

# ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

in the heart of the Historic Stockade District

# THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Proper 27B - 10 November 2024 SUNG MASS - RITE I, 10AM

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

MASS SETTING

First Communion Service

John Merbecke (1505-1585)

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** Adagio Molto fr. Sonata no. 3 in C minor (Opus 56)

Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

## 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 411

O bless the Lord, my soul

St. Thomas (Williams)

# 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 Cantor & Choir

"Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth: blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled." Ps. The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart: and will save such as be of a humble spirit. 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-90

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-201

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,

 $\maltese$  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.

OGD, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. **Amen**.

THE LESSON I Kings 17.8-16

## A READING from the first Book of the Kings

The word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

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

# THE GRADUAL

Sung by the Choir and Congregation

Psalm 146

Praise the | Lord O my soul; while I live will I | praise the Lord:

Yea | as long as I have any being I will sing praises | unto my God.

O put | not your trust in princes nor in any | child of man: For | there | is no help in them.

For when | the breath of man goeth forth he shall turn again | to his earth: And | then | all his thoughts perish.

Bless-ed | is he that hath the God of Jacob | for his help: And | whose hope is | in the Lord his God.

Who made | heaven and earth, the sea and all that | therein is: Who | keepeth his | promise for ever.

Who help-|eth them to right that | suffer wrong: Who\_ || feedeth the hungry.

The Lord | looseth men out | of prison: The | Lord giveth | sight to the blind.

The Lord | helpeth them that | are fallen: The | Lord | careth for the righteous.

The Lord | careth for the strangers; he defendeth the fatherless | and widow:

As | for the way of the ungodly, he turneth | it upside down.

The Lord | thy God O Zion shall be King for | evermore: And | throughout | all gene-rations.

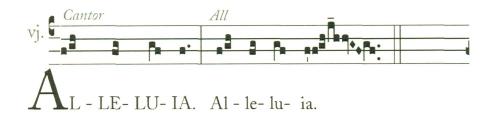
THE EPISTLE Hebrews 9.24-28

#### A READING from the Letter to the Hebrews

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

V. The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God.



ALLELUIA. ALLELUIA. O give thanks unto the Lord and call upon his Name: tell the people what things he hath done. ALLELUIA.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 12.38-44

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO SAINT MARK R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

V. The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon The Rector

THE NICENE CREED (people stand)

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.

A LMIGHTY 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

A LMIGHTY 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 (people stand)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Sung by Cantor & Choir

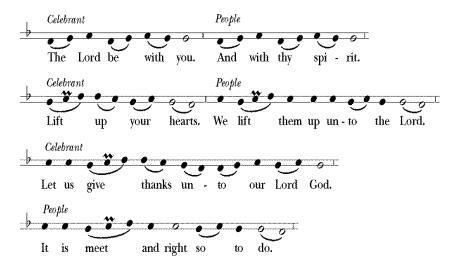
The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: a broken and contrite heart O God shalt thou not despise.

THE OFFERTORY, HYMNAL 656

Blest are the pure in heart

Franconia

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Celebrant sings the Proper Preface

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT, HYMNAL S-113 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." \(\mathbf{H}\)

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." \( \mathbf{H} \)

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.

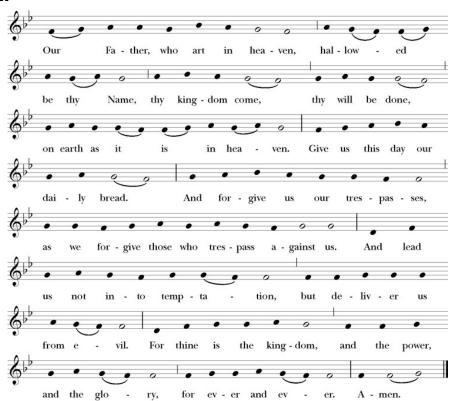
And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins,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



## THE FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE AGNUS DEI, HYMNAL S-157

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 bu 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 Cantor & Choir

They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house: and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures; as out of the river.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

O come ye servants of the Lord

Christopher Tye (ca. 1505-1573)

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 526

Let saints on earth in concert sing

Dundee

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY:** 

Finale fr. Sonata 6

Domenico Scarlatti (1651-1690)

