

Sherwood Episcopal Church

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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 10 am

July 25, 2021 Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Watch live on our Facebook page and our website at 10 am, and on our YouTube channel after the service.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude Fantaisie in C major, Op.16: I. Poco lento III. Quasi lento IV. Adagio César Franck

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Nancy H. Hennessey, Rector

Please stand as you are able.

THE OPENING SENTENCES

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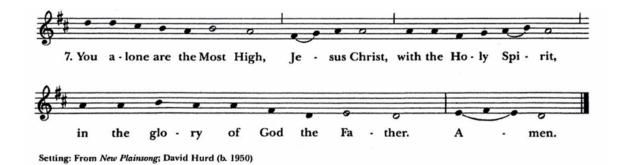
Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

- 10 All your works praise you, O LORD, * and your faithful servants bless you.
- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom * and speak of your power;
- 12 That the peoples may know of your power * and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; * your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The LORD is faithful in all his words * and merciful in all his deeds.
- 15 The LORD upholds all those who fall; * he lifts up those who are bowed down.
- 16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, * and you give them their food in due season.
- 17 You open wide your hand * and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
- 18 The LORD is righteous in all his ways * and loving in all his works.
- 19 The LORD is near to those who call upon him, * to all who call upon him faithfully.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL AFFIRMATION



THE HOLY GOSPEL John 6:1-21

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

Seminarian Karen Mercer St. Mary's Ecumenical Institute

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Said by all, standing as you are able.

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

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this town of Cockeysville, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We especially pray for those impacted by COVID-19 as well as those on our parish prayer list: Sally, Debbie, Shannon, Jeff & Kim, Norma, Joyce, Christine, Kendall, Marge, Sarah, Joe, Gail, Steve W., Michelle, Joe G., Steve & Debbie, Jeanetta, Christina, Khalil, Samantha, Courtney, Debbie H., Danny, Sandy & Jack, Virginia, Jacqui, Susie H., Linda P., Timothy, Barbara Y., Bill H., Margaret S. & family, Jackie & Rick, Louis, David D., Caitlyn, Alice, Guy, Shannon T., Marisa, Jay, Debbie R., Tom T., and Bill & his family. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the blessings of this life, especially for those celebrating birthdays including Suzie, as well as anniversaries, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

Concluding Collect:

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The people will greet one another with a sign of God's peace. Don't forget to show the sign of peace to our friends who are worshiping with us virtually.

Please be seated.

We continue to do God's work and your contributions of any size make a huge difference. <u>Give online</u> (sherwoodcockeysville.org/give) or if you would prefer, mail your contribution to 5 Sherwood Road, Cockeysville, 21030. Thank you!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please remain seated in your pew and Mother Nancy will come to you during the Eucharist. If you would prefer a blessing in lieu of Communion, please cross your arms on your chest.

OFFERTORY

Panis angelicus - César Franck

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B - BCP pg. 361

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

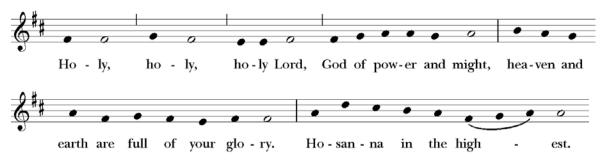
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant offers thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available in Christ, and in response the people sing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS - S124





Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

The Celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prayers over the bread and wine.

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic prayer and at the conclusion says 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 forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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The Celebrant says

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

People and Celebrant

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

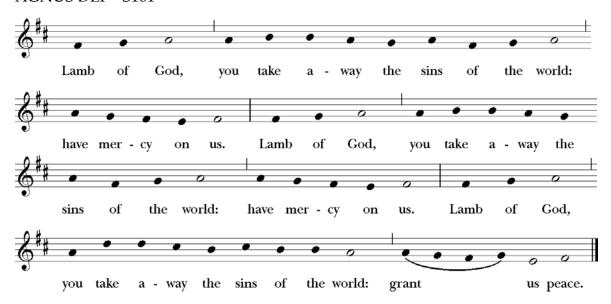
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

AGNUS DEI - S161



For those who are not able to be present for communion, please pray the Spiritual Communion Prayer while Mother Nancy distributes communion to those present.

COMMUNION HYMN

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus

1 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, and to take him at his word; just to rest upon his promise, and to know, "Thus saith the Lord." Refrain: Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces (1988)

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, Lord Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. And since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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Let us pray.

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.

The Celebrant pronounces a blessing over the people, and the people respond, Amen.

1 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful Name; the Name all-victorious of Jesus extol: his kingdom is glorious; he rules over all.

2 God ruleth on high, almighty to save; and still he is nigh: his presence we have. The great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

3 Salvation to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

4 Then let us adore, and give him his right: All glory and power, all wisdom and might, and honor and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never-ceasing and infinite love.

THE DISMISSAL

As we go forth into the world, refreshed and renewed, we reaffirm our commitment to our mission as a congregation:

God commands us to enthusiastically cast open our doors to embrace all, impacting lives through bold service, no exceptions.

Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia. Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude Larghetto (Variae Preces, Part 2, Dix Pièces en style libre, Op. 21)

Charles Tournemire

Worship Participants

Officiant: The Reverend Nancy H. Hennessey

Preacher: Seminarian Karen Mercer Music Director & Organist: Greg Sesek

Cantor: Cassidy Dixon

Lector: Loretta Cunninghame Acolyte: Greg Syzmaszek Ushers: Bill & Karyn Galetto

Broadcast Engineer: Stephanie Everts

Hospitality: Greg Sesek

Lay Participants for Sunday, August 1

Lector: Laure Covert

Acolyte: Seminarian Karen Mercer

Usher: Kevin Hennessey

Broadcast Engineer: Anne Wismer

Hospitality: Anne Wismer

Thank you for joining us for worship. Please be sure to check out our Facebook page for updates and also remember to subscribe to our YouTube channel. If you are interested in receiving our e-newsletter, please contact Carey Mednick at sherwoodparish@gmail.com.

