

The Feast of Saint George

April 23, 2023

10:00 AM

Holy Baptism with The Holy Eucharist

¶ The service follows the Order for Holy Baptism with Holy Eucharist beginning on page 299 of The Book of Common Prayer

¶ The musical setting of the Mass Ordinary is derived from Byzantine sources

Organ Voluntary

A Gaelic Legend

T.H. Candlyn

(1892-1964)

Hymn at the Procession 208

Victory

Francis Pott, a member of the original committee for the monumental Hymns Ancient and Modern (1861) translated this Latin text for that book in an unusual meter found only in a few hymns in the Easter section of the Hymnal.

Acclamation

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

¶ The Celebrant then continues

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

od of hosts, who so kindled the flame of love in the heart of your servant George that he bore witness to the risen Lord by his life and by his death: give us the same faith and power of love that we who rejoice in his triumphs may come to share with him the fullness of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ¶ People Amen.

¶ Then all are seated

The Word of God

The Old Testament Lesson

Joshua 1:1-9

FTER THE DEATH OF MOSES THE SERVANT OF THE LORD, the Lord said to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, "Moses my servant Lis dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land which I am giving to them, to the people of Israel. Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, as I promised to Moses. From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphra'tes, all the land of the Hittites to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun shall be your territory. No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you. Be strong and of good courage; for you shall cause this people to inherit the land which I swore to their fathers to give them. Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law which Moses my servant commanded you; turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you shall make

your way prosperous, and then you shall have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; be not frightened, neither be dismayed; for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

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

¶ All remain seated for the singing of the Psalm

Psalm 3 Domine, quid multiplicati ¶ Sung by the Choir

Lord, how are they increased that trouble me! * many are they that rise against me.

Many one there be that say of my soul, * There is no help for him in his God.

But thou, O Lord, art my defender; * thou art my worship, and the lifter up of my head.

I did call upon the Lord with my voice, * and he heard me out of his holy hill.

I laid me down and slept, and rose up again; * for the Lord sustained me.

I will not be afraid for ten thousands of the people, * that have set themselves against me round about.

Up, Lord, and help me, O my God, for thou smitest all mine enemies upon the cheekbone; * thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.

Salvation belongeth unto the Lord; * and thy blessing is upon thy people.

Tow war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they were defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world -- he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. Rejoice then, O heaven and you that dwell therein! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

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

¶ All stand for the singing of the Hymn and Gospel Procession

Hymn at the Sequence 184

CHRIST IST ERSTANDEN

The author of this hymn, Michael Weisse, was a Roman Catholic priest and monk at Breslau. His Easter hymn sung this morning is based on an older, 12th-century hymn. The strong and sturdy tune is well known to Lutheran congregations and invokes the power of the resurrection.

The Gospel John 8:21-29

Gospeler 4 The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

AGAIN JESUS SAID TO THEM, "I go away, and you will seek me and die in your sin; where I am going, you cannot come." Then said the Jews, "Will he kill himself, since he says, 'Where I am going, you cannot come'?" He said to them, "You are from below, I am from above; you are of this world, I am not of this world. I told you that you would die in your sins, for you will die in your sins unless you believe that I am he."

They said to him, "Who are you?" Jesus said to them, "Even what I have told you from the beginning. I have much to say about you and much to judge; but he who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him." They did not understand that he spoke to them of the Father. So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of man, then you will know that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own authority but speak thus as the Father taught me. And he who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what is pleasing to him."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Thomas Roy Albinson

¶ All remain seated as the Candidate is presented

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

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¶ After the presentation the Celebrant addresses the Congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

People We will.

¶ The Celebrant then says these or similar words

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

¶ All stand

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, #

and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the

breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,

repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God

in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your

neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and

respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

¶ After the presentation the Celebrant addresses the Congregation, saying

Let us now pray for this person who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

- ¶ The Choir sings the following petitions
 - V. Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
 - R. Lord, hear our prayer.
 - Ĭ. Open his heart to your grace and truth.
 - R. Lord, hear our prayer.
 - V. Fill his with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
 - R. Lord, hear our prayer.
 - V. Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
 - R. Lord, hear our prayer.
 - V. Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.
 - R. Lord, hear our prayer.
 - ♥. Send him into the world in witness to your love.
 - Ry. Lord, hear our prayer.
 - V. Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.
 - R. Lord, hear our prayer.

¶ The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. ¶ People Amen.

