

# St. Monica's Episcopal Church

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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 20

September 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

The Service begins with the Lighting of the Candles and the Organ Voluntary.  
Please use this time for *silent prayer* and *meditation*.

## Voluntary

*Prelude on Rhosymedre*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

(Based on the text of Hymn 458: *My Song is Love Unknown*)

## Welcome and Announcements

### Hymn in Procession

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

Hymn 408

## Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
*People* Glory to God fore ever and ever.

## Song of Praise

Canticle 13: *Benedictus es, Domine*

John Rutter, S - 236

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

## Collect of the Day

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

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Word of God

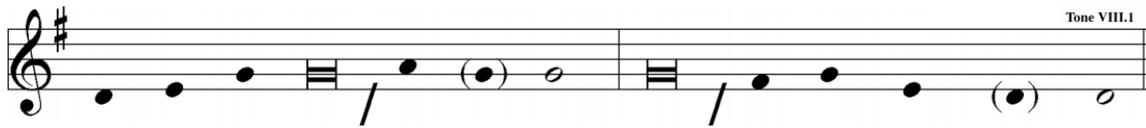
*Please Be Seated*

### The First Lesson

Jeremiah 11 : 18 - 20

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!" But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

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



- 1 Save me, O God, by your / Name;\*  
in your / might, defend my cause.
- 2 Hear my / prayer, O God;\*  
give ear to the / words of my mouth.
- 3 For the arrogant have risen up against me, and the ruthless have / sought my life,\*  
those who have / no regard for God.
- 4 Behold, God is my / helper;\*  
it is the Lord / who sustains my life.
- 5 Render evil to those who / spy on me;\*  
in your faithful/ness, destroy them.
- 6 I will offer you a freewill / sacrifice\*  
and praise your Name, O / LORD, for it is good.
- 7 For you have rescued me from every / trouble,\*  
and my eye has seen the / ruin of my foes.

## The Second Lesson

James 3 : 13 – 4 : 3, 7 – 8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Reader            The Word of the Lord.  
People            Thanks be to God.

*Please Stand*

## Gradual Hymn

*O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

Hymn 660

## The Gospel

Mark 9 : 30 – 37

Celebrant        The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
People            Glory to you Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and

taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

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

## The Sermon

The Rev. Jonathan W. Evans

*Please Stand*

## The Nicene 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: 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.*

*Please Stand or Kneel*

## The Prayers of the People

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 all bishops, priests, and deacons.

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

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.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief, sickness, or trouble; especially for: Bobby, Jon DeBlare and Connie Hoff.

*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest.

*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

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, especially those who are serving in our Armed Forces: Katie Coston, Noah Evans, Sal Filardi Jr, Dane Grauer, Devin Harrity, Emma McHenry, Kate McHenry-Evans, Schaeffer McHenry-Grauer, Troy Nelson, Tristan Pate, James Pyles, Doug Ross, Drew Scullard, Daniel Williams, Peter Witte, and those celebrating anniversaries this week: John and Lorri Jacobs.

Silence

## Concluding Collect

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

## Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence may be observed.*

*All* God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. **Amen.**

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

*Please Stand*

**Amen.**

## The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

## The Holy Communion

### Offertory Sentence

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

### During the Offering

5 PM

*Lord of All Hopefulness, Lord of All Joy*

Hymn 482

10 AM

*Cantate Domino*

Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

( Psalm 98: Sing to the Lord a New Song )

St. Monica's Choir

*Please Stand*

### Offertory Hymn

*The Doxology with Alleluias*

Tune: *Lasst uns erfreuen*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant continues:*

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

## Sanctus and Benedictus

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

David Hurd, S - 124

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*The Celebrant continues:*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

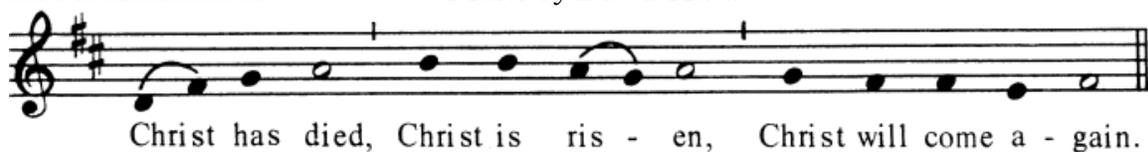
On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

## Memorial Acclamation

*Music by David Hurd*



*The Celebrant continues:*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Monica and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

## Great Amen

*Music by David Hurd*



## The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant      And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
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.*

## Fraction Anthem

*God's Paschal Lamb*

WLP 880, vs. 1    Tune: *Sine nomine*

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us; Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;  
forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Prayer for Spiritual Communion (10:00 AM)

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all  
things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood,  
come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be  
separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. *Amen.*

*You are invited and encouraged to come to God's table. The communion bread is received on an outstretched palm.  
If you wish to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest.*

## During Communion

*Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*

Hymn 602

*Please Stand*

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;  
that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

## The Blessing

Celebrant      God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring  
be with you, now and always. *Amen.*

## The Dismissal

Celebrant      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

## Hymn in Procession

*All Are Welcome*

by Marty Haugen, Tune: *Two Oaks*

Please see last page for the music and lyrics of this Hymn.

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## Voluntary

*If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee*  
( Based on Hymn 635 )

Johann Sebastian Bach



1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and  
 2. Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and  
 3. Let us build a house where love is found in  
 4. Let us build a house where hands will reach be -  
 5. Let us build a house where all are named, their



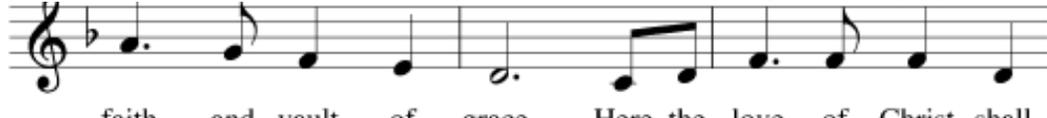
all can safe - ly live. A place where saints and  
 words are strong and true. Where all God's chil - dren  
 wa - ter, wine and wheat; A ban - quet hall on  
 yond the wood and stone, To heal and strength - en,  
 songs and vi - sions heard And loved and treas - ured,



chil - dren tell how hearts learn to for -  
 dare to seek to dream God's reign a -  
 ho - ly ground, where peace and jus - tice  
 serve and teach, and live the Word they've  
 taught and claimed as words with - in the



give. Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions, rock of  
 new. Here the cross shall stand as wit - ness and as  
 meet. Here the love of God, through Je - sus, is re -  
 known. Here the out - cast and the stran - ger bears the  
 Word. Built of tears and cries and laugh - ter, prayers of



faith and vault of grace, Here the love of Christ shall  
 sym - bol of God's grace; Here as one we claim the  
 vealed in time and space, As we share in Christ the  
 im - age of God's face, Let us bring an end to  
 faith and songs of grace. Let this house pro - claim from



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 faith of Je - sus;  
 feast that frees us;  
 fear and dan - ger:  
 floor to raft - er: } All are wel - come, all are wel - come,



all are wel - come in this place.