



# St. Mary's Episcopal Church

*A parish in the Diocese of Pennsylvania*

September 25, 2022 10:00 AM- *The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

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*Our Mission:* God is calling the people of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Wayne, Pennsylvania to follow Jesus' teaching to love God with all our hearts, souls and minds; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Therefore we love and embrace each other, friend and stranger alike in worship, service and prayer as we seek to live in and share God's Word.

– Adopted by the St. Mary's Vestry, May 2015



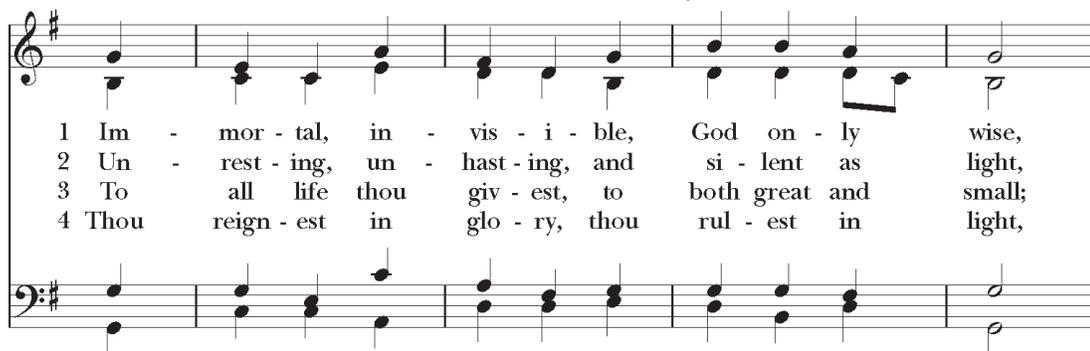
*Lazarus and the rich man*

Voluntary - 'We now pray God the Holy Spirit'

