

# The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

St. George's Episcopal Church  
July 7th, 2024

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn

Hymnal 636

*Presider* Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.  
*People* And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

*Presider* 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.  
*People* Amen.

*All* The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, \*  
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;  
It shall blossom abundantly, \*  
and rejoice with joy and singing.  
They shall see the glory of the Lord, \*  
the majesty of our God.  
Strengthen the weary hands, \*  
and make firm the feeble knees.  
Say to the anxious, "Be strong, do not fear! \*  
Here is your God, coming with judgment to save you."  
Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, \*  
and the ears of the deaf be unstopped.

Then shall the lame 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.  
The ransomed of God shall return with singing, \*  
with everlasting joy upon their heads.  
Joy and gladness shall be theirs, \*  
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

## The Collect of the Day

*Presider* God be with you.  
*People* And also with you.  
*Presider* Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*All* Amen.

## The First Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-5

*Reader* The Lord said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

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

*All* To you I lift up my eyes, \*  
to you enthroned in the heavens.  
As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, \*  
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,  
So our eyes look to the Holy One our God, \*  
until God shows us mercy.  
Have mercy upon us, O God, have mercy, \*  
for we have had more than enough of contempt,  
Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, \*  
and of the derision of the proud.

## The Second Reading

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

*Reader* I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

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

# The Gospel

Mark 6:1-13

*Please stand.*

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

*Presider* Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

*All* The Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

# The Nicene Creed

*Please stand.*

*All* 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, 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

*Leader* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

*Leader* For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

*Leader* For the just use of abundance, and right relationship with your creation;

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

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

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

*Leader* For Michael our Presiding Bishop; for Sean our Presiding Bishop, elect; for Thomas our Bishop; and for the ministry of all the baptized.

*People* **For all who serve God in the Church.**

*Leader* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.  
*Please offer your own petitions.*

Hear us Lord.

***People*** For your mercy is great.

*Leader* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.  
*Please offer your own thanksgivings.*

We will exalt you, O God.

***People*** And praise your Name for ever and ever.

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

*Please offer your own petitions.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

***People*** Who put their trust in you.

*The Presider concludes the prayers with a collect.*

## Confession of Sin

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

*Silence*

***All*** 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 our Savior 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.

*Presider* 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.

***All*** Amen.

## The Peace

*Presider* The Peace of Christ be always with you.

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

*Please greet your neighbors with the Peace of Christ.*

# The Offertory

LEVAS 194

*Lead me, guide me, along the way,  
For if you lead me, I cannot stray  
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.  
Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.*

- 1 I am weak and I need thy strength and power  
To help me over my weakest hour;  
Help me through the darkness thy face to see,  
Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

*Refrain*

- 2 Help me tread in the paths of righteousness,  
be my aid when satan and sin oppress;  
I am putting all my trust in thee.  
Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

*Refrain*

- 3 I am lost if you take your hand from me,  
I am blind without thy light to see;  
Lord, just always let me thy servant be.  
Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

*Refrain*



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## The Great Thanksgiving

*Please stand.*

*Presider* God be with you.

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

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Presider* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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:

*All* **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer then continues until the Presider says*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All* **Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer then continues until the Presider says*

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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 for ever.

*All* **AMEN.**



## The Lord's Prayer

*Presider*  
*All*

As our Savior Christ has taught 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

*The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Presider*  
*People*

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

## The Invitation

Hymn  
Hymnal 671

## The Post Communion Prayer

*Please stand.*

*Presider*  
*All*

Let us pray.  
God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of  
salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you  
have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now  
send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your  
redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of  
Christ our Savior. Amen.

