



October 8, 2023

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to
St. David's Episcopal Church

The Word of God

Processional Hymn

Praise to the living God (*Leoni*)

Hymnal 372

1) Praise to the living God!
All prais'd be his Name
who was, and is, and is to be
for ay the same.
The one eternal God
ere aught that now appears:
the first, the last, beyond all thought
his timeless years!

2) Formless, all lovely forms
declare his loveliness;
holy, no holiness of earth
can his express.
Lo, he is Lord of all.
Creation speaks his praise,
and everywhere above, below,
his will obeys.

3) His Spirit floweth free,
high surging where it will:
in prophet's word he spoke of old;
he speaketh still.
Established is his law,
and changeless it shall stand,
deep writ upon the human heart,
on sea, on land.

4) Eternal life hath he
 implanted in the soul;
 his love shall be our strength and stay
 while ages roll.
 Praise to the living God!
 All prais'd be his Name
 who was, and is, and is to be,
 for ay the same.

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)

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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 and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

Old Testament

Isaiah 5:1-7

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹Let me sing for my beloved
my love-song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

²He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

³And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.

⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

⁵And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.
⁶I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalter

Psalm 80:7-14

⁷Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

⁸You have brought a vine out of Egypt; *
you cast out the nations and planted it.

⁹You prepared the ground for it; *
it took root and filled the land.

¹⁰The mountains were covered by its shadow *
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

¹¹You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea *
and its branches to the River.

¹²Why have you broken down its wall, *
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

¹³The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, *
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

¹⁴Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;
behold and tend this vine; *
preserve what your right hand has planted.

New Testament

Philippians 3:4b-14

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

^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more:
⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee;
^{6a}as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ.

⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith.

¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Breathe on me, Breath of God, vv.1-3 (*Nova Vita*)

Hymnal 508

1) Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

2) Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will,
to do or to endure.

3) Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
till all this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:33-46

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesus said,] ³³“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country.

³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another.

³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way.

³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’

³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

⁴⁰Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?”

⁴¹They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

⁴²Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:
‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes’?”

⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom.

⁴⁴The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn

Breathe on me, Breath of God, v.4 (*Nova Vita*)

Hymnal 508

4) Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die;
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

The Sermon: the Reverend Jeff Wallace

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 VI

BCP 392

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world, especially; Joe, our president; Henry, our governor; and Andy, our mayor;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; especially The Episcopal Church on Edisto; the congregations of St. David's Anglican Church, St. David's Episcopal Church; and St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church; and St. David's Episcopal School & Daycare staff and families.

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin, the archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our presiding bishop; Ruth, our bishop; Jeff, our priest, and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially;

(See Prayer List Insert)

We remember also in prayer our shut-ins, chronically ill and those who live alone, and others we name aloud or in our hearts.

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

BCP 360

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

BCP 376

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Psalm 50:14

Offertory Hymn

When I survey the wondrous cross (*Rockingham*)

Hymnal 474

- 1) When I survey the wondrous cross
where the young Prince of Glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2) Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the cross of Christ, my God:
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.
- 3) See, from his head, his hands, his feet
sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4) Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Doxology (*Old 100TH*)

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 A

BCP 361

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy *(Schubert/Proulx)*

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Celebrant and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, _____ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
 in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na
 in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

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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.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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

BCP 363

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

BCP 363

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

BCP 364

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

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.

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.

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

BCP 365

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 blesses the people

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

Hail, thou once despis'd Jesus (*In Babilone*)

Hymnal 495

1) Hail, thou once despis'd Jesus!
Hail, thou Galilean King!
Thou didst suffer to release us;
thou didst free salvation bring.

Hail, thou universal Savior,
bearer of our sin and shame!
By thy merit we find favor:
life is given through thy Name

2) Paschal Lamb, by God appointed,
all our sins on thee were laid:
by almighty love anointed,
thou hast full atonement made.

All thy people are forgiven
through the virtue of thy blood:
opened is the gate of heaven,
reconciled are we with God.

3) Jesus, hail! enthroned in glory,
there for ever to abide;
all the heavenly hosts adore thee,
seated at thy Father's side.
There for sinners thou art pleading:
there thou dost our place prepare;
ever for us interceding,
till in glory we appear.

4) Worship, honor, power, and blessing
thou art worthy to receive;
highest praises, without ceasing,
right it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits,
all your noblest anthems raise;
help to sing our Savior's merits,
help to chant Emmanuel's praise!

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 a new distribution point for the Chesterfield County **FoodShare** program, which makes boxes of fresh produce available every other Thursday to local citizens at reasonable cost. Contact Lobie Hammond or the Church Office to volunteer to help out. Our next delivery day is Thursday, October 19. Here is the schedule through the end of the year:

Order by Monday, 10/16/2023pick up on Thursday, 10/19/2023

Order by Monday, 10/30/2023pick up on Thursday, 11/2/2023

Order by **Friday**, 11/17/2023pick up on **Tuesday**, 11/21/2023

Order by Monday, 12/4/2023pick up on Thursday, 12/7/2023

Order by Monday, 12/18/2023pick up on Thursday, 12/21/2023

◆ The local chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) will host a **gravesite cleaning project** at Evans Mill Cemetery on Wednesday, October 11. All Church members are welcome to participate. Participants are encouraged to wear long pants, long sleeves, a hat and gloves. You may contact Margaret Plettinger-Mitchell at **mapm78829419@gmail.com** for more details.

- ◆ The 2023 South Carolina Jazz Festival (October 19-22, 2023) will culminate in a **Spiritual Music Concert** at St. David's, at 2pm on Sunday, Oct 22nd. Sally Powell is coordinating our role in the event.
- ◆ There is a Photography Exhibit of works by our own Ron Stafford entitled **“A Love Letter to Old St. David's”** at **Burr Gallery** in the Cheraw Community Center, 200 Powe Street, continuing until October 23. Gallery hours are 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday.
- ◆ Follow us on **Facebook: St. David's Episcopal Church, Cheraw, SC.**
- ◆ To add someone to our **Prayer List**, or make updates, please contact **mapm78829419@gmail.com** or **cherawepiscopalians@gmail.com**. To respect 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 you can email:
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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 Jeff Wallace, Priest-in-charge
Michael Williams, Organist

Vestry

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