



**Saint Matthew's**

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



*Class 2023*

**Holy Eucharist - Rite II**

**Trinity Sunday**

**Senior Sunday**

**June 4, 2023**

**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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## **Recognition of the Seniors**

Katie Angerame

Annika Mannix

Christian Bazarian

Grace Murphy

Jamie Cristini

Emerson Patillo

Clarissa Greis

Samuel Perry

George Hahn

Ryan Preisano

Virginia Hastings

Cate Satrazemis

Jane Hulse

Thomas Walsh

# + THE WORD OF GOD +

**Prelude**

Prelude on *Nicaea*

Healey Willan (1880–1968)

*The hymns can be found in the blue hymnals. Please stand as you are able.*

**Processional Hymn 362 vv. 1, 3, 4**

NICAEA

“Holy, holy, holy!”

*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**

*The Celebrant and People say together*

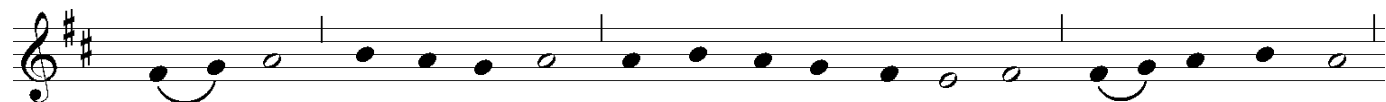
**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

# Gloria – S 277

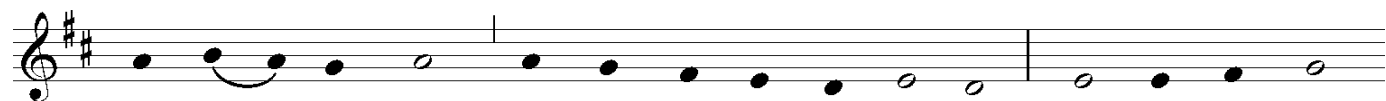
*Sung by all setting by David Hurd (b. 1950)*



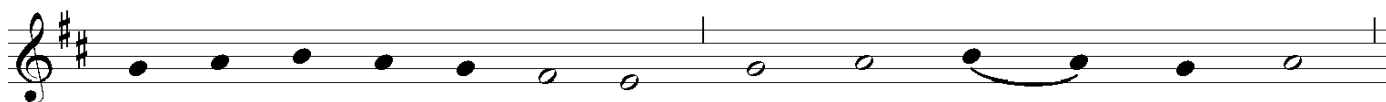
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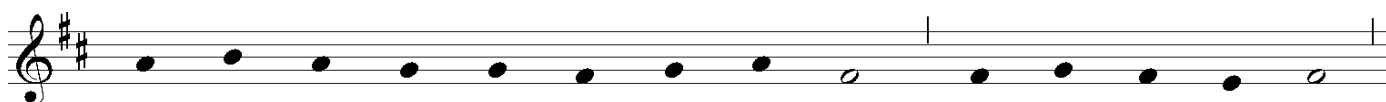
2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



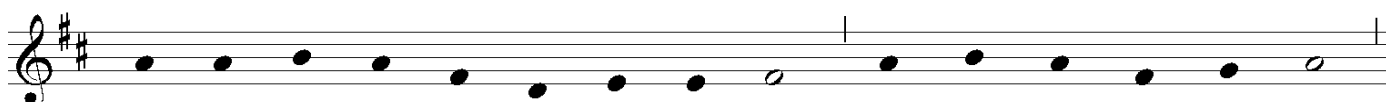
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



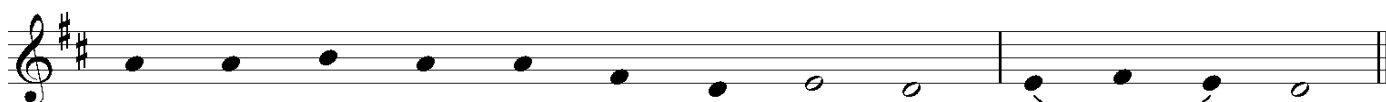
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



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 and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The congregation may be seated.*

## **The First Reading**

### **Genesis 1:1-2:4a**

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with

the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

<i>Lector</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

## Psalm 8

*Sung by the choir*

- <sup>1</sup> O LORD our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- <sup>2</sup> Out of the mouths of infants and children \*  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- <sup>3</sup> You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \*  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- <sup>4</sup> When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- <sup>5</sup> What is man that you should be mindful of him? \*  
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- <sup>6</sup> You have made him but little lower than the angels; \*  
you adorn him with glory and honor;
- <sup>7</sup> You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \*  
you put all things under his feet:
- <sup>8</sup> All sheep and oxen, \*  
even the wild beasts of the field,
- <sup>9</sup> The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \*  
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- <sup>10</sup> O LORD our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!



