for all time a means by which those who love him may be joined intimately with him and with each other. He created a sacrament for your Church, but in this time of sickness, when our joyful celebrations are curtailed, we cannot gather as we would wish. So we turn to your words, "Whenever you do this, [whenever you eat and drink,] do it in remembrance of me." We trust that you are present to your people once again. We have feasted on your word, and now we give thanks that in this time your love reaches into our homes so that having this food before us reminds us of the abundance of your goodness through which we are sustained every day.

With sorrow, we mourn the loss of receiving your blessed Body and Blood. With gratitude, we take what you have made available to us as a taste of the abundant grace of your kingdom. We thank you, Lord, our God

All: We thank you, Lord our God.

Priest: As one family we now pray as our Savior Christ has taught us,

**All: 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.**

Priest: Loving God, bless all those spiritually gathered here today, as we remember the friendship and fellowship of our church. Place in our hearts the desire to make a difference to our families, to our community, to our country, and to the world. Give us peace in these times of distraction and uncertainty.

Thank you for food in a world where many know only hunger; For our faith in a world where many know fear; For friends in a world where many know only loneliness. Please bless this food we are about to share, bless those through whose labor we receive it. For all of this we give you thanks.

All: We give you thanks

All eat and drink from the food before us. After all have tasted of the food (the food may be finished after the conclusion of the Service) and the music has ended.

Communion Music

**St. David's Virtual Choir
Capital Symphony Orchestra**

America the Beautiful
arr. Carmen Dragon

All: Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ.
You have fed us with the spiritual food of your
Word and you have given us the means to
partake of the abundance of this world.
Make us mindful now that you have called us
to be your presence in this world,
and grant us strength and courage to love
and serve you and the people you have set
before us with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Vestry and Discernment Prayer

All: Lord, we ask you to guide the members of our
Vestry and Discernment Committee
so that they may hear Your voice leading St. David's Church
into the future to which you are calling us.
Give them wisdom and insight into the qualities of
Leadership needed to best serve our precious church.
Inspire also the person You intend to be our spiritual leader
and pastor. Give us all a sense of happy anticipation
as we wait the one we know will be the right one
according to Your plan for us.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Blessing

Priest: May the blessing of God the Father, who created all things and set
them before us, give you joy in his creation.

All: Amen.

May the Son of God, Jesus the Christ, who showed us the Way of
love fill you with the spirit of love for one another.

All: Amen.

May the Spirit of God who abides with the Church, lead you to take
up your call to live as a citizen of the Kingdom of God.

All: Amen.

Priest: And may Almighty God be with you always and bless you, +
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

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God of our Fathers

- 1 God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.
- 2 Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
in this free land by thee our lot is cast;
be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay,
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.
- 3 From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
be thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
thy true religion in our hearts increase,
thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.
- 4 Refresh thy people on their toilsome way,
lead us from night to never-ending day;
fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and one another.

All: Thanks be to God.

Announcements

Fr. Don and Mel Caron are hosting an online study each Wednesday evening at 7:00 to 8:30 on Zoom. This class will be offered especially for parishioners of Good Shepherd Episcopal in Pitman and St. David's Episcopal in Cranbury.

July 8 – Topic: "A Passion for Christ: Paul"

This study is not sequential, so you can jump in any time after the beginning. You may join this session by clicking on this link

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87067058188>

Meeting ID: 870 6705 8188

The Prayer Station is Back!

“Just let God into the situation and hold it there”

Dr. Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury, on intercessory prayer.

Deacon Hank and Pastoral Associate Kate are resuming the “prayer station” immediately following the Sunday service beginning this Sunday and each week thereafter.

With all that is weighing on us in our world today, we'd like to give all of you the opportunity to express your concerns and pray with us together. We will meet with you for private intercessory prayer via Zoom immediately following Sunday service using the separate Zoom account below. We will use the ‘waiting room’ to keep your time with us private, and let the next person enter after each one of you has completed your prayer with us. We are looking forward to meeting with you in prayer once again.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86352809917?pwd=SFJtV1l4SzVqWmhTM3AvdnNlUUkwwQT09>

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The Outreach Committee is able to assist with food or other necessities.

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Please remember in your Prayers this week: Judy Evans, Tom Evans, Karen Rowden, Michael Koretsky, Don Nanchoo, Lourdes Sanchez, Nora, Gabriel, Adrian Sun, Cameron Polanco, Tappen Soper, Barbara, Elke Lindemann, Mary Channon Cushing, Ken Robinson, Lynda Hammel, Beau Sawyer, Meridith Stout, Yvonne Tessier, Theresa Wilson, Ed Merkel, Tracy Rozkowski, Alyssa, Debbie, Alice Harroun, Susan Harroun, Carol Toth, Omar Holmes, Kathleen Sinclair, Ed Kornberg, Ron Surtz, Sue Dell, Talan, Linda, Rita, Marion, Lisa, Lillian, David Muggeo, Jane Muggeo, Lisa Muggeo, Gary Long, Diane Roby, Arthur Roby, Laura, Mary, Dave Mitchell, Jeff Reed, Paul Szymanski, Judy Calistri, Bea, Rachel Krimkowitz, Francine Palmer, Harry Krimkowitz, Kathryn Deneroff, Nicole Sitko, Thomas Gregory, Rita Lecorchick, Robin Machnik, Joanne Morse, Roger Hammel, Timothy Doyle, Linda Turato, Adam Krimkowitz, Neal Rouse, Loraine, Kathy, Laura, Cliff Shore, Alice Wilberforce, Doug Szalai, Maverick Brower, Diane Doscher, Lily Chung, Bill, Pete Micale, Piper Sousa, Trozia Heit, Hilda Delgado, Carl, Kai, Tom Coulter, Joyce, Brian, Carl, Joyce, Nanci B., Stewart Sowter, Marna McDermott, Kristen Holobowicz, John. *(Names remain on the healing list for four weeks. Please contact the parish office to have names added or to extend those already on the list.)*

Pray for those in the Armed Forces and others who are serving at home and abroad: Donald Whitlock, James McDermott, Joseph Matson, Gregory Seymour, James Kelly, Sam Crumbaugh, Ken St. Germain, Trevor Stranko, Grace Stranko, Drew Vigliotti, Shawn Porter, Penny Quinton, Nathan Pane and John Michael Vavala.
