



August 20, 2023

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

*Welcome to*  
St. David's Episcopal Church



# The Word of God

## Processional Hymn

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven** (*Lauda anima*)

**Hymnal 410**

1) Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
to his feet thy tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
evermore his praises sing:  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise the everlasting King.

2) Praise him for his grace and favor  
to his people in distress;  
praise him still the same as ever,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless:  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Glorious in this faithfulness.

3) Father-like he tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame he knows;  
in his hand he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Widely yet his mercy flows.

4) Angels, help us to adore him;  
ye behold him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before him,  
dwellers all in time and space.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise with us the God of grace.

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

**BCP 355**

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be his 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.*

**Glory to God**

*(Canticle 20) (Powell)*

**S 280**

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

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

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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## The Collect

BCP 357

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*Amen.*

## The Lessons

**Old Testament**

**Isaiah 56:1, 6-8**

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,  
for soon my salvation will come,  
and my deliverance be revealed.

<sup>6</sup>And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,  
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,  
and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,  
and hold fast my covenant—

<sup>7</sup>these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;

their burnt offerings and their sacrifices  
will be accepted on my altar;

for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples.

<sup>8</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD,  
    who gathers the outcasts of Israel,  
I will gather others to them  
    besides those already gathered.

*Reader*       The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

## The Psalter

## Psalm 67

<sup>1</sup>May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*  
    **show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.**

<sup>2</sup>Let your ways be known upon earth, \*  
    **your saving health among all nations.**

<sup>3</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
    **let all the peoples praise you.**

<sup>4</sup>Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*  
    **for you judge the peoples with equity  
    and guide all the nations upon earth.**

<sup>5</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
    **let all the peoples praise you.**

<sup>6</sup>The earth has brought forth her increase; \*  
    **may God, our own God, give us his blessing.**

<sup>7</sup>May God give us his blessing, \*  
    **and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.**

## New Testament

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

¶I ask, then, has God rejected his people?

By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2a</sup>God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

<sup>29</sup>For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

<sup>30</sup>Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience,

<sup>31</sup>so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy.

<sup>32</sup>For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

## Sequence Hymn

**How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise, v.1 Hymnal 533**

*(Lyons)*

1) How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!

How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!

O who shall not fear thee, and honor thy Name?

Thou only art holy, thou only supreme.

## The Holy Gospel

Matthew 15:10-28

*Deacon*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People*        Glory to you, Lord Christ.



<sup>10</sup>[Jesus] called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand:<sup>11</sup>it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.”

<sup>12</sup>Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?”

<sup>13</sup>He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. <sup>14</sup>Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.”

<sup>15</sup>But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” <sup>16</sup>Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? <sup>17</sup>Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?

<sup>18</sup>But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles.

<sup>19</sup>For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. <sup>20</sup>These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”

<sup>21</sup>Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon.

<sup>22</sup>Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.”

<sup>23</sup>But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.”

<sup>24</sup>He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”

<sup>25</sup>But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.”

<sup>26</sup>He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.”

<sup>27</sup>She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.”

<sup>28</sup>Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

*Deacon*        The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Sequence Hymn

**How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise, v.2 Hymnal 533**

*(Lyons)*

2) To nations of earth thy light shall be shown;  
their worship and vows shall come to thy throne:  
thy truth and thy judgments shall spread all abroad,  
till earth's every people confess thee their God.

## **The Sermon: The Reverend Mike Bye**

### **The Nicene Creed**

**BCP 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 V**

**BCP 389**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and  
be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For Justin, the archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our presiding bishop;  
Ruth, our bishop; Mike, our priest, for all bishops and other ministers,  
and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the mission of the Church, especially Porter Gaud Episcopal School in Charleston, The Church of England, the congregations of St. David's Anglican Church, St. David's Episcopal Church; and St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church; St. David's Episcopal School & Daycare staff and families; and St. Christopher Camp and Conference Center; that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For those in positions of public trust, especially Joe, our president; Henry, our governor; and Andy, our mayor; that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who live and work in the Upper Pee Dee region, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, and those for whom prayers have been requested; that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For our own needs and those of others, we pray to you, O Lord.

*(See Prayer List Insert)*

*Lord, have mercy.*

For our shut-ins, chronically ill and those who live alone, and any we wish to name aloud or in our heart, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed St. David and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

*To you, O Lord our God.*

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **Confession of Sin**

**BCP 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 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.*

*Celebrant*           The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*             And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **The Holy Communion**

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

### **Offertory Hymn**

**All people that on earth do dwell**

**Hymnal 377**

1) All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice:  
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell,  
come ye before him and rejoice.

2) Know that the Lord is God indeed;  
without our aid he did us make:

we are his folk, he doth us feed,  
and for his sheep he doth us take.

3) O enter then his gates with praise,  
approach with joy his courts unto;  
praise, laud, and bless his Name always,  
for it is seemly so to do.