#### MINISTERS OF TODAY'S LITURGY

Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Thomas J. Pettigrew, Rector

Master of Ceremonies: David Kennison

Organists: Dr. Brian J. Taylor, Joan Pearson

Cantor: Tarik Wareh
Thurifer: Chris Henry
Crucifer: Daniel Miess

Acolytes: Anne Kennison, J. J. Moran Greeters: Gloria Kishton, Barb Wengrovius

Lector: David Kennison

Counters: Rich Unger, Kevin Decker

Altar Guild: Barb Wengrovius

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, Ruth A., Francis C., Don Ingram, Suzy, Richard, Abby, Luca Taylor, Destiny & Chris Taylor, Stephanie Bahr, Hooter Zimmerman, Eric, Pam, Sally, Linda S., Scott G., Sondra Lee, Robert, Linda, Michael, Jim, Crystal, Salli V., Mary Catherine, Susan, Kathleen Rose, Gwen, Alex, Craig, Alan, Doug

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**: Elizabeth Waller (11), Nancy Near, Joan Basarab, Anthony Nigro (14) **Birthdays**: Ava Weakley (10), Cathy Gruyters (11) Olivia Jaquith, Robert Lemmerman (13), Tara Forshaw (14), Nancy Angus (15), Olivia McCloskey (16)

Baptismal Anniversaries: Wedding Anniversaries:

# SERVICES THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 10 — 10:00 a.m.— Sung Mass — Pentecost 25

Parish Brunch follows in the Great Hall.

NO WEEKDAY SERVICES OR CLASSES THIS WEEK. FATHER TOM IS ON RETREAT.

Sunday, November 17 — 10:00 a.m.— Sung Mass — Pentecost 26

Sunday, November 17 — 5:00 p.m. — Choral Evensong

**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.

**PARISH BRUNCH** Please join us for our bi-monthly parish brunch and forum after Mass in the Great Hall.

# Parish Life & Beyond...

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** — There is no Sunday School class today so that children may join their families for the parish brunch.

**TODAY IS "LITTLE RED WAGON" SUNDAY** when we receive non-perishable food for the Sycarmore Collaborative food pantry. Please leave your contributions at the back of the church. They will be blessed at Mass and then taken to the pantry for distribution to their clients.

**RECTOR AWAY THIS WEEK** — There will be no weekday services or classes this week as our Rector will be at the Diocesan Priests Retreat.

## **Next Sunday**

**THE ROSARY** — The Society of Mary will gather at 9:15 a.m. next Sunday in the Lady Chapel to pray The Rosary. All are invited to join in this devotion in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**ALL ON THE SAME PAGE BOOK CLUB** — The St. George's Book Club is now reading *Cloud Cuckoo Land* by Anthony Doerr. Louisa Carr suggested the novel, which ties together seemingly unrelated stories from ancient times, current day, and the future. The unifying threads are heroism, survival, and respect for the written word. All are welcome to join the discussion next Sunday after Mass in the Howe Library at the back of the Great Hall.

**CHORAL EVENSONG** — Also next Sunday we anticipate our celebration of the Thanksgiving holiday with a Choral Evensong offered by the St. Cecilia Choir at 5:00 p.m. Our guest speaker for this service will be Amaury Tanon Santos, Executive Director of the Sycamore Collaborative. Pre-service organ music begins at 4:45 p.m.

# **Looking Ahead**

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES** — As you begin to make your plans for celebrating the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, here are the principal liturgies for Christmastide.

Tuesday, December 24th — Family Christmas Service: Low Mass with carols — 4:00 p.m. Lady Chapel

Tuesday, December 24th — Solemn Mass for Christmas Eve — 10:00 p.m. High Altar

Carol Concert precedes the Mass at 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 25th — Sung Mass for Christmas Day — 11:00 a.m. High Altar Sunday, January 5th — A Feast of Lights for the Eve of the Epiphany — 5:00 p.m. High Altar

# **Outreach**

**LOAVES AND FISHES**, the emergency feeding program that operates out of St. Francis Mission in Albany, is in need of volunteers to serve lunch on Saturday, November 30th. This is an approximately three hour commitment to set up and serve lunch to those in need. For more information speak with Sue Hartz or Fr. Tom.

**SALVATION ARMY BELLRINGERS** — Saturday, December 14th, is when St. George's Church takes its turn as Salvation Army bellringers at the Market 32 on Eastern Avenue here in Schenectady. A sign-up sheet is in the back for those who wish to volunteer, or one can go to the link on our church's website and sign up there. For more information speak with Jon Pearson.

## **Around the Diocese**

**PARADISE IN RECOVERY** — Christ the King Center will be offering a retreat for those in a 12-step recovery program or those in need of a 12 step program. This retreat, *Paradise in Recovery: Feeling God's Grace* will be offered this coming weekend, November 15-17, by The Rev'd Canon Brian P. Nordwick. For more information or to register for the retreat go to ctkcenter.org/events.

**PRAYER LIST** — If you have a name that you would like added to the prayer list please email the church office at office@StGeorgesSchenectady.org and we will insure that this person will be remembered in the prayers.

