

ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

in the heart of the Historic Stockade District

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PROPER 22-C - 5 OCTOBER 2025

LITURGY OF THE PRESANTIFIED - RITE I, 10AM

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

MASS SETTING

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Angelus

Leon Boellmann (1862-1897)

THE PREPARATION OF SACRED MINISTERS IN THE LADY CHAPEL

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

THE OPENING HYMN, HYMN 411 O bless the Lord, my soul!

St. Thomas (Williams)

THE INTROIT

Sung by the Cantor & Choir

I will call upon the Lord: so shall I be saved from my enemies. Ps. They confronted me in the day of my disaster:
but the Lord was my support. Glory be

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 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.

Officiant The Lord be with you. *People* And with thy spirit. *Officiant* Let us pray.

ALmighty and Everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear and we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSON

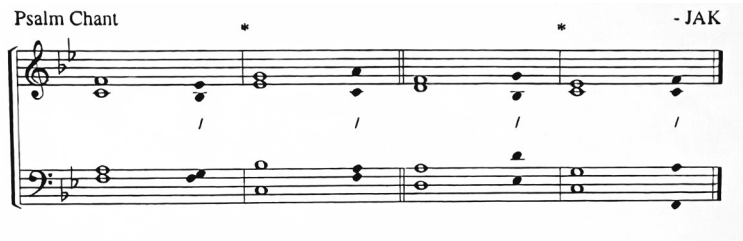
Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

A READING from the Book of Habakkuk

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous-- therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

V. The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God



THE GRADUAL

Sung by all

Psalm 37.1-10

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evil-**doers**; *
do not be jealous of those who do **wrong**.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the **grass**, *
and like the green grass fade a-**way**.
- 3 Put your trust in the LORD and do **good**; *
dwell in the land and feed on its **riches**.
- 4 Take delight in the **LORD**, *
and he shall give you your heart's de-**sire**.
- 5 Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in **him**, *
and he will bring it to **pass**.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the **light** *
and your just dealing as the **noontday**.
- 7 Be still before the **LORD** *
and wait patiently for **him**.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who **prosper**s, *
the one who succeeds in evil **schemes**.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage a-**lone**; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to **evil**.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut **off**, *
but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the **land**.

THE EPISTLE

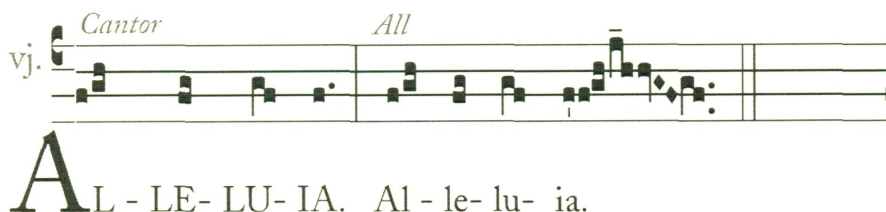
2 Timothy 1:1-14

A READING from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful

to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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



Alleluia. **Alleluia.** The Lord is my strength and my shield: My heart trusts in him. **Alleluia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 16.19-31

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

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

V. The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Deacon Abigail Bee

THE NICENE CREED

(people stand)

I BELIEVE 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 CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Deacon: 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 COLLECT AFTER THE CONFESSION

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; 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 & Choir

Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: Be thou faithful unto death; and I will give thee a crown of life.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Lord, I trust thee

