

# **OUR 19TH ANNIVERSARY**



The Twenty-second Week after Pentecost SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023



# We're so glad you're here.



At Church of the Savior, our vision is to grow in "Loving God, Loving Others, Loving Life." We hope you sense God's presence and our warm welcome. We'd love to meet you in the foyer after the service.

--Fr. Kevin and Mtr. Karen

**About Our Worship:** We use an Anglican liturgy. Liturgy simply means that everyone gets to participate, so please join in as you feel comfortable.

**Children's Worship:** Nursery is available for children 6 months through 4 years. Children's Worship rooms are available for children Kindergarten through 2nd Grade, and 3rd to 5th Grade. You may choose to keep children with your family, and coloring pages will be available to all.

**Assisted Listening or Noise Cancelling Headphones**: Pick up a loop in the livestream booth (the door to the right of the fireplace in the Fireside Room). An usher can guide you there. Noise cancelling headphones are available at the info table for those who might be sensitive to noise.

**Today is the twenty-second week after Pentecost,** and during this season of Ordinary Time we are looking at key people and practices of the Anglican Church. Today we ask: why do we come forward for communion? As most of us have experienced, churches celebrate Communion in a variety of ways: people may remain seated as the elements are distributed, or they may serve each other. In most liturgical churches, however, people come forward to receive Communion. As we do this, we come together as the Body of Christ – a community – to commune together as we partake of the body of Christ (the bread and the wine). Walking forward with the rest of the church shows how our community is united as the body of Christ by the body of Christ.

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Please enjoy a few moments of silence during the prelude to prepare for worship.

# THE WORD OF GOD

# **PROCESSIONAL**

You may stand.

# O God, Our Help in Ages Past

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy throne your saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come. be now our guard while life shall last, and our eternal home.

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All: And blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Never Once**

Standing on this mountaintop, looking just how far we've come, knowing that for ev'ry step You were with us.

Kneeling on this battleground, seeing just how much You've done, knowing ev'ry victory was Your pow'r in us.

Scars and struggles on the way, but with joy our hearts can say, yes, our hearts can say:

Never once did we ever walk alone. Never once did You leave us on our own. You are faithful, God, You are faithful. (You are faithful God You are faithful)

Scars and struggles on the way, but with joy our hearts can say, never once did we ever walk alone. Carried by Your constant grace, Held within Your perfect peace, Never once, no, we never walk alone!

Never once did we ever walk alone. Never once did You leave us on our own. You are faithful, God, You are faithful. Ev'ry step we are breathing in Your grace. Evermore we'll be breathing out Your praise. You are faithful, God You are faithful. You are faithful, God You are faithful. Children from kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to follow the acolyte to Children's Worship during the next song.

# **GLORIA**



## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the anniversary of this house of prayer: We give you thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshiped in this church, and we pray that all who seek you here may find you, and be filled with your joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

#### THE FIRST READING

**EXODUS 33:12-23** 

<sup>12-13</sup> Moses said to God, "Look, you tell me, 'Lead this people,' but you don't let me know whom you're going to send with me. You tell me, 'I know you well and you are special to me.' If I am so special to you, let me in on your plans. That way, I will continue being special to you. Don't forget, this is your people, your responsibility."

- <sup>14</sup> God said, "My presence will go with you. I'll see the journey to the end."
- <sup>15-16</sup> Moses said, "If your presence doesn't take the lead here, call this trip off right now. How else will it be known that you're with me in this, with me and your people? Are you traveling with us or not? How else will we know that we're special, I and your people, among all other people on this planet Earth?"
- <sup>17</sup> God said to Moses: "All right. Just as you say; this also I will do, for I know you well and you are special to me. I know you by name."
- <sup>18</sup> Moses said, "Please. Let me see your Glory."
- <sup>19</sup> God said, "I will make my Goodness pass right in front of you; I'll call out the name, God, right before you. I'll treat well whomever I want to treat well and I'll be kind to whomever I want to be kind."
- <sup>20</sup> God continued, "But you may not see my face. No one can see me and live."

<sup>21-23</sup> God said, "Look, here is a place right beside me. Put yourself on this rock. When my Glory passes by, I'll put you in the cleft of the rock and cover you with my hand until I've passed by. Then I'll take my hand away and you'll see my back. But you won't see my face."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM PSALM 99

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is King; let the people tremble; \* he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

- 2 The LORD is great in Zion; \* he is high above all peoples.
- <sup>3</sup> Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \* he is the Holy One.
- <sup>4</sup> "O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; \* you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and fall down before his footstool; \* he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \* they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \* they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 "O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; \* you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds."
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him upon his holy hill; \* for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

We are writing to the church in Thessalonica, to you who belong to God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

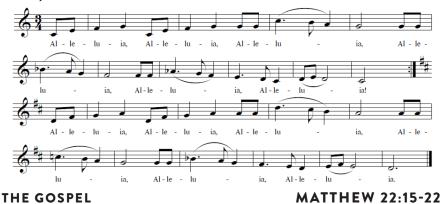
May God give you grace and peace.

