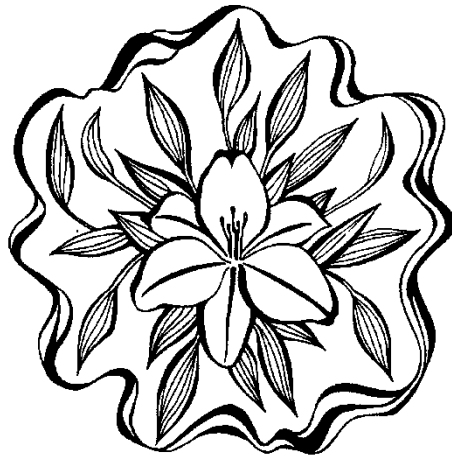


# The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 2024

THE HOLY EUCHARIST (RITE II)

10:00 am



“EPHAPHATHA”

The Church of the Holy Spirit (Episcopal)

Knowing • Loving • Serving  
God + Neighbor

*204 Monument Road  
Orleans, Massachusetts 02653-3512  
(508) 255-0433*

[www.holyspitorleans.org](http://www.holyspitorleans.org)

## The Word of God

### The Prelude

*Andante*

F. Mendelssohn

*Please stand as you are able as the bell is rung.*

### The Opening Hymn 493 O for a thousand tongues to sing

*Azmon*

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

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

### The 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.**

### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### The Lessons

#### A reading from the prophet Isaiah (35:4-7a)

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

*People* The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 146** (*Prayed responsively by half verse*)

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Praise the Lord, O my soul! \*  
**I will praise the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \*  
**for there is no help in them.**
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \*  
**and in that day their thoughts perish.**
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \*  
**whose hope is in the Lord their God;**
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; \*  
**who keeps his promise for ever;**
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, \*  
**and food to those who hunger.**
- 7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;  
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; \*  
**the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;**
- 8 The Lord loves the righteous;  
the Lord cares for the stranger; \*  
**he sustains the orphan and widow,  
but frustrates the way of the wicked.**
- 9 The Lord shall reign forever, \*  
**your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.  
Hallelujah!**

**A reading from the Letter of James (2:1-10, 14-17)**

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able for the sequence hymn and gospel.*

## **The Sequence Hymn 603 When Christ was lifted**

*St. Botolph*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

### **Mark 7:24-37**

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Patrick C. Ward

*Please stand as you are able for the creed; you may sit, stand or kneel for the prayers  
as your personal piety guides you.*

## **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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 for God's people throughout the world, for this gathering, and for all who minister in Christ's name. We remember today in particular those who serve on our Altar Guild.

*(Silence)*

Holy God, by your Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is upheld and sanctified. Receive our prayers, which we offer before you for all peoples of the earth, that in our different occupations and ministries we may serve you with reverence, integrity and delight.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the nations of the earth, for the well-being of all people, and for those in authority. We remember especially Russia and Ukraine, Israel, Gaza and the West Bank, Haiti and Sudan.

*(Silence)*

God of compassion, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who govern the nations of the earth, that justice and peace may increase until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love, and all live in safety.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the anxious, the oppressed, prisoners, the unemployed, and those in any need.

*(Silence)*

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer, we pray also for those who have asked for our prayers: Elizabeth Beattie, Robert Blanchet, Terese Brown, Carolyn Lawrence, Burl Newton, Jennifer Peters, Joan Payne, Henry Shepherd, Barbara and Philip Sousa, Linda Staab, Brant, Carole, Claudette, David, Kathy, Lauren, Maggie, Marcos, Pat. We remember all we name before you now. (Pause).

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the mission of the Church and for the coming of God's reign among all nations and peoples. *(Silence)*

Loving God, you have made all races and nations to be one family, and you sent Jesus Christ to proclaim the good news of salvation to all. Pour out your Spirit on all creation. We remember especially before you those named this week in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Peter's Church, Beverly; St. John's Church, Beverly Farms; All Saints Episcopal Church of the North Shore, Danvers; St. John's Church, Gloucester; the Essex County Community Organization (ECCO)  
God of love, **hear our prayer.**

Let us remember with thanksgiving before God those who have died, especially Joan Proctor.  
*(Silence)*

Life-giving God, grant to us, and to all who we name before you now, a share in the fulness of your joy. (Pause).  
God of love, **hear our prayer.**

### **The Concluding Collect**

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Confession**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept. You may remain standing or kneel.*

**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.**

*Celebrant* 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.

*People* **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

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

## The Greeting and Announcements

### The Holy Communion

#### The Offertory

*His Voice as the Sound*

Trad., arr. Parker/Shaw

His voice as the sound of the dulcimer sweet is heard through the shadows of death.  
The cedars of Lebanon bow at his feet, the air is perfumed with his breath.  
His lips as a fountain of righteousness flow that waters the garden of grace,  
from which their salvation the gentiles shall know, and bask in the smile of his face.  
Love sits in his eyelids and scatters delight through all the bright regions on high.  
Their faces the Cherubim veil in his sight with trembling fulness of joy.  
He looks, and ten thousands of angels rejoice, and myriads wait for his word,  
He speaks, and eternity filled with his voice, re-echoes the praise of her Lord.

