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Second Sunday after Pentecost with Affirmation of Baptism June 11, 2023 + 10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

***THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

The assembly stands as they are able. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever. Amen.

*GATHERING SONG #504 A Mighty Fortress might - y for - tress is our God. a sword and shield vic -I. A 2 strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, No re -Though hordes of the land all threat - 'ning to 3 dev - ils fill de -4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and to cham-pion comes to fight. whom ject ed. But now a we trem - ble un - moved we they vour us, not, stand; for God him - self fights by with fear it; our side glo - rious. The wins sal - va - tion old sa - tan - ic foe God him-self e lect - ed. You ask who this may be? can - not o - ver pow'r Let this world's ty - rant rage: us. weap-ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house, work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might has sworn to The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, doomed to fail; in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way, o arms him - self to fight. On earth he qual. he has no e God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to rious.

*Asterisk indicates where the assembly is invited to stand as they are able.

One lit - tle word sub - dues

The king-dom's ours for - ev

him.

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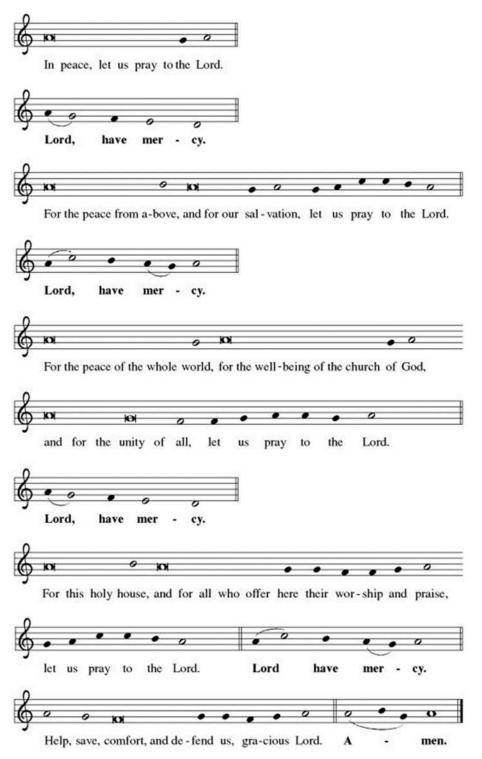
God's judg-ment must pre-vail!

they can - not win the day.

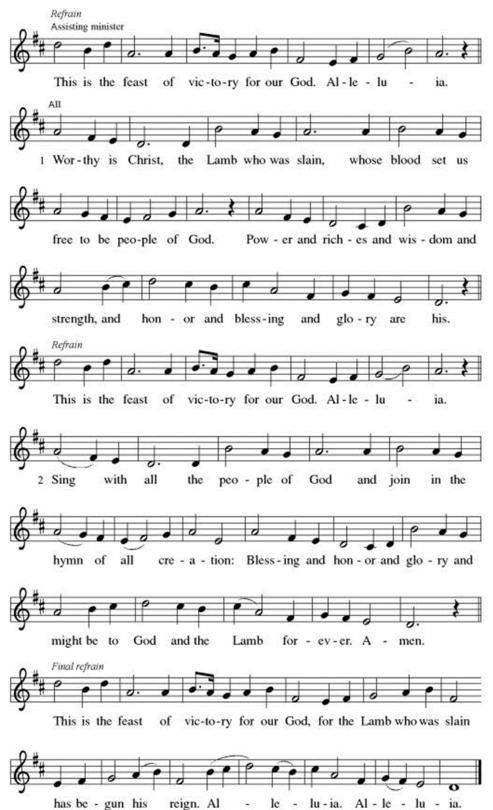
GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE (p. 147)



CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you! And also with you!

Let us pray. O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

ANTHEM (CHOIR)

WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31: 31-35

A reading from Jeremiah.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

³⁵Thus says the LORD,

who gives the sun for light by day and the fixed order of the moon and the stars for light by night, who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar the LORD of hosts is his name.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



PSALM : Psalm 100

¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, ¹ all you lands!

²Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence ¹ with a song.

³Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom ¹ we belong;

we are God's people and the sheep | of God's pasture.

⁴Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the ¹ courts with praise; give thanks and bless God's ¹ holy name.

⁵Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is ¹ everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from ¹ age to age.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 6: 10-18

A reading from Ephesians.

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

GOSPEL: John 15:1-8

The holy gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

(*Pastor*) Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

Presentation [Confirmands stand in the pews]

(Confirmation Leader) I present:

Charlie Hunter Graziano Jack Hunter Graziano Christopher David Minor Nicholas Arthur Poulos Avery Reese Wilcox

who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

(*Pastor*) Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

Profession of Faith

The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism.

