



ST. GEORGE'S

Episcopal Church
Dayton, Ohio

The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Eucharist

11:00am September 13, 2026

Prelude Trumpet Voluntary in D major by J. Bennett

Opening Hymn #448 vv. 1-3 O love, how deep *Sung by all*

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*

Gloria S 280 Gloria in excelsis (Powell) *Sung by all*
(“S” denotes “Service Music” front of Hymnal)

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

Collect of the Day

Lesson Genesis 50:15-21 *Seated*

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph’s brothers said, “What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?” So they approached Joseph, saying, “Your father gave this instruction before he died, ‘Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.’ Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, “We are here as your slaves.” But Joseph said to them, “Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.” In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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

Psalm 103:8-13 *Benedic, anima mea*

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
9 He will not always accuse us,
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
11 For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
12 As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our sins from us.
13 As a father cares for his children,
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

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 #665 vv. 1-3 All my hope on God is founded

The Gospel Matthew 18:21-35 *Standing*

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

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

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. “For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Standing, sung by all

Gradual Hymn #665 vv. 4-5 All my hope on God is founded

Sermon The Rev. Benjamin Phillips *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 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 Form III *BCP p.387*

The leader and people pray responsively

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Sean the Presiding Bishop, Kristin our Bishop, Ben our Rector, Cal, William, and the staff and leaders of St. George's. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Donald our President, Michael our governor, for the men and women of our armed forces and their families. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for those in need of healing and comfort, especially those we name at this time. *[The people may add their own petitions.]*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We remember those who have died in faith,

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

All join in saying the concluding prayer.

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Kneeling

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 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 How Lovely are the Messengers by Felix Mendelssohn

Presentation Hymn #380 v. 3

Standing, sung by all

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord;

People **And of your own have we given to you.**

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer A

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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 drink from the chalice, please remain at the rail after

eating your wafer.

- If you prefer to intinct (dip) your wafer, please hold up your wafer and a lay minister with a small intinction cup will come to you.
- If you prefer to receive only the wafer, please return directly to your pew after receiving your wafer.

Communion Music For the Beauty of the Earth by John Rutter

Sung by all

Communion Hymn #693 vv. 1-3 Just as I am, without one plea

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 #690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Sung by all

Dismissal

Deacon gives a dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Prelude in f minor BWV 534 by J.S. Bach

WORSHIP LEADERS

Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. Calvin Lane, Associate Rector
Preacher	The Rev. Benjamin Phillips, Rector
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Acolytes	Rachel, Claire, Daniel C., Catherine
Ushers	Rob Larson, Russell Jones, Jane McGee-Rafal, Bill Rike



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

And in honor of
my daughter, Cynthia,
on her birthday
by Marilyn Judd

And loving memory of
family who have
gone to Glory
by Jane McGee-Rafal



The Weekly Messenger

TODAY at St. George's ...

START-UP SUNDAY IS HERE!

- **Fall Ministry Fair**—The Fall Ministry Fair will be held between services TODAY, Sunday, September 13, at 10am in the Undercroft. Come find ways to get involved in the life of St. George's.
- **Choir Resumes**—St. George's choir will be back at 11am! Contact Dr. Adam Kluck if you are interested in singing with the choir music@stgeorgeohio.org.
- **Education Begins**—Children's Education (ages 3 through 5th grade) begins TODAY at 10am downstairs in the Education Wing. Education for Adults and Youth will resume Sunday, September 20 at 10am between services.
- **Potluck Supper**—Please join us TODAY at 5 pm in the Undercroft for first potluck supper of the fall season. Bring a dish to share!

Upcoming and Ongoing ...

SPAGHETTI SUPPER & SILENT AUCTION—October 17

- **Silent Auction Items** We are looking for gift cards, gift baskets, wine, kids toys, vacation destinations, hand crafted items, or anything that you are interested in donating for our Spaghetti Supper Auction! Letters are in the Welcome Lounge for any local businesses you solicit for a donation. Contact Joe & Debby Schenk at 937-546-8158 or schenk620@gmail.com.
- **Volunteer for Spaghetti Supper** Sign-up clipboards are in the Welcome Lounge!
- **Buy Tickets for the Spaghetti Supper** Tickets are on sale now in the Welcome Lounge! \$15/ea or \$40/family. Buy your tickets before they sell out!
- **September Outreach Drive: Pasta and Spaghetti Sauce** Pasta and sauce collected September 20 will be used as decorations during the supper and then donated to a local food pantry. Please leave your donations in the labeled tub in the narthex.

YOUTH COOKOUT AND BONFIRE—September 26

Join us at Grant Park (Normandy Entrance by Chimneys) for hotdogs, smores, and outdoor games. 5:30-8pm. Contact associate@stgeorgeohio.org for more info.

PET BLESSING—September 27

A Pet Blessing will be held at 4pm on Sunday, September 27 in the St. Francis Garden behind St. George's. For more information, contact Susan Ayres, spayres@gmail.com

CITYHEART UPDATE

CityHeart is in desperate need of hygiene items like toothpaste, shampoo, body soap, deodorant, razors and blades, and body wipes. The CityHeart donation cubby is located in the Welcome Lounge. Every item is appreciated by the volunteers and clients. Questions? Contact Laura Abbott, auraabbott@gmail.com



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