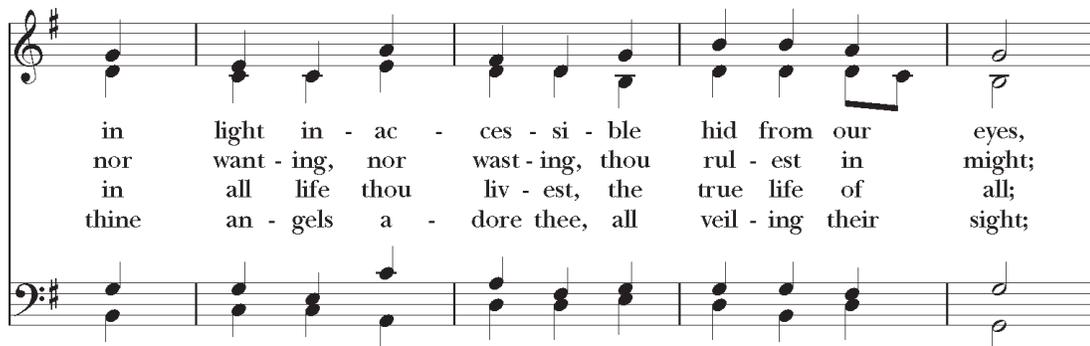
D. Buxtehude

Hymn in Procession, 423 *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

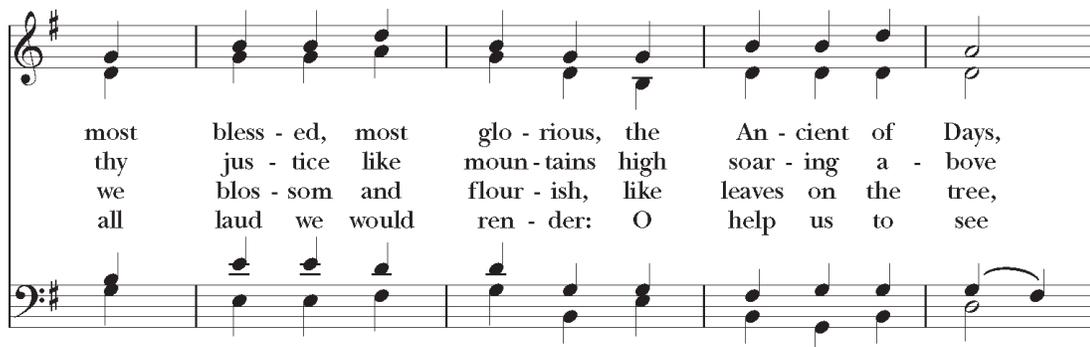
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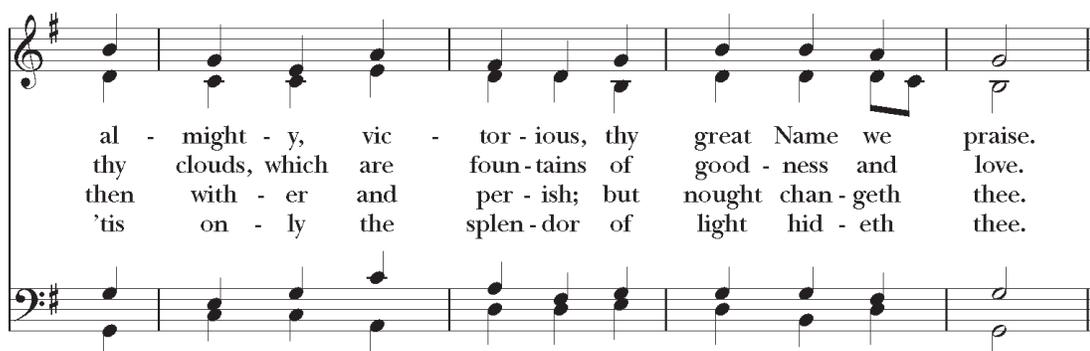
1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,  
all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see



al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.  
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.  
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

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

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

**Collect for Purity**

**A**lmighty 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.**

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
 King, al - might - y 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.

### Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**O** God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*All sit.*

## First Reading

Amos 6:1a,4-7

A reading from the Prophet Amos.

**A**las for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Psalm 146- Antiphon Sung by All**

*Lauda, anima mea*



I will praise the LORD as long as I live, hal - le - lu - jah.

### \*1 *Hallelujah!*

Praise the LÓRD, O mý soul! \*

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while Í have my béing.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in ány chıld of earth, \*  
for thére is no hélp in thēm.

3 When they breathe their last, théy retúrn to earth, \*  
and in that dáy their thoughts pérish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jácob fór their help! \*  
whose hope is ín the LÓRD their Gød;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and áll that is ín them; \*  
who keeps his prómise for évèr;

6 Who gives justice to thóse who áre oppressed, \*  
and food to thóse who húngèr.

7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;  
the LORD opens the éyes of thé blind; \*  
the LORD lifts up thóse who are bówed döwn;

8 The LORD loves the righteous;  
the LORD cáres for the stránger; \*  
he sustains the orphan and widow,  
but frustrates the wáy of the wickèd.

9 The LORD shall réign for évèr, \*  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.  
Hállelújäh! [*Ant.*]

A reading from Paul's first letter to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

Sequence Hymn, 429 - *I'll praise my maker while I've breath*

Old 113th



1 I'll praise my Mak - er while I've breath; and when my voice is lost in  
 2 How hap - py they whose hopes re - ly on Is - rael's God, who made the  
 3 The Lord pours eye - sight on the blind; the Lord sup - ports the faint - ing  
 4 I'll praise him while he lends me breath; and when my voice is lost in



death, praise shall em - ploy my no - bler powers. My  
 sky and earth and seas with all their train; whose  
 mind and sends the la - boring con - science peace. He  
 death, praise shall em - ploy my no - bler powers. My



days of praise shall ne'er be past while life and thought and be - ing  
 truth for ev - er stands se - cure, who saves the op - pressed, and feeds the  
 helps the strang - er in dis - tress, the wid - owed and the fa - ther -  
 days of praise shall ne'er be past while life and thought and be - ing



last, or im - mor - tal - i - ty en - dures.  
 poor. And none shall find his prom - ise vain.  
 less, and grants the pris - oner sweet re - lease.  
 last, or im - mor - tal - i - ty en - dures.