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly. The assembly rises as able. *People of God and Confirmands: Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Affirmation

(*Confirmation Leader*) In your baptism, your parents and sponsors and the church made commitments for each one of you: to share your life with God's faithful people; to teach you the word of God; to bring you to the Lord's Supper; to serve all people, following the example of Jesus; to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. You have been taught to love God, love yourself, and love others. Now it is your turn to make these commitments for yourselves. I invite the family and sponsors of the confirmands to come forward and gather around them:

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Name, do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism?

Confirmand: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

God, pour out your Holy Spirit on *Name*, whom you have marked with the cross of Christ forever.

People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their continued life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

[*Pastor lays hands on Confirmand and invites the family to do so. For each confirmand:*]

Father in heaven, for Jesus Sake, Stir up in (Name) the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit and counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, confirm their faith, guide their lives; empower them in their serving; give them patience in suffering; and bring them to everlasting life. Amen.

Let us pray. *The assembly rises as able.*

We give you thanks, O God, for the baptism of these young people. Through water and the Holy Spirit you give them new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. **Amen**

Acclamation

(Confirmation Leader) Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.

Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ to all the world.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

A brief silence.

We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for creation. Tend forests and fields and safeguard all cattle, birds, and wild animals. Preserve lakes, rivers, and oceans and send rains to water the earth. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for the nations. Awaken in our leaders compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected, and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion. Bring peace to our world. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one's death. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain, especially Arthur, Rachel, Mary Ellen, Michelle, Bill M., Andrew, Bill F., Bill D., Luke and Emilie; those serving in the military, all on the prayer list; all people affected by COVID-19; and those we name before you now (pause). God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emanuel Nine, we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God our redeemer, we pray for our congregation. Bless all who are preparing for baptism or affirmation of baptism. Open their hearts to your Holy Spirit, teach them your word, and give them courage to proclaim their faith.

God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We pray, O God, for our young people who have affirmed their baptismal covenant this day. As they have been confirmed in our Christian faith, may they be filled with your Spirit, filled with love for you, and rejoice in the new life in Christ they have received. May we rejoice with them and praise you for all your blessings. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

(Pastor) Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you!**

MEAL

OFFERING

Thank you for your support of the ministries of Saint Andrew's, by mail or by visiting our website for online giving. Donations: <u>standrewsofsmithtown.org/donate</u>



OFFERING HYMN #184 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

***OFFERING PRAYER**

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE AND PREFACE

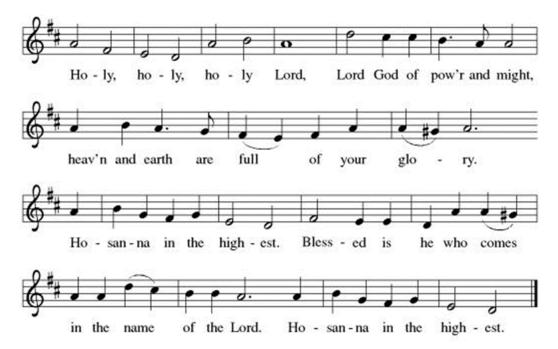
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

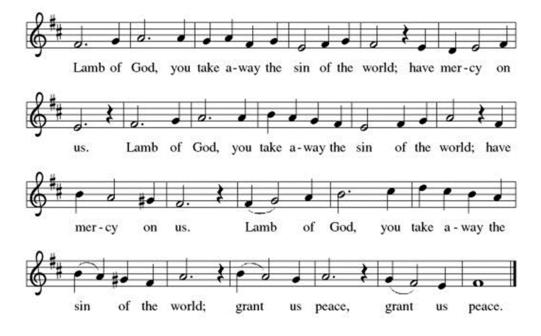
LORD'S PRAYER Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

LAMB OF GOD



Body of Christ, given for you. Blood of Christ, shed for you.

COMMUNION HYMN #445 Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters



1 Wash, O God, our sons and daugh-ters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow. 2 We who bring them long for nur - ture; by your milk may we be fed. 3 Oh, how deep your ho - ly wis - dom! Un - im - ag - ined, all your ways!



Num - ber them a - mong your peo - ple; bless as Christ blessed long a - go. Let us join your feast, par - tak - ing cup of bless - ing, liv-ing brea To your name be glo - ry, hon - or! With our lives we wor-ship, prai liv-ing bread. wor-ship, praise!



Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; com-pass them with love and light. God, re - new us, guide our foot - steps; free from sin and all its snares, your peo - ple stand be - fore you, wa - ter - washed and Spir - it - born. We



Fill, a - noint them; send your Spir - it, ho - ly dove and heart's de - light. by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs. one with Christ in liv-ing, dy - ing, By your grace, our lives we of - fer. Re-cre - ate us; God, trans-form!