Thanksgiving over the Water

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¶ The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Baptism

¶ The Candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, or to an assisting Priest or Deacon, who pours water upon him, saying

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. ¶ People Amen.

¶ Then the Ministers and Newly Baptized process to the Crossing

¶ The Celebrant prays over the Newly Baptized, saying Let us pray.

EAVENLY FATHER, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. ¶ People Amen.

¶ Then the Priest, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross, says

N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. ¶ People Amen.

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith

of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us

in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

¶ Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord

Announcements

The Church of St. Michael & St. George is grateful for the generosity of all visitors and parishioners who contribute as part of the weekly offertory. If you wish, please place your contribution in the collection plate or use the QR code below to give online. These gifts are used to support our parish in addition to parishioners' annual commitments.

The Holy Communion

Anthem at the Offertory

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:

it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

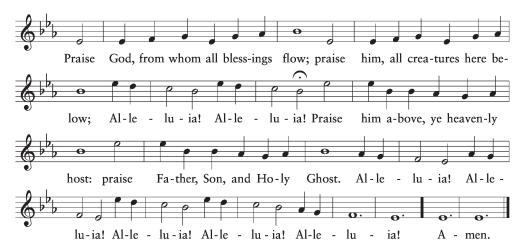
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

> Words: Iubilate Deo Music: William Walton (1902-1983)

• Following the singing of the Anthem, all stand to sing

Hymn at the Presentation



The Great Thanksgiving

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.

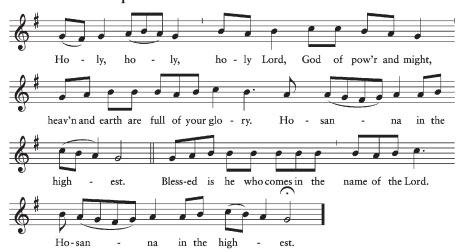
¶ Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Sanctus and Benedictus qui venit



¶ The People kneel and the Celebrant continues

E ACCLAIM YOU, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

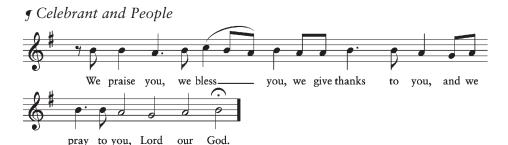
Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you his body and blood, the acceptable sacrifice which brings salvation to the whole world, we praise you and we bless you.



Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Blessed Michael and All Angels, Blessed George, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. ¶ All AMEN.

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

The Lord's Prayer

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,

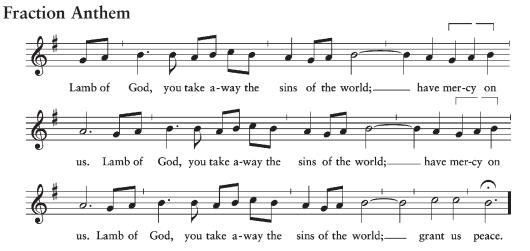
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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.

In The Celebrant breaks the Bread and a period of silence is kept; then is sung



The Invitation and Ministration of Communion

¶ Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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 Christians baptized with water in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Proceed to the Altar Rail when invited by the Usher. To receive the Bread, extend your palms, crossed and upward; when offered the Chalice, please assist in guiding it. Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion may come forward for a blessing; please indicate this to the Priest by crossing your arms over your chest.
- ¶ Holy Communion is distributed both at the High Altar and in St. Mary's Chapel. When directed, please follow the Ushers' direction. Those who are not able to come to the High Altar are always welcome to proceed to St. Mary's Chapel.

Anthem at the Communion

This joyful Eastertide,
Away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified,
Hath sprung to life this morrow.

Had Christ, that once was slain, Ne'er burst his three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now hath Christ arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest,
And for a season slumber:
Till trump from east to west
Shall wake the dead in number.

Death's flood hath lost his chill, Since Jesus cross'd the river Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliver.

Words: George Ratcliffe Woodward (c.1894)

Music: William Harris (1883-1973)

Today's Communion Hymn is a soulful entreaty which asks that we be included amongst the heavenly throngs who sing continuous praises to the Creator and Redeemer. The stirring tune, Coe Fen, is named for the marshland in Cambridge, England, where the composer taught.



The Postcommunion Prayer

¶ Said by all kneeling

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing 4 J The Celebrant blesses the People

AY ALMIGHTY GOD, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. § People Amen.

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.
§ People Amen.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.
§ People Amen.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, 4 the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ¶ People Amen.