## Holy Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

Rev. Lucy Ann Dure

## Nicene Creed

*All stand.*

**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.**

### **Prayers of the People**

*All remain standing.*

Brothers and sisters, let us set our hope on God and pray to our God, saying, “*God, our refuge and stronghold, we put our trust in you.*”

We pray for your one holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. May we and your whole Church pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. This week in our parish cycle of prayers, we pray for the families of (*Congregation reads the names aloud*) **John Gill Long, Walter and Patricia Long and Tammy Lohmann.** *Silence*

God, our refuge and stronghold, **we put our trust in you.**  
We pray for leaders of this and every nation. We pray for unity in our country. Remind us that they are fallible human beings, fellow children of the earth. May they put their trust in you, even as we trust in you for our help. *Silence*

God, our refuge and stronghold, **we put our trust in you.**  
Creating God, you made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them. Make us good stewards of your bounty, that there may be food enough for all who hunger. *Silence*

God, our refuge and stronghold, **we put our trust in you.**  
Open our eyes to see the poor at our gates. Give us compassion for those suffering in our community. You, O Lord, care for the stranger; you sustain the orphan and widow. May our work reflect your heart. *Silence*

God, our refuge and stronghold, **we put our trust in you.**  
We pray for the hungry, the sick and the dying. Grant comfort and mercy to those who now experience evil things. Remembering (*Congregation reads the names aloud*) **Jennifer Lurie, Irene Steinhardt, Lisa Hart, Victoria Coates, Louis Glass, JoAnne Vereneck, Mary Kelleher, Mary Tatnall, Barbara Schaefer, Michael Hoffacker and Erlis Wickersham.** *Silence.*

God, our refuge and stronghold, **we put our trust in you.**  
We pray for those who have died. May all the departed find new life in the presence of their God, the one who alone has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light. Remembering Virginia Aigeltinger, Jay Aigeltinger and Peter Aigeltinger for whom the flowers are the High Altar are given today, Barbara Lowe, Carey G. Lowe, Jr., Peter Lowe, Ernest Lowe, and Cornelius J., Muriel M., and Robert F. Kelleher for whom the additional flowers are the High Altar are given. *Silence.*

God, our refuge and stronghold, **we put our trust in you.**

We also pray for other special intentions which may be added at this time either silently or aloud.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant 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.**

## **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.*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **The Holy Communion**

### **Eucharistic Prayer A**

*The Celebrant says the Offertory Sentence*

**Offertory Anthem - Jesu, joy of man's desiring**

*J.S. Bach*

*Jesu, joy of man's desiring, Holy wisdom, Love most bright, Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring, Soar to uncreated light. Word of God, our flesh that fashion'd, With the fire of faith impassion'd, Striving still to Truth unknown. Life attaining near Thy throne.*

*Through the way where hope is guiding, Hark, what peaceful music rings! Where the flock, in Thee confiding, Drink of joy from deathless springs. Theirs is beauty's fairest pleasure, Theirs is wisdom's holiest treasure. Thou dost ever lead Thine own, Soaring, dying, round Thy throne. In the love of joys unknown.*

*The people stand.*

## **Doxology**

**Presentation - Hymn 380, Praise God from whom all blessings flow (vs 3)**

*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**



*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

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*

**Christ has died.**

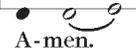
**Christ is risen.**

**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. 

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then may be sung or said*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Agnus Dei, SI63

Powell

Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

*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.

