

**The Holy Eucharist: Rite II**  
**October 13, 2024 – The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**  
**10:00 am**  
**St. James Episcopal Church, Woodstock, Vermont**

Prelude:

Dr. James E. Lorenz, Director of Music

**Hymn 475 God Himself Is With Us (*Tysk*)**

1. God himself is with us;  
let us all adore him,  
and with awe appear before him.  
God is here within us;  
souls in silence fear him,  
humbly, fervently draw near him.  
Now his own who have known  
God, in worship lowly,  
yield their spirits wholly.

2. Gladly, Lord, we offer  
thine to be for ever,  
soul and life and each endeavor.  
Help us to surrender  
earth's deceitful treasures,  
pride of life, and sinful pleasures:  
thou alone shalt be known  
Lord of all our being,  
life's true way decreeing.

3. Though pervades all things;  
let thy radiant beauty  
light mine eyes to see my duty.  
As the tender flowers  
eagerly unfold them,  
to the sunlight calmly hold them,  
so let me quietly  
in thy rays imbue me;  
let thy light shine through me.

4. Come, abide within me;  
let my soul, like Mary,  
be thine earthly sanctuary.  
Come, indwelling Spirit,  
with transfiguring splendor;  
love and honor will I render.  
Where I go here below,  
let me bow before thee,  
know thee, and adore thee.

**The Word of God**

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
*People* And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*The Celebrant may say*

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

*Amen.*

# Gloria in Excelsis (*The Sewanee Service* - Malcolm Archer)

## Gloria

Con moto ♩ = 128

*f*  
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

5  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, — heaven - ly King, al -

9  
migh - ty God and Fath - er, we wor - ship you, we —

12  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

17  
*mf*  
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fath - er, Lord God, Lamb of God, you

21  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

26  
*mp* *f*  
right hand of the Fath - er: — re - ceive our prayer. — For

32  
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the

37  
Most High, Je - sus Christ, — with the Ho - ly — Spi - rit, in the

41

glo - ry of God the Fath - er. A - men, A - men, — men. —

## The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant says to the people*

*People*                   The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*               Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People*   **Amen.**

## First Lesson: Job 23:1-9, 16-17

Job said:

"Today also my complaint is bitter;  
his hand is heavy despite my groaning.  
Oh, that I knew where I might find him,  
that I might come even to his dwelling!  
I would lay my case before him,  
and fill my mouth with arguments.  
I would learn what he would answer me,  
and understand what he would say to me.  
Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power?  
No; but he would give heed to me.  
There an upright person could reason with him,  
and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.  
"If I go forward, he is not there;  
or backward, I cannot perceive him;  
on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him;  
I turn to the right, but I cannot see him.  
God has made my heart faint;  
the Almighty has terrified me;

If only I could vanish in darkness,  
and thick darkness would cover my face!"

**Psalm 22:1-15 (BCP, page 610)**

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? \*  
and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; \*  
by night as well, but I find no rest.
- 3 Yet you are the Holy One, \*  
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our forefathers put their trust in you; \*  
they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5 They cried out to you and were delivered; \*  
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man, \*  
scorned by all and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; \*  
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,
- 8 "He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; \*  
let him rescue him, if he delights in him."
- 9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, \*  
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.
- 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; \*  
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.
- 11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, \*  
and there is none to help.
- 12 Many young bulls encircle me; \*  
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
- 13 They open wide their jaws at me, \*  
like a ravening and a roaring lion.
- 14 I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; \*  
my heart within my breast is melting wax.
- 15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; \*  
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.

## Second Lesson: Hebrews 5:1-10

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

## Sequence Hymn 655 O Jesus, I Have Promised (Nyland)

1 O Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end:  
be thou for ever near me,  
my Master and my friend;  
I shall not fear the battle  
if thou art by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway,  
if thou wilt be my guide.

2 O let me hear thee speaking  
in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion,  
the murmurs of self-will;

O speak to reassure me,  
to hasten or control;  
O speak, and make me listen,  
thou guardian of my soul.

3 O Jesus, thou hast promised  
to all who follow thee,  
that where thou art in glory  
there shall thy servant be;  
and, Jesus I have promised  
to serve thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow,  
my Master and my friend.

## The Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and

said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

***People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

**The Sermon: The Rev. Amy Spagna**

**The Nicene Creed (BCP, page 358)**

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,

and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
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, Form III (BCP, page 387)**

#### *The Leader and People pray responsively*

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;  
**People:** *That we all may be one.*

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

Leader: We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect;  
Shannon, our own bishop; and all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
**People:** *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
**People:** *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

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

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

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest;

*People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**Confession of Sin (BCP, page 360)**

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*



## The Peace

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* And also with you.

## The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: *Lord, For Thy Tender Mercies' Sake* - Richard Farrant

## The Doxology: Hymn 380, vs. 3 (Old 100<sup>th</sup>)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A (BCP, page 361)

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

	The Lord be with you.
<b>People</b>	<b>And also with you.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<b>People</b>	<b>We lift them to the Lord.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<b>People</b>	<b>It is right to give our thanks and praise.</b>

*Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

*Of God the Father*

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new  
life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*or the following  
Of God the Son*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord: who on the first day of the week, overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

*or the following*  
*Of God the Holy Spirit*

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People (The Sewanee Service – Malcolm Archer)*

Moderato ♩ = 84

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord,  
God of pow'r and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord, the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus

Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.  
**AMEN.**

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

*People and Celebrant*

**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.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.  
Then may be sung or said*

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

## Fraction Anthem: *Agnus Dei* (*The Sewanee Service* – Malcolm Archer)

Gently Flowing ♩ = 72

*p*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the

5  
sins of the world; have mer-cy up - on us.

11  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world; have mer-cy up -

16  
*mf*  
on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

21  
*p* *pp*  
sins of the world; grant us your peace.

## The Invitation to Holy Communion

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and may add* Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Those unable to receive communion in person today are invited to say the following Prayer of Spiritual Communion.*

*In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshiping there, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory.*

*And particularly for the blessings given me.... I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come*

*into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.*

*(SOURCE: <https://news.forwardmovement.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Spiritual-Communion.pdf>)*

### **Postcommunion Prayer (BCP, page 365)**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, may bless the people*

### **Hymn 680 O God, Our Help in Ages Past (St. Anne)**

1 O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home:

2 under the shadow of thy throne  
thy saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone,  
and our defense is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood,  
or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting thou art God,  
to endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in thy sight  
are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night  
before the rising sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
bears all our years away;  
they fly, forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the opening day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guide while life shall last,  
and our eternal home.

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People    Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: *Toccata on "St. Anne"* - Alfred Fedak

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