Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist Rite II: Sunday, October 1, 2023 at 10am

SERVICE NOTES: We are glad you have joined us! **If you are online**: We have posted a hymn insert, which also has other helpful information about attending online. **If you are in person**: The hymns can be found in the hymn book in the pew rack in front of you, with some of the service music printed within the text. We encourage you to sing and pray actively. Thank you and welcome!

PRELUDE

Please stand, as you are able.

OPENING HYMN H 686 "Come thou fount of every blessing" (Nettleton) In the Hymnal

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider 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.

All are invited to sing the Song of Praise.

SONG OF PRAISE LEVASII 219 "This is the day" On page 9.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING *Please be seated.*

Exodus 17:1-7

A reading from the book of Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the

place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Please join in reading from Psalm 78.

- 1 Hear my teaching, O my people; * incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable; *
 I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
- 3 That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, * we will not hide from their children.
- 4 We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God, * and the wonderful works you have done.
- 12 You worked marvels in the sight of their forebears, * in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
- 13 You split open the sea and let them pass through; * you made the waters stand up like walls.
- 14 You led them with a cloud by day, * and all the night through with a glow of fire.
- 15 You split the hard rocks in the wilderness * and gave them drink as from the great deep.
- 16 You brought streams out of the cliff, * and the waters gushed out like rivers.

Please stand, as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN EOM2 120 "Alleluia Gospel Acclamation" (South African)

On page 10.

GOSPEL Matthew 21:23-32

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"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.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON Silence is kept after the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED Please stand as you are able and join in saying the Creed.

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:

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

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.

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified; who 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 The Leader and the People pray responsively.

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Leader O Lord, our rock and our salvation, quench our spiritual thirst by the living waters of your grace.

Split the hard shell of our selfish ambitions and flood us with your living presence as we strive to

take on the mind of Christ.

(We pause, making space for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of our journeys

All We put our trust in You.

Leader O Lord, our rock and our salvation, replenish our determination to press our political leaders for

humanitarian and ecological solutions for the issues facing our community, our nation, and our

planet.

(We pause, making space for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of our journeys

All We put our trust in You.

Leader O Lord, our rock and our salvation, we pause in this moment to offer you our heartfelt

thanksgivings. We give thanks for our families, friends, colleagues, and fellow parishioners.

(We pause, making space for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of our journeys AllWe put our trust in You.

Leader O Lord, our rock and our salvation, embrace and uplift all whose priestly vocations nourish our

> spiritual development and care for our pastoral needs. We pray especially for Michael, our presiding bishop; Megan, our bishop; Pamela, our rector; Ernie, Deborah, and Margaret, our

clergy; our vestry, lay leaders, and all in this congregation.

(We pause, making space for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of our journeys We put our trust in You. All

Leader O Lord, our rock and our salvation, cradle and comfort all who suffer in body, soul, or life

circumstances, and ease the burdens of those who give them care. We now join our hearts together

to pray for those on our parish prayer list.

(The deacon shares prayer requests and then invites the congregation to add their own prayers,

either silently or aloud.)

Leader O God of our journeys We put our trust in You. All

Leader O Lord, our rock and our salvation, we give thanks for all those newly released from earthly woes

and trials, and welcomed into new life with Christ.

(We pause, making space for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.)

O God of our journeys Leader We put our trust in You. All

Presider Lord within us, Lord among us, as we journey through good times and difficult times, rejuvenate our faith and animate our desire to seek and reflect on your Word, engage in prayer-filled action, and hold fast to humble regard for others and for your creation. We ask through our Savior Jesus Christ who, with the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns with You as One God, forever and ever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. The Deacon says

Presider and People

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 our Savior 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 The Presider stands and says

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

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, with sensitivity to those who wish to maintain physical distance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see the announcement insert. We also have announcements on our website. If you do not currently receive an email from us with current news and events, contact <u>info@churchofstmartin.org</u>. Feel free to take this bulletin and/or the announcements home with you.

CELEBRATIONS AND MILESTONES *All may join in praying.*

Watch over your children O Lord, as their days increase: bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

Offertory Notes

The ushers will pass collection plates. Online giving is also available; just look for the blue "give" button on our website or the QR code near the back of this bulletin—or contact the office for more information. We are very grateful to those who have pledged and who give regularly, as well as for all plate offerings. Thank you!

OFFERTORY ANTHEMSung by the Pop-Up Choir

OFFERTORY RESPONSE (Franconia)

Please join in singing

We give thee but thine own, / Whate'er the gift may be;

All that we have is thine alone, / A trust, O God, from thee. —William Walsham Howe

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Please stand, as you are able.

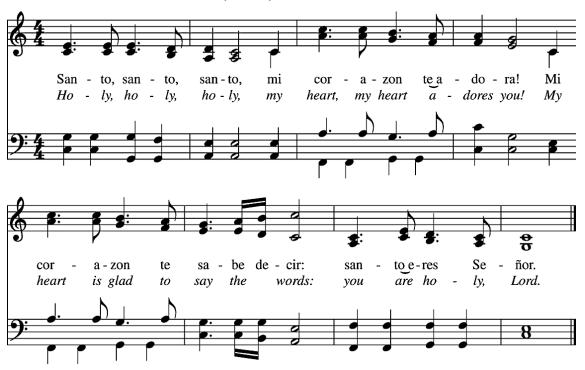
PresiderGod be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PresiderLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

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

The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS WLP 785 "Santo, Santo, Santo"



WORDS OF INSTITUTION The People stand or kneel. The Presider continues.

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, (first in Spanish and then in English,)

People and Presider

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,

santificado sea tu Nombre,

venga tu reino,

hágase tu voluntad,

en la tierra como en el cielo.

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

Perdona nuestras ofensas.

como también nosotros perdonamos a los

que nos ofenden.

No nos dejes caer en tentación

y líbranos del mal.

Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder,

y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre.

Amen.

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever.

Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Presider Alleluia. Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

About Receiving Holy Communion

All are welcome at God's table, children included. Gluten-free Communion hosts are available; please ask. Please come forward down the center aisle for Communion. Choose the station on the left for intinction by the priest. Choose the station on the right to drink from the common cup. We will not be able to intinct at the station on the right. The customary response upon receiving Communion is "Amen." Crossing your arms over your chest indicates you would like a blessing instead of Communion.

COMMUNION HYMNS

H 339 "Deck thyself, my soul in gladness"

H 439 "What wondrous love is this" (Wondrous Love)

In the Hymnal In the Hymnal

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of our Savior Jesus Christ,

and you have fed us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of Christ's 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 Savior. Amen.

BLESSING *The Presider offers a blessing and the People respond Amen.*

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN H 344 "Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing" (Sicilian Mariners)

In the Hymnal

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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We acknowledge the land on which we are gathered. For thousands of years, this land has been the home of Patwin people. Today, there are three federally recognized Patwin tribes: Cachil Dehe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community, Kletsel Dehe Wintun Nation, and Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. The Patwin people have remained committed to the stewardship of this land over many centuries. It has been cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands.

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LEVASII 219 "This is the day"



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EOM2 120 "Alleluia Gospel Acclamation" (South African)



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