- <sup>2</sup> We always thank God for all of you and pray for you constantly. <sup>3</sup> As we pray to our God and Father about you, we think of your faithful work, your loving deeds, and the enduring hope you have because of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- <sup>4</sup> We know, dear brothers and sisters, that God loves you and has chosen you to be his own people. <sup>5</sup> For when we brought you the Good News, it was not only with words but also with power, for the Holy Spirit gave you full assurance that what we said was true. And you know of our concern for you from the way we lived when we were with you. <sup>6</sup> So you received the message with joy from the Holy Spirit in spite of the severe suffering it brought you. In this way, you imitated both us and the Lord. <sup>7</sup> As a result, you have become an example to all the believers in Greece—throughout both Macedonia and Achaia.
- <sup>8</sup> And now the word of the Lord is ringing out from you to people everywhere, even beyond Macedonia and Achaia, for wherever we go we find people telling us about your faith in God. We don't need to tell them about it, <sup>9</sup> for they keep talking about the wonderful welcome you gave us and how you turned away from idols to serve the living and true God. <sup>10</sup> And they speak of how you are looking forward to the coming of God's Son from heaven—Jesus, whom God raised from the dead. He is the one who has rescued us from the terrors of the coming judgment.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This letter is from Paul, Silas, and Timothy.

You may stand.



Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. <sup>16</sup> They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. <sup>17</sup> Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?"

<sup>18</sup> But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? <sup>19</sup> Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, <sup>20</sup> and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?"

<sup>21</sup> "Caesar's," they replied.

Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

<sup>22</sup> When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### **ALLELUIA**

Please be seated.



# The Most Important Thing about a Church

Kevin Miller Rector

We take a few minutes of silence to reflect, pray, and listen for what God may be saying.

#### THE NICENE CREED

You may stand.

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

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.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

The celebrant concludes the Prayers of the People.

# THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please sit or kneel for a time of silence.

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.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

#### THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

At this time, parents should pick up their children from the nursery and Children's Worship.

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# THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

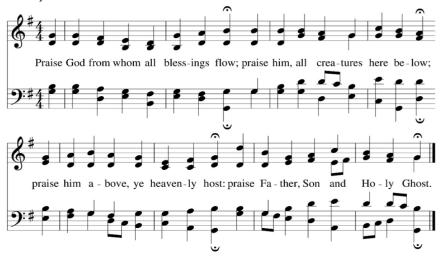
# THE OFFERTORY

Be Strong in the Lord

**Anniversary Choir** 

# THE DOXOLOGY

You may stand.



# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Celebrant: 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."

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ:

All: 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.

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing



# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please join us for Communion: all who are baptized and seeking to follow Jesus are welcome. If that doesn't describe you, simply say "Blessing," or cross your arms, and the minister distributing bread will pray a short prayer for God's favor on your life. The first tray contains wine; the second contains grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you would like to receive prayer, a prayer minister is available in the foyer.

## Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you – Allelu, alleluia!

We shall not live by bread alone but by ev'ry word that proceeds from the mouth of God – 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!

# **Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father, There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not' As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy hand hath provided – Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest; Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

# We Will Remember

We will remember, we will remember. We will remember the works of Your hands. We will stop and give You praise, for great is Thy faithfulness.

You're our creator, our life sustainer, Deliverer, our comfort our joy. Throughout the ages, You've been our shelter, our peace in the midst of the storm.

With signs and wonders You've shown Your power. With precious blood, You showed us Your grace. You've been our helper, our liberator, the giver of life with no end.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, to the one from whom all blessings flow. Hallelujah, hallelujah, to the one whose glory has been shown.

I still remember, the day You saved me, the day I heard You call out my name. You said You loved me and would never leave me and I've never been the same.

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# Mighty to Save

Ev'ryone needs compassion, love that's never failing. Let mercy fall on me. Ev'ryone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior. The hope of nations.

Savior, He can move the mountains. My God is mighty to save. He is mighty to save. Forever, Author of salvation. He rose and conquered the grave. Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures. Fill my life again. I give my life to follow, ev'rything I believe in. Now I surrender.

Shine your light, and let the whole world see. We're singing for the glory of the risen King. Jesus.
Shine your light, and let the whole world see. We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

You may be seated.

#### BLESSING AND FAREWELL FOR PASTOR STEVE

#### RECESSIONAL

# Celtic Benediction

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, Wherever he may send you.

May he guide you through the wilderness,

Protect you through the storm.

May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you,

May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

#### THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the

Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Journey into Savior

If you are new-ish to Savior, or want to learn more about the church and about Anglicanism, mark your calendars for our next "Journey into Savior" seminar: November 7th from 6-9 PM at Fr. Kevin and Mtr. Karen's home. The seminar takes place in a new, one-evening format and prepares you for membership. Dinner will be provided. Contact Fr. Kevin if you are interested in attending.

# **Farewell to Steve Dilley**

Please say a farewell to Steve tonight, as it is his last evening at Savior.

# CHILDREN AND YOUTH

**Nursery & Children's Worship:** We provide Nursery for children 6 months through 4 years and two Children's Worship rooms. Kindergarten through 2nd Grade may attend Young Children in Worship, and 3rd to 5th Grade may attend Following Jesus.

**Youth:** Tonight will be Pastor Steve's Farewell at Youth Group; November 4 (conversation with Fr. Kevin about sex and relationships), 18; December 2.

#### **UPCOMING SERMONS**

October 21, Al Hsu, A Life of Love October 28, Kevin Miller, Savior's 19th Anniversary November 4, Kevin Miller, All Saints Day

#### FINANCIAL UPDATE

Thank you for supporting this ministry of "Loving God, Loving Others, Loving Life."

This Year's Giving Goal: \$365,000

As of October 21:

Budgeted Giving Goal = \$298,742 Actual Giving = \$240,417 Over/(Under) = (\$58,325

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