

**Saint Matthew's**

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**Holy Eucharist - Rite II**  
**The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 14, 2022**  
**10:00 am**

## Welcome to St. Matthew's! We are glad you are here.

The People are invited to read the words in **bold**. If you're joining us from home, please stand, kneel, sing, and pray with us as you're able. No matter where you are, joining in this worship service is a form of prayer that connects you to God and to each other. Whenever two or three are gathered, even virtually, Scripture reminds us that Jesus is present among us.

### **Children are most welcome and are encouraged to participate in worship.**

To the parents of children: Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Sit toward the front so your little ones can see and hear. Go ahead and quietly answer their questions. If you don't know the answer, the priest would love to talk to your little one. When you sing the hymns and join in the prayers, you teach little hearts how to be faithful; you are their best model. If you need to leave the service, that's okay. Don't be shy about coming back. It was Jesus who said, "Let the little children come to me."

**Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, there is a place for you at St. Matt's.**

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## + THE WORD OF GOD +

**Prelude**

*Reverie*

William Grant Still (1892-1978)

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Entrance Hymn 690**

CWM RHONDDA

"Guide me, O thou great Jehovah"

*Celebrant*

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

*People*

**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**The Collect for Purity** *(said by all)*

**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.**

# Gloria – S279

*Sung by all*

*setting by Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, —  
— and peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, hea - ven - 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.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The congregation may be seated.*

## The First Reading

**Isaiah 5:1-7**

Let me sing for my beloved  
my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard  
on a very fertile hill.

He dug it and cleared it of stones,  
and planted it with choice vines;

he built a watchtower in the midst of it,  
and hewed out a wine vat in it;

he expected it to yield grapes,  
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and people of Judah,

judge between me  
and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard  
that I have not done in it?

When I expected it to yield grapes,  
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you  
what I will do to my vineyard.  
I will remove its hedge,  
and it shall be devoured;  
I will break down its wall,  
and it shall be trampled down.  
I will make it a waste;  
it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;  
I will also command the clouds  
that they rain no rain upon it.  
For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts  
is the house of Israel,  
and the people of Judah  
are his pleasant planting;  
he expected justice,  
but saw bloodshed;  
righteousness,  
but heard a cry!

*Lector*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18**

*Sung by the Cantor*

<sup>1</sup> Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; \*  
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

<sup>2</sup> In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, \*  
stir up your strength and come to help us.

- <sup>8</sup> You have brought a vine out of Egypt; \*  
you cast out the nations and planted it.
- <sup>9</sup> You prepared the ground for it; \*  
it took root and filled the land.
- <sup>10</sup> The mountains were covered by its shadow \*  
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.
- <sup>11</sup> You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea \*  
and its branches to the River.
- <sup>12</sup> Why have you broken down its wall, \*  
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
- <sup>13</sup> The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, \*  
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
- <sup>14</sup> Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;  
behold and tend this vine; \*  
preserve what your right hand has planted.
- <sup>15</sup> They burn it with fire like rubbish; \*  
at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.
- <sup>16</sup> Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, \*  
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- <sup>17</sup> And so will we never turn away from you; \*  
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- <sup>18</sup> Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; \*  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

## The Second Reading

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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

*Please stand as you are able.*

## Sequence Hymn 546

SIROË

“Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve”

## The Holy Gospel

**Luke 12:49-56**

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

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

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son  
and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

*The Intercessor begins, the People respond with the words in bold.*

<i>Intercessor</i>	Let us pray for the Church and for the world. God of love, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
<i>People</i>	<b>That we all may be one.</b>

*Intercessor* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*People* **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Intercessor* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; and especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Ian and Laura, our Bishops, for Jeff, our Bishop-Elect, and for Marissa, our Rector;  
*People* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Intercessor* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*People* **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Intercessor* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*People* **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Intercessor* We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for Andy, Liz, Ann, Jose, Jim, Jack, Pat, Donald, Alison, Laura, Dick, Jackie, Tom, Michael, Joanne, Brooks, Scott, Bobby, Martin, Marge, Vinny, Ann, Bruce, Melinda, Rob, Jane, Nancy, Dawn, Donnie, David, Aaron, Petra, Kathy, Richard, Mary Lou, Charles, Dann and those we now name (*the people are invited to offer their own intercessions*); and we remember before you those who serve in the military, especially Matthew and those we now name (*the people are invited to offer their own intercessions*); have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*People* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Intercessor* We pray also for those who have died, especially [\_\_\_\_\_ and] those we now name (*the people are invited to offer their own intercessions*); give to the departed eternal rest;  
*People* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Intercessor* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*People* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Intercessor* We thank you Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for the birthdays of Stephanie Mitchell, August Theoharides, Doug Gubner, Susan Abrams, Matthew & Gabe Koleszar.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People may add their own intercessions either silently or aloud.*

*Silence may be kept.*

*The Celebrant says the following prayer*

You give us prophets, holy God, to cry out for justice and mercy. Open our ears to hear them, and to follow the truth they speak, lest we support injustice to secure our own well-being. Give prophets the fire of your Word, but love as well. Though they speak for you, may they know that they stand with us before you, and have no Messiah other than your Son, Jesus Christ, the Lord of all. **Amen.**

—*The Worship Book: Services*

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Confession

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

*Silence may be kept. The people may stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant and People say together*

**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 Celebrant 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.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## The Peace

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

## + THE HOLY COMMUNION +

*Celebrant says an Offertory sentence, the congregation may be seated.*

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

**Offertory Hymn 596**                      KOMM, O KOMM, DU GEIST DES LEBENS  
“Judge eternal, throned in splendor”

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Doxology at the Presentation**    *sung by all*    THE OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### **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 God thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

## Sanctus – S131

*Sung by all*

*setting by Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven 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.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

*Celebrant and People say together*

**Dying, you destroyed our death.**

**Rising, you restored our life.**

**Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with [blessed \_\_\_\_\_, and] all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator with voices of unending praise.

