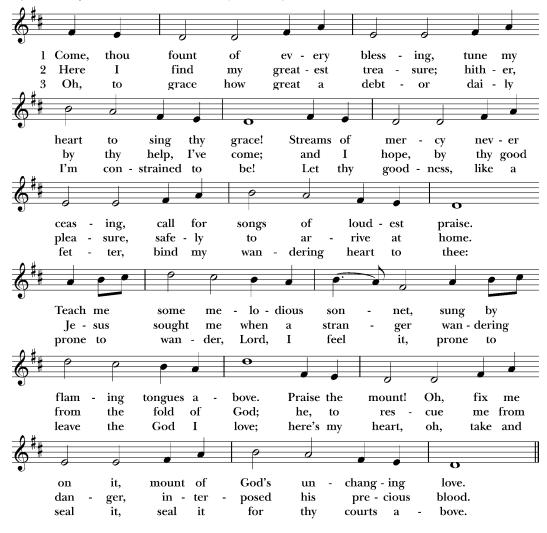
ORDINARY TIME: PROPER 21 | HOLY EUCHARIST

Jesus insists that actions, not words, are the ultimate sign of obedience.

About this Gathering

Ordinary Time, or the "green, great, growing season", stretches from the end of May to November. The season's steady, week-by-week pattern echoes the life of Christ-followers as we strive to live out our baptism vows and grow into the likeness of Jesus the Christ. Please lift your voice in hymns, worship and prayer!

Hymn 686 | Come, thou font of every blessing



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MASKS & GATHERINGS
"So we may be exiting the public health emergency, but we haven't left the public health threat."
As Covid emergency ends for the WHO & USA, the response shifts to peacetime mode. So, while masks at Gatherings are now optional, St. Mary's asks that for the protection of others, people with cold or other symptoms to please wear a mask or worship online until symptoms clear.



THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Song of Praise | Gloria, gloria, gloria | Sung twice. Your choice of language.



Collect

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Ezekiel defends God's honor and righteousness and offers comfort and hope to the exiles.

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel.

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins who shall die. Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed, they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-8

A psalm of personal lament.

Let us read Psalm 25 responsively.

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *

let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

²Let none who look to you be put to shame; *

let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

³Show me your ways, O LORD, *

and teach me your paths.

⁴Lead me in your truth and teach me, *

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁵Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *

for they are from everlasting.

⁶Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *

remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁷Gracious and upright is the LORD; *

therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8He guides the humble in doing right *

and teaches his way to the lowly.

Philippians 2:1-13

Paul gives an exhortation to harmony and humility within the community of believers.

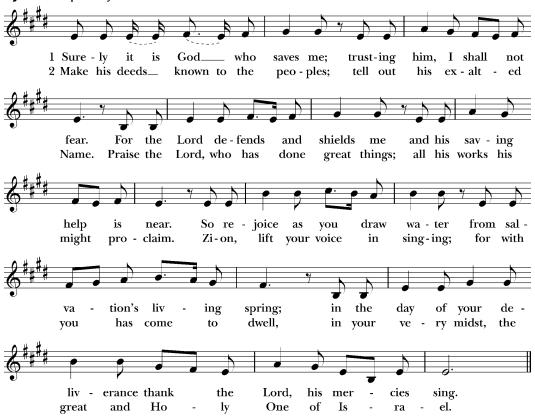
A reading from Paul's letter to the church in Philippi.

If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence but much more now in my absence, work on your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 679 | Surely it is God who saves me



Matthew 21:23-32

Jesus defends his ministry of inviting into God's reign the outcast from Jewish society.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why, then, did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd, for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not,' but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same, and he answered, 'I go, sir,' but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him, and even after you saw it you did not change your minds and believe him.

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon





Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

Prayers of the People

Brothers and sisters, in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Humbly then, let us approach our God, saying, "To will and work for your good pleasure, O Savior, enable us."

Christ Jesus, strengthen our tongues to declare you as Savior of our lives. May we, your Church, glorify your Heavenly Parent in word and deed.

Silence

To will and work for your good pleasure,

O Savior, enable us.

Christ Jesus, you chose not to exploit your equality with God, but humbled yourself to be with us. Give us your heart for the marginalized and poor. And may all people, especially those in power, follow your example of humility.

Silence

To will and work for your good pleasure,

O Savior, enable us.

Christ Jesus, by your birth in human likeness you blessed all of creation. Remind us that your feet have trod our soil and tasted our waters. Give us the will to care for this precious planet.