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

THE OFFERTORY, HYMN 389

Let us with a gladsome mind

Monkland

THE HOLY COMMUNION

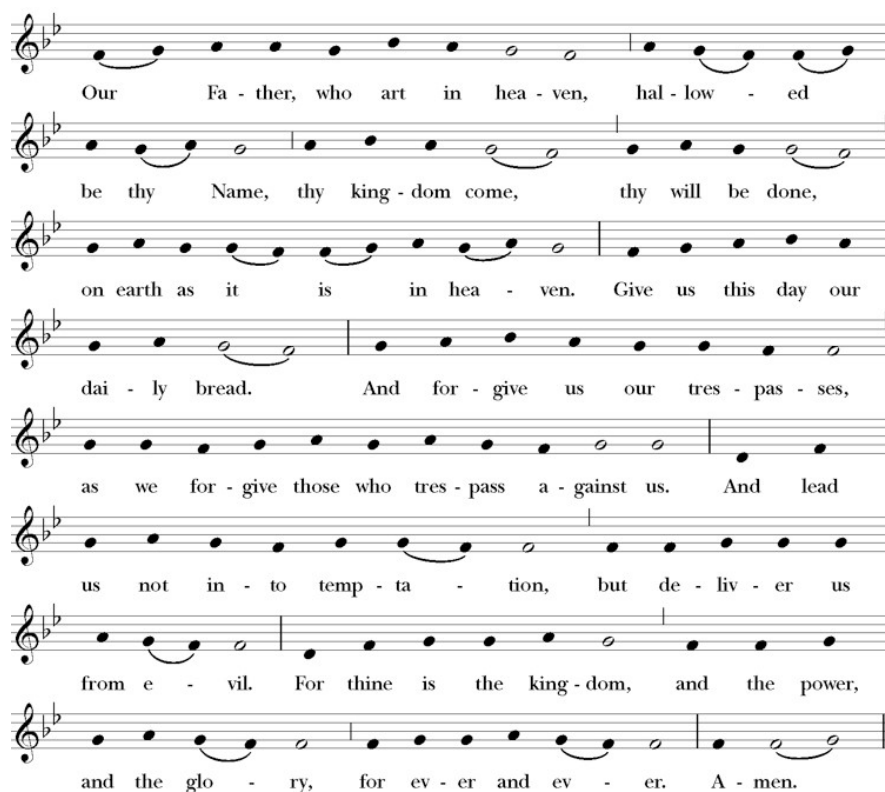
In the Episcopal Church, our normative manner of worship is the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist presided over by a priest or bishop. When a priest is not available, the bishop may, at their discretion, authorize a deacon to distribute Holy Communion to the congregation from the reserved Sacrament.

Since a priest is not available today, the Eucharistic Elements which you will receive today have been consecrated at a Mass (Holy Eucharist) celebrated by a priest at some earlier time (giving the name to the service: Liturgy of the Presanctified). As such, the second part of the service today differs from the normal Sunday liturgy of the Holy Eucharist (The Mass). There is no consecration of the Eucharist Elements, so the Eucharistic Prayer, or Canon of the Mass, and the Fraction, or Breaking of the Bread are omitted. The Deacon will bring the pre-consecrated elements from the Tabernacle and place them on the Altar during the Offertory Hymn. After the hymn is sung, the Lord's Prayer is offered.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sung by All

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



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 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 & Choir

These are they which came out of great tribulation: the Lamb shall feed them; and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters.

THE COMMUNION, HYMN 660

O Master let me walk with thee

Maryton

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 DISMISSAL

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

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

THE RETIRING PROCESSION HYMN 397

Now thank we all our God

Nun danket alle Gott

CLOSING VOLUNTARY:

Postlude

Leon Boellman (1862-1897)

MINISTERS OF TODAY'S LITURGY

Officiant & Preacher:	The Reverend Abigail Bee
Master of Ceremonies:	David Kennison
Organists:	Dr. Brian J. Taylor, Joan Pearson
Cantor:	Joan Pearson
Thurifer:	Christopher Henry
Boat:	James Smigelski
Crucifer:	Paul Smigelski
Acolytes:	Eric Bassant, Daniel Miess
Greeters:	Carol Gaige, Meg Falco
Lector:	Daniel Miess
Counters:	Paul Smigelski, Kim Polner
Altar Guild:	Sandee Hughes
Sacristans:	David & Anne Kennison

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

The Sick and those in need: Gabriella Rose, Katie, Chase, Pedro, Isabella, Dan Bornt, Dinorah Jimenez, Lula Fite, Nancy, Karen Perretta, K. C. Hersey, Sharon A. Wemtle, Lorna, Mike T., Richard, Abigail, Suzanne, Ann, Josh, Vernon-Frederic Decker, Den, Sherrie, Ann-Marie, Lynn Paska, Larry, Robbie, Aubrey, Tamara, Sean, Mtr. Lisa Schoonmaker, Gwen

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: Richard Alba, Tai Burkholder

Birthdays: David Kennison (6), Grant Jaquith (8)

Baptismal Anniversaries: Reagan Tyner (5)

Wedding Anniversaries: Dan & Amy Machold (7)

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 5 — 10:00 a.m. — Liturgy of the Word with Communion – Pentecost 17 — High Altar
Coffee Hour follows in Cranmer House.