## The Second Reading

**2 Corinthians 13:11-13**

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Children in Pre-K – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade may proceed to their classrooms for Church School at the beginning of the first verse.*

## Sequence Hymn 398

FOREST GREEN

“I sing the almighty power of God”

## The Holy Gospel

**Matthew 28:16-20**

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

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

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

*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.**

## Prayers of the People

*The People respond with the words in bold.*

*Intercessor* Beloved of God, all of you, live in peace. With gracious hearts appeal to the Lord, saying, “Glory to you, Holy Trinity; *we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.*”

*Intercessor* Holy Trinity, you separated the light from the darkness: may your Church ever dwell in your radiance and walk in the light of your love. We pray for our Bishops, Jeff and Laura, for Marissa, our Rector, for our Vestry and Lay Leaders, and for all the holy people of God. Glory to you, Holy Trinity;

*People* **We will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

*Intercessor* Holy Trinity, you placed the same sky above all people: may people all over the world live in peace with one another. May we be your instruments of peace and concord. We pray especially today for all graduating seniors. Glory to you, Holy Trinity;

*People* **We will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

*Intercessor* Holy Trinity, you made all things good: give us the will to respect and preserve your creation, that future generations may experience the wonder and sweetness of all you have made. Glory to you, Holy Trinity;

*People* **We will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

*Intercessor* Holy Trinity, you created the sun to give us light: shine your light on our community, that the shadow places may be exposed. May your justice and peace reign in our community. Glory to you, Holy Trinity;

*People* **We will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

*Intercessor* Holy Trinity, from your hand come creatures great and small: as you care for even the smallest creature, show your loving-kindness to all who call out to you for help. Grace the lives of your children with healing and strength. We pray for Arlene, Barbara, Beth, Becky, Mike, Susan, Jack, Chuck, Joan, David, Nancy, Joy, Peter, Liz, Ann, Jack, Pat, Kathy, Dick, Brooks, Scott, Martin, Ann, Melinda, Aaron, Dann, and today we pray especially for Presiding Bishop Michael Curry who is being monitored for heart trouble and internal bleeding. We also remember before

those we name now either silently or aloud [\_\_\_\_\_].

Glory to you, Holy Trinity;

*People* **We will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

*Intercessor* Holy Trinity, you created humankind in your image and you promised to be with us always: may those who have died take comfort in your eternal presence. Glory to you, Holy Trinity;

*People* **We will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

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*

God, you are the source of human dignity, and it is in your image that we are created. Pour out on us the spirit of love and compassion. Enable us to reverence each person, to reach out to anyone in need, to value and appreciate those who differ from us, to share the resources of our nation, to receive the gifts offered to us by people from other cultures. Grant that we may always promote the justice and acceptance that ensures lasting peace and racial harmony. Help us to remember that we are one world and one family.

**Amen.**

—*Australian Catholic Social Justice Council*

*Then the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **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 Anthem**

## ST. PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE

*I bind unto myself today*

I bind unto myself today  
the strong Name of the Trinity,  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three in One, and One in Three.

I bind this day to me for ever,  
by power of faith, Christ's Incarnation;  
his baptism in the Jordan river;  
his death on cross for my salvation;  
his bursting from the spiced tomb;  
his riding up the heavenly way;  
his coming at the day of doom:  
I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself the Name,  
the strong Name of the Trinity,  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three in One, and One in Three.  
Of whom all nature hath creation,  
eternal Father, Spirit, Word:  
praise to the Lord of my salvation,  
salvation is of Christ the Lord.

Amen.

*Whether you've joined us today from near or far, in person or online, please consider making a gift of thanksgiving to support the work of God at St. Matthew's. Be part of God's mission with us as we make our way into the new life God promises. Visit [www.stmatthewswilton.org/offering](http://www.stmatthewswilton.org/offering). Designate it as a gift or as part of your pledge. No gift is too small. All gifts honor the God who honors us with life, breath, love, and salvation.*



*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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

# Sanctus – S 124

*Sung by all*

*setting by David Hurd (b. 1950)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven 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.

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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 say together*

**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. **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 – S154

*Sung by all*

*setting by David Hurd (b. 1950)*

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. Please wait for the Ushers and follow their instructions. 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. You may then choose to drink from the silver chalice to your left or intinct (dip the wafer in the wine) in the clay chalice to your right. If you do not wish to receive wine, simply pass the cup, and make your way back to your seat. We believe Jesus is fully present in both the bread and the wine, so if you receive the bread, you have participated fully in communion.*

*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.*

*Lord, you give the great commission*

Lord, you give the great commission:  
“Heal the sick and preach the word.”  
Lest the Church neglect its mission  
and the Gospel go unheard,  
help us witness to your purpose  
with renewed integrity;

*with the Spirit’s gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.*

Lord, you call us to your service:  
“In my name baptize and teach.”  
That the world may trust your promise,  
life abundant meant for each,  
give us all I new fervor, draw us  
closer in community;