4) For why? the Lord our God is good,  
his mercy is for ever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood,  
and shall from age to age endure.

### **Doxology (*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. Amen

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

#### **Eucharistic Prayer B**

**BCP 367**

*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 him thanks and praise.

*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.



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.

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:

## Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy**

*(Proulx)*

S 125

*Celebrant and People*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be

acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. David and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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*

**BCP 364**

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,  
forever and ever. Amen.

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

All are welcome to receive Communion at St. David's, regardless of denomination or where you find yourself in your spiritual journey. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms across your chest when you come up to the altar, and the priest or Eucharistic minister will offer you a simple blessing.
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*The Celebrant says*

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 ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. *Amen.*

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. *Amen.*

*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 Priest blesses the people, saying*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

## Recessional Hymn

**Thou, whose almighty word** (*Moscow*)

**Hymnal 371**

- 1) Thou, whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
    and, where the Gospel day  
    sheds not its glorious ray,  
    let there be light!
- 2) Thou who didst come to bring  
on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
    sight to the inly blind,  
    now to all humankind,  
    let there be light!
- 3) Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving, holy Dove,  
speed forth thy flight!  
Move on the waters' face  
    bearing the gifts of grace,  
    and, in earth's darkest place,  
    let there be light!
- 4) Holy and bless'd Three,  
glorious Trinity,  
wisdom, love, might;  
boundless as ocean's tide,  
    rolling in fullest pride,  
    through the world, far and wide,  
    let there be light!

## Dismissal

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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## Announcements:

> St. David's Episcopal Church is in the process of becoming a new distribution point for the Chesterfield County Food Share program, which makes boxes of fresh produce available to local citizens. We will need volunteers from among our membership and our community to serve in these roles:

**VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR:** help to recruit volunteers and keep a schedule of who is working.

**GREETER(S):** welcome the customer, get their name and number of boxes ordered.

**LOG KEEPER:** checks type of box and payment type, collects money, runs card through cell phone and prints receipts. No computer work required.

**LOADER(S):** assists with loading the cartons into customers' cars.

Contact Margaret Plettinger-Mitchell with questions (843-910-4594 or [mapm78829419@gmail.com](mailto:mapm78829419@gmail.com)), or contact the Church Office to sign up on the Volunteer List. Watch for further details as we approach the September 7 start date!

> The position of **Sexton** for St. David's Church & School is open. Ms. Mittal Patel has handled this job wonderfully, but her increasing school responsibilities preclude her continuing to serve as Sexton.

The position will require someone to provide janitorial services to the school and the church. We are seeking an individual willing to work 5

afternoons per week beginning at 4pm, working roughly three hours per day. They would be supervised by the school director and the parish administrator.

If you know of someone who may be interested, please have them contact the Church Office.

> St. David's will host the **Pee Dee - Waccamaw Deanery Convocation** with Bishop Ruth on Saturday, September 16, 2023. There will be an opportunity to worship together with representatives from other churches in the deanery, and to enjoy lunch and fellowship. More details to follow.

> Would you like to share a moment of **fellowship** right after the service? Join us right in the foyer between the Sanctuary and the Chapel. Typically, there are light snacks, and there's always good company.

> Follow us on **Facebook: St. David's Episcopal Church, Cheraw, SC.**

> Want to get more involved at **St. David's**? See Fr. Mike or a member of the vestry about becoming a lay reader, assisting at Eucharist, leading the prayers of the people, or joining the altar guild.

> To add someone to our **prayer list**, or make corrections, please contact the church at [cherawepiscopalians@gmail.com](mailto:cherawepiscopalians@gmail.com). To respect their privacy, please ask permission before adding someone to the list.

> The **Church Office** is normally open Monday–Thursday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and at other times as needed. You can call the office at 843-253-5295 or Fr. Mike on his cell, 704-517-6588, or you can reach us by email at [cherawepiscopalians@gmail.com](mailto:cherawepiscopalians@gmail.com).



**ST. DAVID'S**  
**Episcopal Church**  
CHERAW, SOUTH CAROLINA

Welcome! We are very glad that you chose to worship with us today.

As Episcopalians and members of the Anglican Communion, we are a parish family of spiritual seekers who are walking a path, individually and together, to draw closer to our Creator and Maker, whom we choose to call God. Many of us have found that that path lies through a recognition that God is present in all of creation and especially in the life, ministry, death and resurrection of the human incarnation of God in Jesus the Christ. That means for us that all life is part of God, and especially all human beings are part of God, and therefore everyone, regardless of circumstance, is worthy of respect, love, and mercy.

ALL are welcomed here and honored of God.

We invite you to walk your spiritual journey with us, that together we may help each other grow ever closer to The God that is ultimate love.

The Reverend Mike Bye, Priest-in-charge  
Michael Williams, Organist

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