Silence

To will and work for your good pleasure,

O Savior, enable us.

Christ Jesus, you rule the world with love and compassion. Give to our leaders compassion and vision that the peoples of the earth might live as neighbors, looking out for each other's interests.

Silence

To will and work for your good pleasure,

O Savior, enable us.

Christ Jesus, you became obedient to the point of death that we might have abundant life. Work marvels in the lives of the sick and sorrowful. May they recount to generations the wonderful deeds you have done in their lives.

The people add their petitions, intercessions & thanksgivings followed by silence

To will and work for your good pleasure,

O Savior, enable us.

Generous God, living is Christ and dying is gain. May those who now rest from their labors find their comfort in you. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

The people add their remembrances, followed by silence

To will and work for your good pleasure,

O Savior, enable us.

In the name of Jesus we pray, To will and work for your good pleasure,

O Savior, enable us.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

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

Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

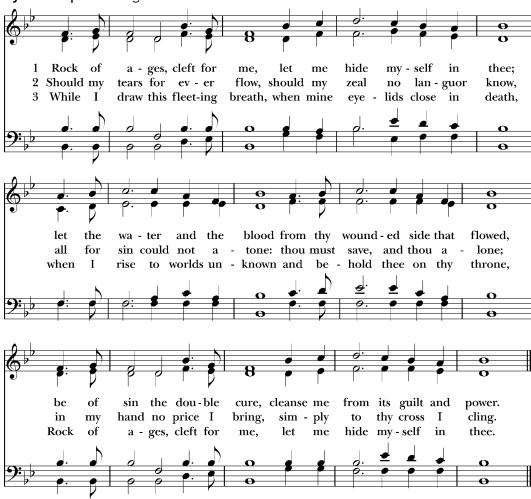
HOLY COMMUNION | PLEASE SHARE COMMUNION WITH US

Following Jesus' prophetic example to welcome everyone to His table, St. Mary's welcomes everyone to take communion with us. So, as Jesus the Christ commands his Church to "Do this for the remembrance of me.", St Mary's gathers in person or remotely to follow this command believing that by the power of the Holy Spirit the Word of God is proclaimed and the bread and wine at the church table and at your home become for us the holy sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ.

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Hymn 685 | Rock of ages cleft for me



The Great Thanksgiving

O Lord our God, yours is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right indeed, it is our joy and our salvation, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your only Son. You are the source of all life and goodness; through your eternal Word you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image;

male and female you created us. When we sinned and turned away you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. By his death on the cross, he made the one perfect sacrifice for the sin of the world and freed us from the bondage of sin. You raised him to life triumphant over death; you exalted him in glory. In him you have made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and life giving Spirit. Therefore with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

WLP 785 | Santo, santo, santo Holy, holy, holy | Sung twice. Your choice of language.



All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father; on the night before he died your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me. After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Glory to you, Lord Christ; your death we show forth; your resurrection we proclaim; your coming we await; Amen! Come Lord Jesus.

Therefore loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ our great high priest. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom. United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise.

Blessing, honor and glory be yours, here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray boldly in our chosen language and voice.

Please pray boldly the Lord's Prayer version of your choice and language. The contemporary version below is optional.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Breaking the Bread & Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Behold what you are.

May we become what we receive.

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven. Amen. I The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation. Amen.

We come forward take the Bread and, for those who choose, the Wine. St. Mary's upholds the Doctrine of Concomitance that the fullness of communion is available by receiving either the holy bread or wine or both.

Sending Prayer

Let us pray together.

Holy God, we thank you for hearing our prayers, feeding us with your word and sacraments and encouraging us in our gathering together. Take us and use us to love and serve you and all people in the power of your Spirit and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our savior. Amen.

Blessing Over the People

God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always.

Hymn 344 | Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing dis - miss Lord. with thy bless - ing; fill our hearts with us and a - dor - a Thanks we tion for thy give Gos - pel's Sa - vior, from the that when thy love shall call us, and peace; let us each, thy love pos - sess ing, joy - ful sound: may the fruits of thy sal - va world a fear death shall ap - pall way, not us, tri - umph deem-ing grace: \mathbf{O} fresh us, in re re lives a - bound: faith-ful, hearts ev our and er o - bey. glad May thy sum - mons to ev - er, O wil - der - ness. re fresh us trav eling through this er faith-ful to thy truth may we be found; reign with thee inend-less day. may ev - er

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.

Thanks be to God.



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