



# St. John's Episcopal Church

## THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: HOLY EUCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION

RITE II

JUNE 26, 2022

10:00 AM

**Tower Bells**

**Voluntary**

*Grand chorus*

Alexandre Guilmant

### **The Liturgy of the Word**

**Entrance Hymn 370** (*All stand*)

*I bind unto myself today*

#### **The Opening Acclamation**

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

*People:* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*Bishop:* There is one Body and one Spirit;

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

*Bishop:* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

*People:* **One God and Father of all.**

#### **The Collect**

*Bishop:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Bishop:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

#### **The First Reading Revelation 21:1-6a** (*Seated*)

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I

am making all things new.’ Also he said, ‘Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.’ Then he said to me, ‘It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Sequence Hymn 490** (*Standing*)

*I want to walk as a child of the light*

**The Holy Gospel Matthew 5:1-11** (*Standing*)

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: ‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.’

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon** (*Seated*)

The Right Reverend Samuel Johnson Howard

**Anthem**

*Veni Sancte Spiritus*

Jacques Berthier

**Presentation and Examination of the Candidates**

*Bishop:* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

*Candidates:* I do.

*Bishop:* Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*Candidates:* I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

*After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation.*

*Bishop:* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

*People:* **We will.**

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

**The Baptismal Covenant**

*Bishop:* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

*Bishop:* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People:* **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is**

**seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Bishop:* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People:* **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*Bishop:* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People:* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop:* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People:* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop:* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People:* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop:* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People:* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop:* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People:* **I will, with God's help.**

### **Prayers for the Candidates**

*Bishop:* Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

*Leader:* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Bishop:* Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation**

#### **The Peace** *(Standing)*

*Bishop:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*Then the Clergy and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

# The Holy Communion

Offertory

*Draw us in the Spirit's tether*

Harold Friedell

*If you are worshipping with us in person, we encourage you to place your contributions in the offertory plates as they are passed in the pews. To make a digital offering through St. John's online portal, use your phone's camera to scan the QR code on the back panel of this bulletin or click the "Give Now" button on the St. John's home page. You can also make a gift by texting STJOHNS to 732-56, or by mailing your gift to the church office: St. John's Episcopal Church, Attn: Finance Office, 211 N. Monroe St., Tallahassee, FL, 32301. If you bank online, consider setting St. John's up as a vendor with your bank for quick, easy, online payments.*

**Presentation Hymn 432, v. 4** (*Sung by all, standing*)

*O praise ye the Lord!*

O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song to him be outpoured all ages along!  
For love in creation, for heaven restored, for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

**The Great Thanksgiving-Eucharistic Prayer A** (*Standing*)

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Priest:* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Priest:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to give him 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... 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**

*Land of Rest*

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. Hosanna in the highest.

*(The congregation may kneel or remain standing.)*

Holy and gracious Father: 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:

*Priest and People:*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

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:

### **The Lord's Prayer** *(Said by all)*

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

#### **Fraction Anthem** *(Sung by all)*

Jamaican folk melody

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy.  
Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

*Refrain:* Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around; loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one. At the table he sets the tone,  
Teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express. *Refrain*

**Invitation to Communion:** *All baptized Christians are invited to Holy Communion. Approach the altar in a double line in the center aisle. Stand or kneel at the railing and receive the bread in your hand. The Christian tradition teaches that Christ is fully received in one kind. You may wish to receive the wine from the common cup, or you may allow the Eucharistic Minister to intinct your wafer in the common cup. If you would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest, and the server will know that you would prefer to be blessed rather than to receive.*

### **Communion Hymns 516, 500, 503**

#### **Postcommunion Prayer** *(Said by all, kneeling)*

*Priest:* Let us pray.

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

*When Eucharistic Visitors are sent forth to take Communion to the sick or homebound, the following rite is offered:*

*Priest:* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth to... bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*People:* **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

### **The Blessing**

#### **Closing Hymn 347** *(Standing)*

*Go forth for God*

## The Dismissal

*Deacon:* Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia, alleluia.

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Voluntary**

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

Healey Willan

### Youth To Be Confirmed

Isabella Collins Barton  
Paul Bernard Killeen  
Hayden William McNeill  
Henry Rollins Miller  
Mary Call Miller  
William Hayne Miller  
William Jameson Proctor  
John Beaumont Barnes Ray, II  
Kathryn Belle Rayboun  
Ainsley Caroline Yarbrough

### Adults To Be Confirmed

Ingrida Daktere Barrow  
Daniel Rex Barrow, Jr.  
Cathy Ellen Gaber  
Shannon Britton Hartsfield  
Arienne Jeannette Hartsfield  
Johnny Franklin Hawkins, Jr.  
Ella Noelle Byerly Hicks  
Gavin Norwood Hicks  
Sara Elizabeth Hopkins Shippen  
Benjamn Sumner Shippen, Jr.  
Holly Gail Sinco

### To Be Received

Toni Nicole Urquhart

### To Be Re-Affirmed

Annie Katherine Albert Delaroderie  
Kimberly Michelle Simpkins-Ciftci

### Flower Dedications

*In loving memory of Lanne B. Ryan, by Clayton Ryan*  
*In loving memory of Ernest "Papa Paul" Moore, by Catherine Bertron*

*To make a digital offering, use your phone's camera to scan here:*