¶ All stand

The Dismissal

¶ The Deacon dismisses the People and they respond

- ♥. Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
- R. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Originally intended as a hymn of the Incarnation, the editors of the Hymnal 1982 have selected verses which include the Incarnation, Crucifixion, Resurrection, and enthronement in glory of Christ. Thus, the hymn reviews the great arc of salvation in just four verses. The tune was composed by the organist of St. Paul's Cathedral, London and named for his son after the name of a 6th-century Irish saint.

The flowers at the High Altar are given to the glory of God.

This Morning's Liturgy

- † Colors play an important part in the worship of the Church. The colors worn at The Church of St. Michael & St. George are drawn from colors worn in England before the Reformation. They change according to the seasons of the Church year and the liturgical tasks at hand. The vestments worn in the season after Easter are White symbolizing the resurrection of Christ.
- † For most of his long life Sir William Harris was a cathedral organist and teacher. From 1933–61 he was organist at St George's Chapel, Windsor; while there he gave piano lessons to the young Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret. His published compositions are few, all of them church or organ music. † William Walton's Jubilate is a lively setting of Psalm 100 using, despite its title, Coverdale's English translation rather than the Latin Vulgate text. This Psalm was established in the 1559 Prayer Book as an alternative to the canticle Benedictus, to be sung following the Second Lesson at Matins.

St. George's Sunday

† Each April, we celebrate a special group of people who have chosen to support CSMSG in their planned giving. The St. George Society was created to recognize those individuals, families, and organizations who have made gifts or future commitments of \$5,000 or more to the fund. The generosity of the parishioners of The Church of St. Michael & St. George is vital to the continued vibrancy of our church. This fund is vital to the future of our parish as it helps eliminate annual operating deficits, ensures timely implementation of our strategic plan, and sustains the church's mission during difficult economic times. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the members of the St. George Society. Membership in this group continues to grow and we are grateful to all parishioners who remember The Church of St. Michael & St. George in their estate plans. If you have questions about including CSMSG in your estate plans, contact Alexis Azar Posnanski, Director of Stewardship & Giving at aposnanski@csmsg.org or 314.721.1502, ext. 4044.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 23
8 am Holy Eucharist
8 am Coffee Hour
9 am Choir Rehearsal
9 am Christian Education Hour

Jam Christian Education Hour

- Little Sprouts Nursery-Infant/Toddler Room
 - Godly Play (Ages 4-7)-Wydown Meeting Room
 - Centering Prayer Practice-St. George's Chapel
- Conversations Beyond Confirmation-Library
- Young Disciples- 2nd/3rd and 4th/5th Grades-Room J-204
 - Youth Confirmation-Canterbury Room 10 am Choral Eucharist 10 am Children's Chapel

12 pm Sunday School Volunteer Training-Taylor Room 5 pm Holy Eucharist

6:30 pm Youth Group-Armstrong Room Monday, April 24

MONDAY, APRIL 24
9 am Monday Morning Bible Study
TUESDAY, APRIL 25

10:30 am Church Service League Bible Study-Sverdrup Room 11:30 am Holy Eucharist-St. Mary's Chapel

11:30 am Holy Eucharist-St. Mary's Chapel 12 pm Church Service League Luncheon-Great Hall

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26 6 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 27
11:30 am Holy Eucharist-St. Mary's Chapel
6pm Guided Meditation-Library

FRIDAY, APRIL 28
7 am Men's Bible Study-Great Hall
7:30 am Morning PrayerSt. Mary's Chapel
8 am-Women's Bible Study-Library

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

RECTOR'S FORUM: There will be no Rector's Forum today

CENTERING PRAYER PRACTICE:

All are welcome to join Centering Prayer in St. George's Chapel every Sunday, 9-9:45 am. No prior experience necessary.

JOIN CSL ON APRIL 25 at 12:30 for "The Mystery Guild of Church Service League: An Investigation into Julie Backer Lasar Guild and the Julies" by Jim & Aleda Littlefield. Noon lunch reservations are due by Sunday at 4 pm (naferriss@gmail.com or 314.974.3386).

HUNGER MINISTRY FOOD

DONATIONS: Trinity Food Ministry (cereal, peanut butter & jelly-no glass) & ARJ Community Outreach (tuna, chicken, corn, mixed vegetables, green beans). Place in closets outside Taylor Room.

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Contact Debbie at *debbie@csmsg.org* to volunteer to help the Angels of Restoration restore and rejuvenate our church once a week.

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