ST. GEORGE'S
Episcopal Church
Dayton, Ohio

The Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Eucharist
9:00am October 25, 2026

Prelude Toccata and Fugue in D minor by J.S. Bach

Tolling of the Bell & Welcome

Opening Hymn Open Our Eyes Lord (Sung 2X) *Sung by all*

Open our eyes, Lord, We want to see Jesus,
To reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him
Open our ears Lord, and help us to listen
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus

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 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 *Seated*

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved

by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

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

Psalm 1 *Beatus vir qui non abiit*

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord,
and they meditate on his law day and night.
3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;
everything they do shall prosper.
4 It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

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 #616 vv. 1-3 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

The Gospel Matthew 22:34-46 *Standing*

Minister The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand,until I put your enemies under your feet"'?
If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.
Minister The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Calvin Lane *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 The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

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

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 Never Alone

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

Closing Hymn #680 vv. 1-3 O God, our help in ages past *Sung by all*

Dismissal

Minister gives a dismissal
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Now Thank We All Our God by S. Karg Elert

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Preacher & Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. Calvin Lane, Associate Rector
Director of Music	Dr. Adam Kluck
Substitute Organist	Dr. David Crean
Praise Team	Charles Kennedy, Jeff Haas, Holly Litfin, Catherine Phillips
Verger	Rob Johnson
Lay Ministers	Beth Hard, Richard Carr, Stephanie Rice
Lector	Richard Carr
Acolytes	Norah, Audrey
Ushers	Andy Knowles, Pat MacKenzie, Marilyn Judd

The Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God

And in celebration of our anniversary by James & Carolyn Medford

And in loving memory of Nancy Workman by John & Gayle Workman

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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.

THANK YOU, ST. GEORGE'S!

The Spaghetti Supper & Silent Auction **raised over $10,000** for Community Outreach Ministries. This would not have been possible without all the **VOLUNTEERS** and everyone who came out to make this a GREAT event! Thank you, St. George's!

Upcoming and Ongoing ...

2027 STEWARDSHIP—Pledge Sunday is November 15

The Stewardship Committee asks that you prayerfully consider pledging for 2027. Your pledge will make budgeting a simpler and more responsible process. Pledging is easy! Either bring or mail your completed pledge card to the church or pledge online stgeorgesdayton.org/give.

8 DAYS OF GRATITUDE—November 1-8

In preparation for Thanksgiving, Community Outreach Ministry suggests each parishioner set aside 8 days for dedicated prayer. Add a food item on each of your days of prayer and bring your items to our monthly drive on **Sunday, November 8, from 9am-1pm.** A flyer with a prayer and suggested food donation items is available on the counter in the Welcome Lounge.

FALL PROJECT DAY—November 7

Please join us on **Saturday, November 7,** from **9am-noon** for a morning of fun and camaraderie, preparing garden beds for winter, and removing debris from around our church grounds. Coffee and donuts will be provided. For more information, contact Liz Hudson elizabeth.hudson3@gmail.com.

CHILI COOKOFF—November 15

Bring your favorite chili in a crockpot to serve 10-12 people, along with your award-winning recipe to share! If you are not a chili chef, please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Questions? Contact Sue Simmons, suesimmons53@gmail.com

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**. Place items in the CityHeart cubbies in the Welcome Lounge. Questions? Contact Laura Abbott, auraabbott@gmail.com

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