

ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

in the heart of the Historic Stockade District

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PROPER 14B - 11 AUGUST 2024

SUNG MASS - RITE I, 10AM

The Reverend Thomas J. Pettigrew, *Rector*
 Dr. Brian J. Taylor, AAGO, *Director of Music*

MASS SETTING

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Chorale Prelude on *Schmucke dich*

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

THE PREPARATION OF SACRED MINISTERS IN THE LADY CHAPEL

The Sacred Ministers, Servers & Choir offer Preparatory Prayers prior to the Entrance Procession

THE ENTRANCE HYMN, HYMN 48 O day of radiant gladness

Es flog ein kleins Waldvoegelein

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

(people kneel)

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE INTROIT

Sung by the Cantor

This is the bread which came down from heaven: he that eateth of this bread shall live forever. Ps. I waited patiently upon the Lord and he heard my cry: he put a new song in my mouth. Glory be.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

THE KYRIE ELEISON, HYMNAL S-91

Sung by all

(people kneel)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x)

Christ, have mercy upon us. (3x)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x)

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS, HYMNAL S-202

Sung by all

(people stand)

**Glory be to God on high,
 and on earth peace, good will towards men.
 We praise thee, we bless thee,
 we worship thee,
 we glorify thee,
 we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
 O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Al-
 mighty.
 O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sins of the world,
 have mercy upon us.
 Thou that takest away the sins of the world,**

**receive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the
 Father,
 have mercy upon us.
 For thou only art holy;
 thou only art the Lord;
 thou only, O Christ,
 with the Holy Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father.
 Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot exist without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSON*I Kings 19.4-8*

A READING from the First Book of Kings

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

V. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL*Sung by the Cantor*

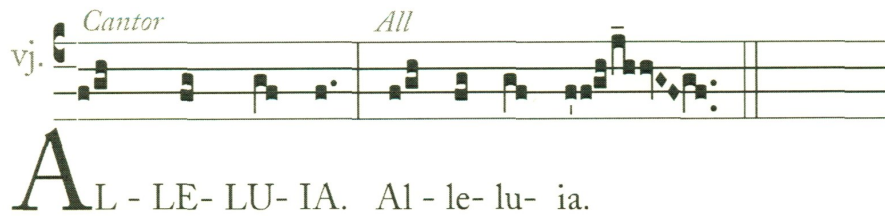
How sweet are thy words to my taste: sweeter than honey to my mouth. Thy word is a lantern to my feet: and a light upon my path.

THE EPISTLE*Ephesians 4.25-5.2*

A READING from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

V. The Word of the Lord **R. Thanks be to God.**



ALLELUIA. **ALLELUIA.** Such as are planted in the house of the Lord: shall flourish in the courts of the house of our God. **ALLELUIA.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 6.35, 41-51

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO SAINT JOHN

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

V. The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rector

THE NICENE CREED

(people stand)

IBELIEVE IN ONE GOD, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to Judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father (and the Son); who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead ☩ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & GREETINGS

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(As announced)

THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this Holy Sacrament to your comfort, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

ALMIGHTY GOD, FATHER of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

ALMIGHTY GOD, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

(people stand)

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Sung by the Cantor

My soul cleaveth to the dust; O quicken thou me according to thy word: I will run the way of thy commandments; when thou hast set my heart at liberty.

THE OFFERTORY, HYMN 339

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

Schmucke dich

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.	
<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord.	
<i>Celebrant</i>	
Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.	
<i>People</i>	
It is meet and right so to do.	

The Celebrant sings the Proper Preface

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT, HYMNAL S-114

Sung by all

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

(people kneel)

ALL GLORY BE TO THEE, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ✠

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." ✠

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy ✠ grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE FRACTION

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

THE AGNUS DEI, HYMNAL S-158

Sung by all

(people kneel)

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Said by All

(people kneel)

WE DO NOT PRESUME to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE INVITATION

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.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

All baptized Christians may receive communion. If you wish to not receive, you are invited to come forward and cross your arms, indicating that you wish to receive a blessing. Gluten-free hosts are available.

THE COMMUNION SENTENCE

Sung by the Cantor

He that eateth my Flesh and drinketh my Blood: dwelleth in me and I in him.

COMMUNION HYMN HYMN 341

For the bread which you have broken

Omni die

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Said by All

(people kneel)

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

(people kneel)

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE RETIRING PROCESSION, HYMN 457

Thou art the Way, to thee alone

St. James

CLOSING VOLUNTARY:

Prelude and Fugue in E minor (BWV 555) *Attr. to Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*

MINISTERS OF TODAY'S LITURGY

Celebrant & Preacher:	The Reverend Thomas J. Pettigrew, Rector
Master of Ceremonies:	David G. Kennison
Organist:	Dr. Brian J. Taylor
Cantor:	Louisa Carr
Thurifer:	Chris Henry
Crucifer:	Daniel Miess
Acolytes:	Anne Kennison, J. J. Moran
Greeters:	Gloria Kishton, Jon Ewbank
Lector:	David Kennison
Counters:	Paul Smigelski, Kevin Decker
Altar Guild:	Natasha Bassant
Sacristans:	David & Anne Kennison

