



The Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Eucharist
9:00am September 27, 2026

Prelude Inventions in F major, A minor, and Bb major by J.S. Bach

Tolling of the Bell & Welcome

Opening Hymn Revelation Song

Sung by all

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy Holy is He
Sing a new song, to Him who
Sits on heaven's mercy seat

Chorus:

Holy, Holy, Holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of Kings
You are my everything, and I will adore You

Clothed in rainbows, of living color
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor, strength and
Glory and power be, to You the only wise King [Chorus]

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 Ezekiel 18:25-30

Seated

Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25:1-6 *Ad te, Domine, levavi*

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you;
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame;
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord,
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

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**

Gradual Hymn #685 vv. 1-2 Rock of ages

Standing, sung by all

The Gospel Matthew 21:28-32

Standing

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

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

“What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.”

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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 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 Flute Piece by W. Hine

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 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 Wonderful Peace

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 #437 Tell out, my soul

Sung by all

Dismissal

Minister gives a dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Toccata in E minor by J. Pachelbel

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. Calvin Lane, Associate Rector
Preacher	The Rev. Benjamin Phillips, Rector
Director of Music	Dr. Adam Kluck
Organist	Dr. Barbara Acker-Mills
Praise Team	Charles Kennedy, Jeff Haas, Holly Litfin, Catherine Phillips
Verger	Beth Hard
Lay Ministers	Nick Brusky, Mark Greene, Nan Miller
Lector	Mark Greene
Acolytes	Jack, Bea
Ushers	Rick Hoffman, Richard Carr, Marilyn Judd

The Weekly Messenger

TODAY at St. George's ...

EDUCATION FOR ALL—10am

Full programming this morning for all ages at 10am.

PET BLESSING—4pm

A Pet Blessing will be held at 4pm TODAY Sunday, September 27 in the St. Francis Garden behind St. George's. Each pet will be blessed and receive a collar medal and treats! Please be sure your pets are on a leash or in a crate. For more information, contact Susan Ayres, spayres@gmail.com

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.
- **Donate Pasta & Sauce** We will continue our pasta and sauce collection through the Spaghetti Supper for donation to local food pantries
- **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!

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. Questions? Contact Laura Abbott, auraabbott@gmail.com



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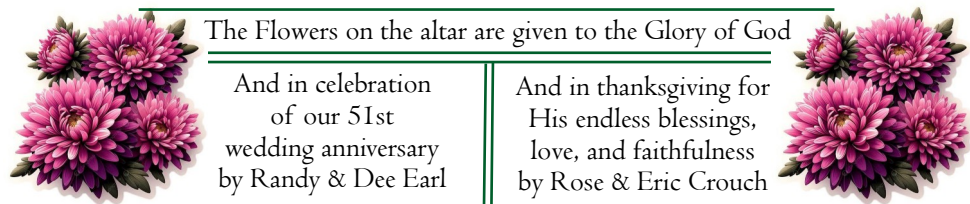
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