**Communion Motet, O Food to pilgrims given**

*O Welt*

*O Food to pilgrims given, O Bread of life from heaven, O Manna from on high! We hunger; Lord, supply us, nor thy delights deny us, whose hearts to thee draw nigh.*

*O stream of love past telling, O purest fountain, welling from out the Savior's side! We faint with thirst; revive us, of thine abundance give us, and all we need provide.*

*O Jesus, by thee bidden, we here adore thee, hidden in forms of bread and wine. Grant when the veil is riven, we may behold, in heaven, thy countenance divine.*

*Celebrant* 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.**

*A prayer for those observing birthdays*

**Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*A prayer for those observing anniversaries*

**O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church; Send your blessing upon these persons who come to renew their promises to each other, and grant them in your grace, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their lives together may be a witness to your love and forgiveness, and that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Closing Hymn, 625, *Ye holy angels bright*

*Darwall's 148th*

*Descant*

4 My soul, bear thou thy part, tri - umph in God a - bove: and  
 1 Ye ho - ly an - gels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or  
 2 Ye bless - ed souls at rest, who ran this earth - ly race and  
 3 Ye saints, who toil be - low, a - dore your heaven - ly King, and  
 4 My soul, bear thou thy part, tri - umph in God a - bove: and  
 with a well - tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy  
 through the realms of light fly at your Lord's com - mand, as - sist our  
 now, from sin re - leased, be - hold the Sa - vior's face, God's prais - es  
 on - ward as ye go some joy - ful an - them sing; take what he  
 with a well - tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy  
 days till life shall end, what - e'er he send, be filled with praise.  
 song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mor - tal tongue.  
 sound, as in his sight with sweet de - light ye do a - bound.  
 gives and praise him still, through good or ill, who ev - er lives!  
 days till life shall end, what - e'er he send, be filled with praise.

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

**Voluntary** - 'Psalm 19, *The Heavens declare Thy glory*'

*B. Marcello*

## Invitation & Announcements

To all who are lonely and need friendship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, this church opens wide its doors and bids you WELCOME!

We welcome all visitors to St. Mary's this morning. Please sign our guest book by the front door of the Church and complete a visitor's card so we will have a record of your presence with us.



**Today is Sunday, September 25, 2022 - The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**7:45 a.m.** - Holy Eucharist Rite I

**9:00 a.m.** - Adult, Children & Youth Education

**10:00 a.m.** - Holy Eucharist Rite II (livestreamed and recorded)

**Live Stream** - Scott Scheidt

**Acolyte:** Kim Scheidt

**Readers** - Brook Hunt and Frank Tatnall

**Prayers of the People:** Bob Mickel

**Children's Chapel** - Edith Helms

**Altar Guild** - Team 4

**Ushers** - Neal Fulton (Captain) Janice Radford and Frank Tatnall

**11:15 a.m.** - Coffee hour in the Navajo Room

**Host:** Joan McAndrew

**Parish Cycle of Prayers**

This week in our parish cycle of prayers we pray for the families of John Gill Long, Walter and Patricia Long and Tammy Lohmann.

**Flowers on the High Altar** this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Virginia Aigeltinger, Jay Aigeltinger and Peter Aigeltinger.

**Additional flowers on the High Altar** are given by Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Kelleher to the glory of God and in loving memory of Barbara Lowe, Carey G. Lowe, Jr., Peter Lowe, Ernest Lowe, and Cornelius J., Muriel M., and Robert F. Kelleher.

### **Intercession List:**

The names read aloud today are St. Mary's parishioners and family members of parishioners. They include: Jennifer Lurie, Irene Steinhardt, Lisa Hart, Victoria Coates, JoAnne Vereneck, Mary Kelleher, Mary Tatnall, Barbara Schaefer, Michael Hoffacker, Phyllis Cobb, Jim Cobb and Erlis Wickersham.

Also included on the prayer list are our friends Louis Glass, John Paul and Peggy Wilson. You are encouraged to say aloud the names of your loved ones during the Prayers of the People when the lector pauses for the congregation to add their own petitions.

