

**The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 24**

St. John's Episcopal Church, Ithaca NY
October 20, 2024 Year B

10:30 AM

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Prelude Sarabande

Seth Bingham (1882–1972)

***Processional Hymn** Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing with Gladness (*Finnian*)

Hymnal #492

***Opening Acclamation**

BCP 355

***Collect For Purity**

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**

Hymnal #S-278

The Collect of the Day

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. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Job 38:1–7; 34–41

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

“Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, ‘Here we are?’ Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? Who has the wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together?

“Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul; *
 O Lord my God, how excellent is your
 greatness!
 you are clothed with majesty and splendor.
- 2 You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak *
 and spread out the heavens like a curtain.
- 3 You lay the beams of your chambers in the
 waters above; *
 you make the clouds your chariot;
 you ride on the wings of the wind.
- 4 You make the winds your messengers *
 and flames of fire your servants.
- 5 You have set the earth upon its foundations, *
 so that it never shall move at any time.
- 6 You covered it with the Deep as with a mantle; *
 the waters stood higher than the mountains.
- 7 At your rebuke they fled; *
 at the voice of your thunder they hastened
 away.
- 8 They went up into the hills and down to the
 valleys beneath, *
 to the places you had appointed for them.
- 9 You set the limits that they should not pass; *
 they shall not again cover the earth.
- 25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! *
 in wisdom you have made them all;
 the earth is full of your creatures.
- 37b Hallelujah!

The Epistle Reading**Hebrews 5:1-10**

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***Gradual** O Holy City, Seen of John (*Morning Song*)

Hymnal #583 vv. 1-2

***The Gospel Reading**

Mark 10:35-45

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

Glory be to you, Lord Christ.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will

be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

***Sequence** O Holy City, Seen of John (*Morning Song*)

Hymnal #583 vv. 3–4

The Sermon

The Rev. Kit Tobin

***The Nicene Creed**

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**

Let us pray to God, who holds the world in his marvelous light, responding to each petition, “Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.”

+ For those who serve the Church in the holy order of deacons, that they may proclaim Christ’s message to the world with courage and conviction, and challenge the Church to be the Christ in the community; let us pray.

Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.

+ That we may rise from the gravity of personal sufferings, and see in our wounds the healing grace of Jesus, who calls us to be his disciples of blessing in every place where darkness obscures the gift of love; let us pray.

Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.

+ For our sister and brother churches throughout the Anglican Communion, that together with them, we may reflect the humility of Christ in our common ministry and mission; let us pray.

Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.

+ For the beauty of creation as the seasons take their turn; may we be good stewards of these blessings, and use natural resources with care and conservation; let us pray.

Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.

+ In thanksgiving for the witness of those who have given us a vision of servant ministry, and who now reside in the community of saints; may we be guided by their life and example; let us pray.

Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.

+ In thanksgiving for indigenous peoples in every land; may they receive the honor and respect that is their due, and the hope of a more abundant life; let us pray.

Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.

The prayers of the faithful are as incense rising to the heavens, and so we continue our thanksgivings and petitions.

Almighty God of mercy and compassion, you sent your Son Jesus to teach us the things that make for peace; help the leaders of this world to lay down their weapons of war. Help those who make decisions on behalf of the people of Israel and of Gaza to safeguard human life and flourishing and turn away from death and destruction. Help us living in the US to use our liberty and safety to speak on behalf of those who live in deprivation and danger, and save us from denial and complicity in the evils we deplore, and as we labor, give comfort, strength, and safety to all of your children in the land we call Holy. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, and especially for:

Joan	Gerald	Avery	Mary Beth	Nick	Rebekah
Charles	Cece	Jane	Jack	Penny	Libby
Wes	Theodore	Chris	Julianne	Ann	Joanne
Virginia	Lorraine	Carole	Jack	David	Olivia
Shirley	Edith	Amelia	Lisa	Cheryl	Roger
Linda	Kathryn	Susan	Ira	Isabella	Sara
Jim	Sarah	Jeff	Jan	Shawn	Denis

For those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week:

Matthew Stedinger, Sally Clayton, Sarah Anderson

Confession Of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation.

Holy and merciful God, we confess that we have failed to honor you by rightly claiming our kinship with all your creatures. We have walked heavily on your earth, overused and wasted its resources, taken for granted its beauty and abundance, and treated its inhabitants unjustly, holding future generations hostage

to our greed. Have mercy on us and forgive us our sin. Renew in us the resolve to keep and conserve your earth as you desire and intend, with grateful and compassionate hearts, through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

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**

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

Announcements & Welcome

Offertory Sentence

Anthem Like as the Hart Desireth the Waterbrooks Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

***Presentation Hymn** Wherefore, O Father (*Lobet den Herren*) **Hymnal #338**

***The Great Thanksgiving** Expanded Language Prayer A

Celebrant: 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 our thanks and praise.

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

Holy, holy, holy (*Sanctus*) **Hymnal #S-128**

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had fallen into sin and became 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 maker of all.

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

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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, Jesus 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:

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ.

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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Fraction Anthem

Michael McCarthy (b. 1955)



The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The Communion of the People

All people are invited to the Lord's Table.

Eucharist will be distributed in the center aisle. Please come forward in a single line to receive.

You may either intinct your wafer or you may drink from the common chalice after consuming the wafer.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Communion Music Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord (Song 46)

Hymnal #338

Stanzas 1 & 8 ALL;

Stanzas 2, 4, 6 WOMEN;

Stanzas 3, 5, 7 MEN

Post Communion Prayer

Create in us a new heart and a new vision, O God, that the gifts of your Spirit may work in us and renew the face of the earth. May we be one with you so that our work is yours and your work is ours. Lead us to transform our lives to reflect your glory in Creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior who is alive with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

***Recessional** Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus! (*In Babilone*)

Hymnal #495

Dismissal

Postlude Voluntary

Seth Bingham

Crucifer: Chris Way

Acolyte: Gary Anderson

Liturgical Ministers: Muriel Everhart, Gwen Freeman, Margaret Johnson

Virtual Vergers John Jackson, Amber Massa

This morning we welcome The Rev. Kit Tobin as our celebrant and guest preacher.

St. John's extends a warm welcome to visitors!

May you experience the Lord's presence during worship. Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering plate and stay for coffee in the parish hall after the service.

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Forward Day by Day for **November, December, and January** is available on the table in the rear of the church.

Please Join Us for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall following the service.

Candles and Flowers: If you wish to give candles or Sunday flowers in memory of a loved one, or to celebrate a special occasion, please call the church office (607-273-6532).

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY MEMORIAL FLOWERS: All Saints' Sunday will be observed

November 3rd: Anyone wishing to donate toward the flowers for All Saints' day, please send in your donation to the office with the memo “**All Saints' Day flowers**” and note any name(s) you wish to have listed on the Necrology list. Please email, drop a list in the offering plate, or call the parish office with names you wish to have included by **Wednesday, October 30th**.

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