*Celebrant and People say together*

**Blessed are you now and for ever. 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 forever and ever. Amen.**

# The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

## Fraction Anthem – S155

*Sung by all*

*setting by Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is  
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*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 are welcome to come forward, as directed by ushers, to receive communion or a blessing. The Ushers will help you move toward the center in single file, socially distanced, lines. When you reach the center of the space, please open your hands and lay them flat to receive the bread or cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.*

*Let the Priest know if you need a gluten free wafer by first extending your palms down.*

*If you would like to have communion brought to your pew, please let an usher know.*

## Communion Hymn 575

VATER UNSER IM HIMMELREICH

“Before thy throne, O God, we kneel”

*If you are joining from home or have not received communion, you may offer this prayer to the Lord.*

### **The Act of Reception**

Saint Augustine's Prayer Book (2<sup>nd</sup> ed)

*The Celebrant and the People say together*

In union, Blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace.

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

## **Postcommunion Prayer**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*People*

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## **Parish Announcements**

### **The Blessing**

*The Celebrant blesses the People*

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God give you strength to be Christ's hands and heart in this world. And the blessing of God Almighty, who creates, redeems, and sanctifies be with you this day and always. **Amen.**

## Dismissal Hymn 400 vv. 1, 4, 5, 7

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

“All creatures of our God and King”

*The Celebrant offers the dismissal to which the people respond,*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

Christa Rakich (b. 1952)

Postlude on *Lasst uns erfreuen*

## Worship Leaders

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Marissa Rohrbach
<i>Preacher</i>	The Rev. Mark Montgomery
<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	Andy Gaillard
<i>Lectors</i>	Andy Gaillard, Paul Reis
<i>Intercessor</i>	Anna-Kate Reis
<i>Music Director</i>	Andrew Leslie Cooper
<i>Counters</i>	Steve Pettit, Rob Kyle

**Prayer Requests** *Specific prayer requests will be kept on the prayer list for six weeks. Please call or email the office if you have additions or deletions to the prayer list. You are encouraged to offer your own prayers silently or aloud as indicated in the Prayers of the People.*

Today and through the week, we remember all those who have been commended to our prayers. For those who are sick or in need: *Andy, Liz, Ann, Jose, Jim, Jack, Pat, Donald, Alison, Laura, Dick, Jackie, Tom, Michael, Joanne, Brooks, Scott, Bobby, Martin, Marge, Vinny, Ann, Bruce, Melinda, Rob, Jane, Nancy, Dawn, Donnie, David, Aaron, Petra, Kathy, Richard Douthitt, Mary Lou Mannix, Charles Kennedy and Dann Pompa. For those serving in the military, Matthew Comeau.*

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Fresh expressions of the church in Connecticut; missional experiments. Students preparing to enter schools, colleges, universities, and seminaries; school, college, and university chaplains; all campus ministries.

## Weekly Calendar – August 14 – August 21

**Sunday, August 14**

10:00am

**The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Joint Worship with WPC:

Holy Eucharist – Rite 2 - (In person & Livestream)

**Tuesday, August 16**

7:00pm

Finance Committee meeting

**Wednesday, August 17**

11:00am

Staff meeting

**Sunday, August 21**

10:00am

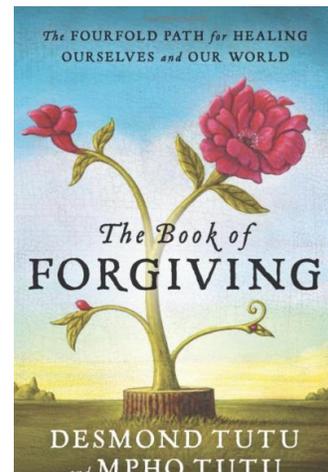
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Joint Worship at WPC

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### St. Matt's Summer Read 2022

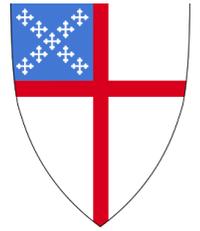
Join in on our Summer Read! We'll gather three times over the summer to reflect on the three parts of the book. Don't worry - if you have to miss one or two, it's totally okay to be present when you can be. And as always, we hope you'll consider reading the book even if you can't join in the conversations this summer! Take it with you to the beach, on the plane, or wherever your travels take you. This incredible little book is a deep exploration of healing and forgiveness written by the late Desmond Tutu and his daughter, Mpho. It will give us an opportunity for rich conversation and an invitation into both prayer and action as individuals and as a community. Forgiveness is an important part of our life of faith, and when we grapple with pain and the issues of the day it can feel both mysterious and elusive. Let's discover together wisdom about how to give and receive forgiveness. Questions? [Email Marissa](#).



Monday July 11th at 5:30pm ~ Tuesday, August 2nd at 5:30pm ~ Monday, August 22nd at 5:30pm

# Worship Schedule at St. Matthew's

Holy Eucharist on Sundays at 10am



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