*Please note: It is our practice to take individuals off the Intercession list after four weeks unless we are notified to keep them on. Please let the office know if you need to keep someone on for longer.*

### **Rebuilding the Church**

An old joke tells the story of the pastor visiting with a lapsed church member who tells him that he could never come back to church for he had decided he was too much of a sinner. The pastor simply replied, "Oh never mind that, there's always room for one more!"

What is Christian community, and how is it different from a club?

As we return to regular worship and fall programming at St. Mary's, and begin a new ministry with our children and youth, we invite you to join us in study and reflection of what it means for us to be the *church*. How shall we rebuild our Christian community after

two and a half years of pandemic-driven isolation? What moves us and compels us to be a part of it? In our current polarizing times, can we be a community that promotes unity with diversity, loving our differences and learning from each other, not shying away from the important questions which we currently face as a society? How could this happen? Can God's Holy Spirit transform *even us*?

Join us on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am in the Navajo Room on September 25 to reflect on what it means for us to be a community rebuilding our church at St. Mary's--in order to be, as has been said since ancient times, "not a club for saints, but a hospital for sinners," healed and transformed to be Christ's Body in the world.

### **St. Mary's Book Club**

**The 2nd Wednesday of every month @ 2:00 p.m.**

Our selection is *The Iliad*. We will welcome a guest expert on that afternoon. The October title is *House on Endless Waters* by Emuna Elon. In November we will read *The Glass Menagerie* by Tennessee Williams and we end the year by reading Maggie O'Farrell's acclaimed novel, *Hamnet*. Everyone is cordially invited.

### **Surprised by Hope:**

**Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church**  
by N. T. Wright

Join us this fall for a Book Study facilitated by Father Joseph, Mother Lucy Ann and Dr. Gordon Turk. N.T. Wright tackles the biblical question of what happens after we die and shows how most Christians get it wrong. We do not "go to" heaven; we are resurrected and heaven comes down to earth--a difference that makes all of the difference to how we live on earth.

We will meet eight consecutive Thursdays, beginning Thursday October 6th in the Fr. Greene Room. Our conversation will begin at 6:00 pm each evening, we plan on discussing two chapters each week for one hour. Get your book now and come join us. Everyone is welcome.

You will find Professor Wright's writing style to be attainable albeit challenging theological thought. This class will be completed the week before Thanksgiving.

## **Oktoberfest!**

The Women of St. Mary's  
And the Hospitality Committee  
Cordially Invite All Men and Women to Oktoberfest



Saturday November 14

Traditional German Fare

Beginning at 6:30 pm

In the Father Greene Room

\$15 per Person will be accepted at the door

BYOB

Please RSVP by either signing up on the bulletin board in the Parish House or by calling the parish office.

### **Merry Men Sponsored Breakfast**

October 2, before the Blessing of the Animals liturgy the Merry Men will sponsor a breakfast for the parish. All are welcome. We will begin serving at 8:30 am.

**St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Wayne Invites you to**

# **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**



## **Celebrating the Feast Day of St. Francis OUTDOORS – OCTOBER 2nd 10:00 – 11:00 am**



Bring your whole family to this outdoor worship service that will include a blessing for your pet by our Rector, Fr. Joseph Smith.

Please Note: we will have the choir present and a Eucharist for a somewhat shorter, but, full Sunday church service! Seating will be available.

\*\* We fully expect that some animals may become impatient during the service (even more so than an average toddler) since this service will last for about 45 minutes, but, we will proceed with joy! All barking, squirming and meowing creatures are welcome.

• In case of rain, the service will be indoors and, unfortunately, animals may not attend.

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### Term 2023

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Nate Connor

### Term 2024

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Kathy Buckley

### Term 2025

Katie Crawford, *People's Warden*  
Neal Fulton, *Rector's Warden*  
Scott Scheidt  
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