*As the offering is presented, please stand as you are able.*

#### Hymn 380

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*



1. From all that dwell be - low the skies let  
2. E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and  
3. Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise



the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's  
truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from  
God all crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye



Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!  
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.  
heaven - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost.

*Celebrant* All things come of thee, O Lord.

*People* **And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

#### The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

*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.

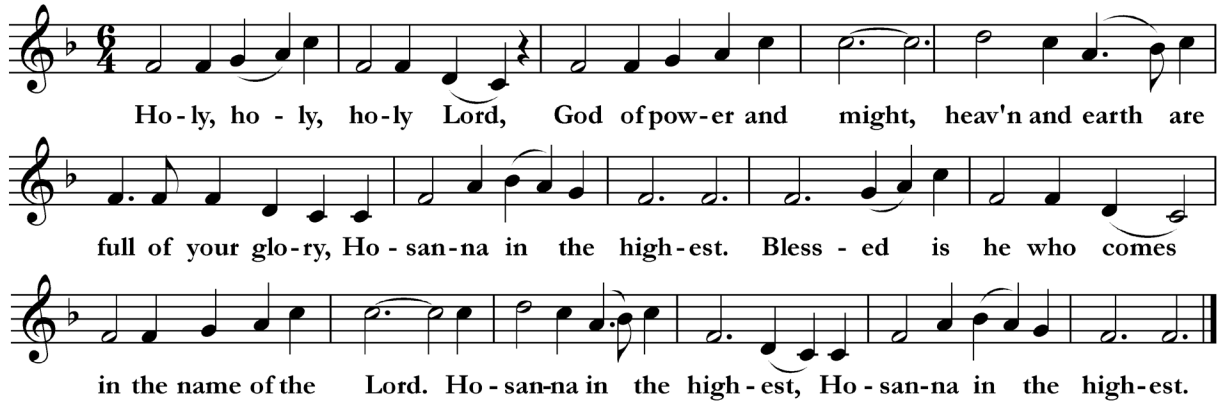
*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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

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 WLP 858**

*Land of Rest*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav'n and earth are  
full of your glo - ry, 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.

*You may remain standing, sit or kneel for the continuation of the Eucharistic prayer*

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 him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, 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 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, according to his command, O Father,

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



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 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 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.**

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

**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

My flesh is food indeed

Ray W. Urwin

*Cantor or Choir*

My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -

1 *All* 2 *Cantor or Choir*

deed, says the Lord. My Lord. Those who eat my

*All*

flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My

*All*

flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread and the one cup.**

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died and rose for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

**Holy Jesus, Redeemer of the World, we believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of this altar. Even while some of us are unable to receive you in the elements of bread and wine, we invite you to enter our hearts and be our companion along the way. Awaiting in hope, we know that you are present in every moment of our lives and will never leave us comfortless. For all good things come from you O Lord, and from that goodness, lead us to the love of others. For you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.**

*All are welcome to receive the bread and/or the wine. You may stand or kneel to receive. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are also available; simply make your needs known to the person serving you. If you wish a blessing instead of the elements, cross your arms over your chest as the priest approaches you.*

## The Communion Hymns

Hymn 633 Word of God, come down on earth

*Mt. St. Alban*

Hymn WLP 773 Heal me, hands of Jesus

*Sharpe*



1. Heal me, hands of Je - sus, and search out all my pain: re -
2. Cleanse me, blood of Je - sus, take bit - ter-ness a - way; let
3. Know me, mind of Je - sus, and show me all my sin; dis -
4. Fill me, joy of Je - sus: anx - i - e - ty shall cease and



store my hope, re - move my fear and bring me peace a - gain.  
me for - give as one for - given and bring me peace to - day.  
pel the mem - o - ries of guilt, and bring me peace with - in.  
heaven's se - ren - i - ty be mine, for Je - sus brings me peace!

## The Prayer after Communion

God of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Sending *(when lay eucharistic visitors are scheduled to make home or hospital visits)*

Celebrant      In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People          **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread and the one cup.**

## The Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace. Hold fast to that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint-hearted. Support the weak. Help those in need. Comfort the afflicted. Honor everyone. Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. And may God's blessing be upon you this day and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## The Closing Hymn 371 **Thou, whose almighty word**

*Moscow*

## The Dismissal

*Celebrant*      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

*People*          **Thanks be to God.**

## The Postlude

*Azmon*

J. Wayne Kerr

*Celebrant and Preacher*

The Rev. Patrick C. Ward

*Minister of Music*

Joan Kirchner

*Eucharistic Ministers*

Meg Nemitz, Brian Ridgeway

*Readers*

Rich Gregory, John Harter, Kate Paradise

*Ushers*

Mary Anne Bragdon, Dick Koeppen

*Altar Guild*

Barbara Wahlquist

*Altar Flower Guild*

Cris Harter

*Audio/Video*

John Harter

*The Terraces*

Brenda Ridgeway

*All music copyrighted under license One License.net #A-709079*

\*To connect to our Hearing Assist system via blue tooth, please see the instructions below.

**Simple. Easy. Free.**



Download the free Listen  
EVERYWHERE App



Connect to the venue's  
wireless network



Audio is delivered to  
your Smartphone

Please connect to: "CHS\_Hearing" and the  
Password is: CHSOreans. This is a case sensitive password.