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

The Sick and those in need: Gabriella Rose, Katie, Fr Michael Webber, Bishop Michael Curry, Father Charles King, Jane Ruzicka Pennacchia, Marianne Perez, John, Tai, Ruth S., Rachel, Doug, Carol Delorme, Ruth A., Francis C., Don Ingram, Suzy, Richard, Abby, Luca Taylor, Destiny & Chris Taylor, James L., Stephanie Bahr, Elinore Farnum, Hooter Zimmerman, Eric, Pam, Sally

The prayer list will be reset every 3 months. Did we miss an important date for our birthday and faithful departed intentions? If you would like a name included on the prayer list or on the annual rota of intentions, send an email to rector@stgeorgesschenectady.org

The Departed:

Birthdays: Greg Thomas (13), Stephen Ryan-Vuotto (17)

Baptismal Anniversaries: Michael Allen (16)

Wedding Anniversaries:

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 11 — 10:00 a.m. — Sung Mass — Pentecost 12

Thursday, August 15 — 7:00 p.m. — Solemn High Mass — Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, August 16 — 12:00 p.m. — Low Mass — Stephen of Hungary

Sunday, August 18 — 10:00 a.m. — Sung Mass — Pentecost 13

WELCOME VISITORS!

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our visitors today. Whether you live in our area and decided to worship with us today or if you are visiting from out of town, we offer you a warm Georgian welcome! There are visitor cards in most of the pews and we ask that you fill one out and give it to the Greeters at the door or simply drop it in the offering plate. We'd love to see you again. Our website, www.stgeorgesschenectady.com.

SUMMER LEMONADE HOUR

Please join us for lemonade and cookies outside in front of the church door after Mass. Coffee also is available in the Great Hall.

Parish Outreach

SYCAMORE COLLABORATIVE FOOD PANTRY — Today is our ingathering for the Food Pantry. We are collecting non-perishable food for the pantry to distribute to their clients. Please bring your contributions to the back of the church where they will be blessed at Mass and then taken to the pantry. The next ingathering will be September 15th.

SYCAMORE SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM — Once again St. George's Church will participate in the Sycamore Summer Lunch program which feeds children and youth in Schenectady. Our week to serve lunch is Monday, August 19th through Friday, August 23rd. A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church. We encourage everyone to pick a day to participate, several days if you can. For more information speak to Paul Smigelski.

YWCA SHELTER — September 15th is our next quarterly donation for the YWCA emergency shelter. (This is a change of date from previous announcements.) In addition to personal hygiene items such as shampoo, conditioner, menstrual products, etc. the YWCA is now asking for **NEW** children's underwear of all sizes. Contributions may be brought to the back of the church any time this summer.

Parish Life & Beyond...

ROSARY PRAYER — Next Sunday, August 18th, the Society of Mary will pray the Rosary in the Lady Chapel just before Mass at 9:15 a.m. All are invited to join in praying the Rosary in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

LEMONADE HOUR SIGN-UP — The Hospitality Committee is looking for people to sign up to bring cookies and make lemonade and iced tea for our Lemonade Hour after Mass. If you have any questions speak to Carol Gage or Sandee Hughes.

ASSUMPTION DAY MASS — This Thursday, August 15th, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Mary the Virgin, known also as the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin, with a Solemn High Mass at 7:00 p.m. A reception will follow at the Rectory. (This will replace this week's 6 p.m. Healing Mass.)

ART FAIR CAFE — The Stockade Neighborhood Art Show will be Saturday, September 7th. Once again St. George's will be offering a lunch café from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on this day. A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church for those willing to participate, or you may speak to Brian Taylor for more information or to volunteer.

ALL ON THE SAME PAGE BOOK CLUB — Members of the church's book club will convene after Mass on September 15th to discuss *The Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead. Pattie Wareh selected this novel, which is based on an actual reform school in Florida in the 1960s. Please see Pattie or Meg Hughes if you have questions.

Looking Ahead

FALL STUDY GROUPS — Beginning in September we will offer three new study groups.

On Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m., after Morning Prayer, we will offer a lectionary study group where members will read and discuss the lessons for the upcoming Sunday. Opportunity will be given to ask questions or give feedback from the previous Sunday's Sermon. The first meeting of this group is September 3rd.

On Thursdays after the Healing Mass, around 6:45 p.m. (except on Vestry nights), we will offer a theological reading group discussing one or two chapters of the book, *Glorious Companions: Five Centuries of Anglican Spirituality*. These chapters are short but rich excerpts from the writings of Anglican writers and thinkers from the 16th through the 20th century. The first meeting of this group is September 5th.

Finally, we will offer a five week study session on the book *The Spiritual Work of Racial Justice: A Month of Meditations with Ignatius of Loyola* by Fr. Patrick Saint-Jean, a Roman Catholic priest in the Jesuit order. These sessions will be offered on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. beginning October 2nd and running through October 30th. They will be led by Ms. Lisa Longe of St. Ann's Episcopal Church, Amsterdam. Ms. Longe is a certified spiritual director and has a Master of Arts degree in Christian Spirituality from Fordham University. Please contact the office if you register, and please purchase the book in advance of the first session.