*Refrain*

Lord, you make the common holy:  
“This my body, this my blood.”  
Let your priests, for earth’s true glory,  
daily lift life heavenward,  
asking that the world around us  
share your children’s liberty;

*Refrain*

Lord, you show us love’s true measure:  
“Father, what they do, forgive.”  
Yet we hoard as private treasure  
all that you so freely give.  
May your care and mercy lead us  
to a just society;

*Refrain*

Lord, you bless with words assuring:  
“I am with you to the end.”  
Faith and hope and love restoring,  
may we serve as you intend,  
and, amid the cares that claim us,  
hold in mind eternity;

*Refrain*

*Please kneel or sit to sing.*

## Communion Hymn 371

MOSCOW

“Thou, whose almighty word”

*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**

*The People stand or kneel.*

*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.**

### **Recessional Hymn 368**

REGENT SQUARE

“Holy Father, great Creator”

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

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### **Bagpipe Postlude**

## Worship Leaders

*Celebrant*

The Rev. Marissa Rohrbach

*Preacher*

Samuel Perry

*Eucharistic Ministers*

Anne Newton, Pam Ely

*Lectors*

Sharon Pearson, John Pearson

*Intercessor*

Katie Angerame

*Music Director*

Andrew Leslie Cooper

*Choir*

St. Matthew's Summer Choir

*Altar Guild*

Betsy Pettit, Joy Ruterma

*Counters*

Brian Angerame, Bill Brautigam

**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: *Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Arlene, Barbara, Beth, Becky, Mike, Susan, Jack, Chuck, David Nancy, Joan, Joy, Peter, Liz, Ann, Jack, Pat, Kathy, Dick, Brooks, Scott, Martin, Ann, Melinda, Aaron, Dann. For those serving in the military, Matthew Comeau.*

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Christ Church, Norwalk; Iglesia Betania, Stamford; St. Andrew's, Northford; Episcopal Rainbow, TransEpiscopal, Believe Out Loud, LGBTQ+ Episcopalians, and those who serve the LGBTQ+ community.



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### WITNESS STONE INSTALLATION CEREMONY HONORING JOHN C. WALLY

JUNE 10, 2023

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WILTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Please join the St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Wilton + Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Westport + St. Paul's on the Green, Norwalk communities as they restore the history and honor the humanity of the enslaved individuals who helped build our communities.

[WitnessStonesProject.org](http://WitnessStonesProject.org)

## Beating Swords into Plowshares

Next Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, Bishop James Curry (retired suffragan of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut) will be joining us at 10:00am for the Rite of Confirmation and Renewal of Baptismal Vows.



Bishop Jim is also co-founder of [Swords to Plowshares Northeast](#), a program focused on reducing gun violence in our communities by converting weapons of death into tools of life, and then use those tools to the betterment of the community. Following worship and an extended coffee hour, Bishop Jim will demonstrate how guns are turned into garden tools using his forge and other implements. All ages can participate – although long pants (or skirts) and closed-toed shoes should be worn. Protective glasses and gloves will be provided. Come, learn more about this amazing ministry and put your energy into hammering out weapons of destruction by creating tools that nurture growth.

*He shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more. – Isaiah 2:4*

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## From the Mission Team

St. Matt's will be collecting travel-sized toiletry items for the "Stuff-a-Sock" project coordinated through the Horizons Program at Norwalk Community College. A major recipient of these "stuffed socks" will be Open Doors' clients, so St. Matt's is rising to the call to help. Essential items like socks and toiletries make a huge difference for people who are dealing with homelessness. The Stuff-A-Sock initiative is a wonderful way for our community to come together and make a difference for our neighbors in need. Drop off bins will be in the narthex and the outdoor circle now through July 9<sup>th</sup>. Any questions, please contact George Fuller or Char Griffin. Thank you for your support.

**Travel-sized items:** Body wash, Shampoo, Combs, Deodorant, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Regular-sized pairs of men's large sock (white are best)

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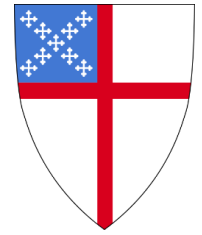
## Wilton Pride Event

This year, Wilton will host its first Pride festival on June 10th. St. Matt's is set to have a table down in the center of town, to give away balloons, make crafts with the kids, and meet as many people as we can. And we need your help! Come join us as we share the good news with everyone, we meet that God loves them and so do we! Please be in touch with Marissa or with Sam if you can help us that day! Help us share God's love with this community and make St. Matt's a visible presence to those who might not know us yet. Thank you!



## Worship Schedule at St. Matthew's

Holy Eucharist on Sundays at 10am



*Please keep an eye on our website and social media as well as our e-news. There you'll find information and opportunities to connect for friends and members of all ages.*

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