



The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Eucharist
9:00am October 11, 2026

Prelude Andante religioso by F. Mendelssohn

Tolling of the Bell & Welcome

Opening Hymn Seek ye first

Sung by all

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And it's righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you;
Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you,
Seek, and ye shall find,
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;
Allelu, alleluia!

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And it's righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you;
Allelu, alleluia!

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity *BCP p.355, Standing*

Confession *Said by all*

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of 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.

Absolution

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Lesson Isaiah 25:1-9

Seated

O Lord, you are my God;

I will exalt you, I will praise your name;
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of aliens is a city no more,
it will never be rebuilt.

Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.

For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.

When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,
the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him,
so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

1 The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil;

for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen**

Standing, sung by all

Gradual Hymn #481 vv. 1-2 Rejoice, the Lord is King!

The Gospel Matthew 22:1-14

Standing

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

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

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon The Rev. Canon Gregory Hinton

Seated

The Nicene Creed

Standing, said by all

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord,

Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: 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 worshipped 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

After each bidding the congregation is invited to offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud. See page 7 for a list of prayer requests.

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

We pray for the Universal Church, its members, its leaders, and its mission.

We pray for our Nation and all in authority.

We pray for the welfare of the world, for those regions troubled by violence or unrest, especially those we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions [See page 7 for prayers requested]

We pray for the needs and concerns of our local community.

We pray for all who are sick or in need, especially those we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions [See page 7 for prayers requested]

We give thanks for the blessings of our lives, for those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and those thanksgivings we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions [See page 7 for prayers requested]

We remember those who have died in the faith.

Celebrant adds a closing collect

The Peace

Celebrant

People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you. 4

Announcements

Offering *You may give your offering in the plates passed by the ushers or give online stgeorgesdayton.org or mail offerings, 5520 Far Hills Ave. Dayton, OH 45429-2204.*

Offertory Music Sarabande by GP Telemann

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer A *BCP p.361*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant continues with Preface... 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:

Hymnal S 129 Sanctus (Powell)

("S" denotes "Service Music" section at front of the Hymnal)

Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer ... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

At the conclusion, the people join, Amen.

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

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world,

People **Grant us your peace.**

Directions for receiving Communion

- All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive; if you have not been baptized, you are welcome to cross your arms for a blessing.
- Gluten-free wafers are available, please indicate your need when receiving.
- If you prefer to intinct (dip) your wafer instead of drinking from the chalice, lay ministers with small intinction cups will be available on both sides. The larger chalices are only for drinking.
- If you prefer to receive only the wafer, please pass the lay ministers and return directly to your pew.

Communion Music Lord I Need You by Matt Maher

Prayer after Communion

Kneeling, said by all

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.

Blessing

Sung by all

Closing Hymn #450 vv. 1-3, 6 All hail the power of Jesus' Name

Dismissal

Deacon gives a dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Toccata in A minor by JP Sweelinck

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The Weekly Messenger

TODAY at St. George's ...

EDUCATION FOR ALL—10am

Full programming this morning for all ages at 10am.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER—Last Chance TODAY!

The much-anticipated Spaghetti Supper & Silent Auction is this Saturday, October 17. TODAY is the last chance to:

- **Volunteer for the Spaghetti Supper** We need YOU to make this a success! Sign-up clipboards are in the Welcome Lounge!
- **Buy Tickets for the Spaghetti Supper** Tickets are on sale now in the Welcome Lounge! \$15/each or \$40/family. TODAY IS THE LAST DAY to buy tickets!
- **Donate Pasta & Sauce** Pasta and sauce collection continues through TODAY to decorate for the Spaghetti Supper and then donate to local food pantries.

SILENT AUCTION—Sneak Preview

Visit the Undercroft after both services TODAY to get a “sneak preview” of Silent Auction items!!

Upcoming and Ongoing ...

2027 STEWARDSHIP KICK-OFF—October 18

The 2027 Stewardship Campaign for St. George's will begin this year on October 18. Please look for a Stewardship letter and pledge card in the mail this coming week and prayerfully consider pledging for 2027. Your pledge will make budgeting a simpler and more responsible process.

CITYHEART UPDATE

Thank you for your generous donations, St. George's! Cold weather is around the corner, and we will soon need gently used coats, gloves, hats and socks. Questions? Contact Laura Abbott, auraabbott@gmail.com

	The Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God	
	And in celebration of my grandson, Jimmy's, birthday by Anne Larkins	And in celebration of my husband, Michael Coalson's, birthday by Elizabeth Bender



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