## The Blessing

Hymn  
Hymnal 616

# Dismissal

*The Presider dismisses the people, and the people respond*

**All**

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

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## Parish Prayer List

**Parishioners:** Charlie Smith, Barbara Kautz, Suzanne Thompson, John Howe, Dick Santoro, Heidi, Donna Bacon, Barbara Machera, Sally Cocco, Peter Blanchard

**Friends and Family:** Erika Kraft-Crawford; Jimmy Toscano; Mary Grace Duffy; Bill Lavigne; Joseph Tooher; Ben, Sarah and Thomas; Dax; Scott; Joseph Kittel and the Kittel family; Todor Stefanov; Tasha Santoro; Debbie & Greg; Joy, Marilyn, Geri Pellegrino, Trevor Amergian, Brian Kautz, Beverly Hart, Nancy Tabor, the family of Michael Major, Meghan, Claire, Judy Jerome

**In the Armed Forces:** Jakob Folley, Jacob Brouker, Colby Gregory, Sarah Eck Gregory, Andrew Macomber, Shawn McCann, Michael McPhail, Todd MacCallum, Matt Poling, Michael Reagan, Andrew Smith, Ben Smith, Patrick Taylor

**Rest in Peace:** Charles Knowlton, Rick Ryther, Julie Steedman, Mike Cocco, Cathy Little, Joe Veno, Michael Major, Allison Marie Soule, Erica Taranto, Ada Lawry, Bob Goehrig, Carol Hollingsworth, Cathy Wilson

*If you would like to add someone to the Parish prayer list, or offer updates, contact Fr. Ryan or the Parish office.*

# Announcements

## Community Notes

Burial Service for Erica Taranto  
July 12th at First Parish Cemetery, 10am

Burial Service for Bob Goehrig  
July 13th at St. George's Church, 1pm

Burial Service for Carol Hollingsworth  
July 18th at Trinity Church, 11am

## Reflections Blog

You can spend prayerful time this week with new writing and photography by our Parish *Reflections* group, and find past offerings by following this link:

[stgeorgesyorkharbor.org/reflections/](http://stgeorgesyorkharbor.org/reflections/)

## Knitting Circle

### Wednesdays, 5:30-7:30pm

Bring your knitting, crocheting and needlework for some time spent together. If you have unfinished projects, have always wanted to start knitting or would enjoy some conversation this is a place for you!

## Simple Eucharist

### Thursdays at 10:00am

A simple service with a conversational reflection on the Scripture of the day and prayers for healing. You can also join and participate in the service online via the link on our website homepage.

## Joint Worship with Trinity Church

### July 28th and August 4th at

### 10:30am

For the second year, we'll share two joint worship services this summer with Trinity Church at Trinity. *There will not be a service at St. George's on those days.*

On July 28th, the Rev. Cathy George, Chaplain of Epiphany School in Dorchester, MA and former Associate Dean and director of formation of Berkeley Divinity School at Yale, will preside.

On August 4th, the Rev. John Gilpin, who also plays an Episcopal minister in the HBO series *The Gilded Age*, will preside.

## This Week

**Monday** Compline / 8:30pm *online*

**Tuesday** Rug Hookers / 10:00am  
Compline / 8:30pm *online*

**Wednesday** Book Group / 9:00am *online*  
Knitting Circle / 5:30 - 7:00pm  
Fr.. Ryan's Coffee Hours  
@Bagel Basket / 11:00 - 1:00  
Compline / 8:30pm *online*

**Thursday** Rug Hookers / 10:00am  
Healing Service / 10:00am  
Compline / 8:30pm, *online*  
Time of Wonder / 5:30pm

**Friday** Fr. Ryan's drop-in hours / 8-11:00am  
Compline / 8:30pm *online*

**Saturday** AA / 12:00pm  
Goehrig Burial Service / 1:00pm

## Serving in Worship Today

Ushers: Davis Roberts

Readers: Linda Huls  
Nancy Devor

Intercessor: Bridgit Holzer

Chalice Bearers: Maureen Pinkerman  
Barbara Early

Altar Guild: Deborah Field  
Doris Blaisdell



### St. George's Parish Vestry

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