***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. Amen.

SENDING HYMN #654 The Church's One Foundation The church's one foun-da -Je - sus Christ, her Lord: 1 tion is 2 E lect from ev - 'ry na tion, yet one o'er all the earth. 3 Though with a scorn-ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed, 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war, 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One, she his new is cre tion by wa - ter and the word. a -- va - tion one char-ter of her sal Lord, one faith, one birth: a - sund - er, by schisms. . rent by her - e - sies dis - tressed, peace for - ev - er she waits the con-sum - ma - tion of more; mys-tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is and won. 0 sought her to From heav'n he came and his ho - ly bride; be bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food, one ho - ly name she long?" saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How yet till vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are with the blest. Oh, bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace, his own blood he bought her, and for her with life he died.

grace en and one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry dued. to night weep - ing shall and soon the of be the morn of song. the great church vic - to - rious shall and be the church at rest. that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

This morning we welcome Pastor Bruce Kaifler.

The flowers on the altar are given in memory of her father, Gottlieb Arthofer's birthday by Dorothy Clavell.

Please join us for coffee hour immediately following worship. Thank you to Laura and Joe Kostecki, our hosts this week.

Voters Meeting today, June 11th at 11:45am in the Parish Hall.

The food pantry is currently in need of basic non-perishable foods, such as:

Cereal, peanut butter, mac and cheese, tomato sauce, tuna fish, canned chicken We thank you for any donations.

Pastor Paul Downing of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Port Jefferson Station serves as our coverage pastor. He can be reached anytime for pastoral care and emergencies at cell# 347-423-3623. If he is unable to answer, please leave a message and he will return your call as soon as possible. He can also be reached by email at <u>pastorpauldowning@yahoo.com</u>. Questions about meetings and day to day activities at St. Andrew's should still be directed to the office at 631.265.2288 or info@standrewsofsmithtown.org.

Pastor Paul Downing invites you to join him and the St. Paul's community for weekly Bible Study and/or Prayer Group.

Bible Study : 9:30am Wednesday mornings on Zoom (meeting ID 977-887-967)

Bible Study : 10:30am Wednesday mornings In Person at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Port Jefferson Station

Prayer Group: 10:30am Friday mornings In Person and via Zoom (meeting ID 800-555-016) at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER (11 June 2023) THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING:

Arthur Schaeffler [requested by the Poulos Family] Rachel Boccio, Chris Kelly, John Sullivan [requested by Dorothy & Jim Clavell] Mary Ellen Sconzo [requested by Grabrielle Sconzo] Margie Costello and the brother of Joe Costello [requested by Joe Costello & family] Bill Michalski, father in law of Jessica Davis Michalski [requested by Cindy Davis] Robert & Pat Richards, Don & Marianne Spagna [requested by Mary Fjellstad] Catherine Pernice, Bob Blagriff, Bill Davey [requested by Tom & Pat Pernice] Barbara McCanlis, Patty DeGoveia [requested by Jill Breimann] Jack & Adam Souza [requested by Laura Kostecki] Ellen Bell [requested by Dorothy Graf] Gavin Lahann[requested by Grandmother Violet Lahann] Luke Meyveci [requested by Dana Sanzone] Emilie Diehl [requested by daughters Cyndie & Kathy] Sara Larson [requested by Julie & Michael Francis] Andrew Madarasz, Gerard Tuohy [requested by Leslee & Steve Mathieson] Chris Peck, Bob Widmer, Carmine Colasanto, Richard & George Mengert [requested by Carolyn Gabelman] Tracey Parisi, Margo Naranjo, John Hochuli [requested by Barbara English] Norma Martin [requested by Sue Rorke] Marilyn Havighorst [requested by Martha Hahn] Nicholas Mauceri and Rocky Cingue [requested by Marianne Spagna] Richard Wiles [husband of Joan Wiles] Stefanie Spath [requested by Marianna Ulc and family] Kerri Swanson [requested by Linda & Jud Taylor] Andy Hazin & the Hazin family, Ilse Gunther [requested by the Hoffman family] Zach Hills [requested by Brian & Diane Marley] Bernadette Uneberg [requested by John Hinsch] David Travis [requested by Richard Travis] Carolyn Martin [requested by Linda Overton] The family of Elaine Robinson [requested by Deborah Cella] Bill Feigin [requested by Jessica Michalski] Suzie DiSanza [requested by Donna Ihlen] Viola Giovinco [requested by Liz DeLuca] Amy Kitay [requested by Diana Smiloff]

THOSE IN MILITARY SERVICE:

Sgt Eric Hodosky Captain Zachary Hinsch [nephew of Judy & John Hinsch] Major Lenore Livingston [daughter of Helen & Art Fortin] Corporal August Detting Major William Fortin