Tuesday, October 7 — 8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer — Votive of the Blessed Virgin Mary — Lady Chapel
Lectionary Study Group follows in Cranmer House at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 8 — 9:00 a.m. — Low Mass — Votive Requiem — All Souls Chapel

Thursday, October 9 — NO MASS ON THIS NIGHT

Friday, October 10 — NO MASS ON THIS DAY

Sunday, October 12 — 10:00 a.m. Solemn High Mass — Pentecost 18 — High Altar

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.

THE REST ROOM is available in Cranmer House. A key is necessary to get in. Please ask a Greeter who will happily assist you.

COFFEE HOUR Please join us for coffee hour after Mass in Cranmer House. Snacks, along with hot and cold drinks are available during this time of fellowship.

Parish Life and Beyond

ALBANY BLOOMS — We continue this week with our third Albany Blooms class on spirituality. Jonathan Kimmel of the Cathedral of All Saints returns to talk about *lectio divina*. The class meets on Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. in Cranmer House

CHURCH SCHOOL — Our next Church School class for students in 1st through 6th grade will be October 12th. Students will continue with their workbooks on the Holy Eucharist. Older students are invited to assist.

LITTLE WAGON SUNDAY, when we collect non-perishable food for the Sycamore Collaborative Food Pantry, is next Sunday, October 12th. Contributions may be left at the back of the church. They will be blessed at Mass and then taken to the pantry for distributions to their clients.

CONFIRMATION CLASS — The Right Reverend Jeremiah Williamson, Tenth Bishop of Albany, will make his triennial visitation to St. George's Church on Sunday, December 14th, the Third Sunday of Advent. During his visit Bishop Williamson will be the celebrant of the Holy Eucharist and preacher. He will also administer the Sacrament of Confirmation, and receive into the Episcopal Church any one who has been confirmed in another church with Apostolic Succession (Roman Catholic, Orthodox, etc.). If you are 12 years of age or older, and have not been confirmed, or have been confirmed in another denomination, you should be confirmed when Bishop Williamson comes. Anyone who wishes to be confirmed (Adult or youth) will need to attend Confirmation Classes which will be held on Sundays, following Mass during coffee hour. The Dates of the Confirmation Classes will be: October 19 & 26, November 2, 16, & 23, and December 7. **If you are unsure if you need to be Confirmed or received, please speak to a member of the clergy.**

Looking Ahead

COMPLINE — Compline will be chanted by the St. Cecilia Choir on Tuesday, October 21st, at 7:30 p.m. Compline is the last office of prayer during the day. The choir will chant it in a similar fashion as monks, nuns and others have done for centuries. It is a lovely ending to the day as we offer our last word to God.

BOOK CLUB — England, WWII. The men are called to fight, but life goes on at home, so the women keep calm and carry on! The book is *The Chilbury Ladies' Choir* by Jennifer Ryan, and discussion takes place November 16 during coffee hour. If you like a mystery, blended with historical fiction, wrapped in drama, and leavened with a touch of romance and even a bit of humor, you won't want to miss it.

ALL SOULS REQUIEM MASS — On Tuesday, November 4th. We will have our annual Requiem Mass at 7:00 p.m. If you have names of departed loved ones for whom you would like prayers offered, please submit those names by email to the office at secretary@stgeorgesschenectady.org

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.

PARISH MINISTRY SCHEDULES POSTED ONLINE — The most recent schedule of greeters, lectors, counters, and altar guild is published online. If you are interested in serving as a lector, greeter, counter, or acolyte, please speak to Fr. Pettigrew or email him at rector@StGeorgesSchenectady.org for more information.

SHAPE NOTE SINGING — All are welcome to experience the joy of singing together the beautiful a cappella harmonies and stirring songs of the Sacred Harp, a tune book and hymnal published in Georgia in 1844 and used in community singing throughout the world. We sing in the Great Hall on Saturday afternoons from 1-3:30pm. For schedule updates or more information, please contact Tarik Wareh or visit www.albanysacredharp.org

ONLINE GIVING — If you would prefer to make a donation or your regular offering electronically, please use the QR code provided. You will also find a link to PayPal on our parish website, www.StGeorgesSchenectady.com. St. George's is currently considering other means for online and electronic giving. We would like to hear your feedback about having this as an additional option for giving to St. George's Church. Please send your thoughts to Rector@StGeorgesSchenectady.org