This Week at Sherwood & Upcoming Events

Sunday

Hospitality Hour outside by the church entrance after the service

Monday

Office closed

Wednesday

Mother Nancy Office Hours 10 am-3 pm Campus Imperatives Meeting 10 am, Church Wing

Saturday Private Family Interment for Doug Turnbull, Druid Ridge @ 11:30 am



This week's music features the works of French composers, César Franck (1822-1890) and Charles Tournemire (1870-1939), both organists at the Basilica of Saint Clotilde in the 7th arrondissement, Paris. St. Clotilde, built in 1857, is famous for its organ built by Aristide Cavaillé-Coll in 1859, one of the most distinguished organ builders of all time, inventor of the symphonic organ. This type of organ is built on a rich foundation of tone and was a departure from the classical organ, which favored playing music of the Baroque. The symphonic organ is powerful and imitates sounds of the orchestra, such as string tone, trumpets, clarinet, oboes, and flutes, and is capable of quick crescendo and diminuendo. Cesar Franck was organist at St. Clotilde less than a year when the famous Cavaillé-Coll instrument was installed. This instrument would meet its master in Franck. A new musical language was born and organ building was forever changed.

A Romantic composer of great harmonic complexity noted to be influenced by Richard Wagner, Franck's typically lengthy works took a "cyclic form," where main melodic subjects are recalled in later movements. The Belgian born Franck became a French national in order to take his appointment as professor at the Paris Conservatoire in 1872. Amiable by nature, Franck was a popular teacher who eschewed rules and theory he found restrictive, his students calling him *Père Franck*, or "Father Franck." Crowds packed the masses at St. Clotilde to hear Franck's improvisations, some of which doubtless formed his organ works. Regarded by some to be the most significant composer for organ after J.S. Bach, Franck composed a mere twelve works for organ. Franck's most enduring work,

Panis angelicus (Bread of heaven), from *Messe à 3 voix* (1859), is this morning's offertory, sung by Cassidy Dixon.

One of Franck's students, Charles Tournemire, who would become his successor as organist at St. Clotilde, though not his direct successor, was a gifted improviser at the organ on themes from Gregorian chant. His most popular work, due to their being of moderate difficulty and accessible to parish organists, is a set of pieces called *L'Orgue mystique*. Tournemire recorded the works of Franck in the 1930s on the St. Clotilde organ. He also recorded five improvisations which were later transcribed by Maurice Duruflé.

Get a Free Chicken Sandwich!

Local Chik-fil-a restaurants are coming together to help the Student Support Network. When you bring a school supply donation to Chik-fil-a on July 26 through July 31, you'll receive a free Chik-fil-a Chicken Sandwich! Participating locations include Cockeysville, Hunt Valley, and Towson Town Center. The rules: one sandwich per total donation. Thanks for supporting the SSN!

Updating Our Prayer List:

A few weeks ago, Karen Mercer our seminarian, wrote that Sherwood is a praying community and as a praying community, our pastoral care team is looking at how to best serve those on our prayer list. We want to make sure that those who submitted names and those whose names are on the prayer list are cared for. It is very reassuring when we know others are concerned and praying for us and a loved one. Therefore, during the month of August, we will be checking in with those who submitted names to be on the prayer list. The pastoral care team wants to know how things are going and if there are any additional needs–such as a need for a prayer shawl, help with a meal, or a call from Mother Nancy.

Our plan is to keep a person's name on the prayer list for four weeks. Their name will be printed in the bulletin and read aloud during the Prayers of the People on Sunday. After four weeks, their name will be rotated off *or* moved to a long-term prayer list. These names will be listed in the Sunday bulletin, but not read during

the Prayers of the People. It is our hope that the names on both prayer lists will be prayed by *you* during your daily prayers. Remember prayers are a vital part of being in community and no one can have more than enough prayers.

By the month of September, we hope to complete the transition and the two prayer lists will be in our Sunday bulletin. In the meantime, continue to submit your prayer requests to Carey Mednick. (sherwoodparish@gmail.com) She will continue to monitor the prayer list. Thank you!

Vacations Coming Up:

It appears the month of August in the month that all of our staff will be taking vacations. Thankfully, not all at the same time. Karen and Carey will be out of the office the first week of August. Mother Nancy the second week of August and Greg during part of the third and fourth week of August. The Reverend Joanne Tetrault will be our preacher and celebrant during the two Sundays that Mother Nancy is gone. Greg will have a substitute organist as well.

Changes to Our E-Newsletter:

We will be redesigning our e-newsletter. Therefore, for the first two weeks of August we will send out a pared-down version of our e-news. Beginning the third week of August, we will launch an updated e-newsletter that isn't as COVID-focused. If you remember, our current format was designed at the beginning of COVID in an effort to maintain a consistent connection to each other and to disseminate COVID information. Stay tuned!

Free Spiritual Wellness Health Fair:

The Peoples' Community Lutheran Church at 6200 Loch Raven Blvd., will host their 2021 Spiritual Wellness Fair on Saturday, July 31 from 10 am to 4 pm. Free screenings include blood pressure, blood sugar, hepatitis B and C, and cholesterol along with information on diabetes, prostate health, breast cancer prevention/treatment, and much more. Also during the event, the church will celebrate the dedication of The Peoples' Rain Garden with fun bioretention activities as well as storm water, environmental practice, landscape plan, and water audit information. Contact the church at 410-532-8001 for more details.



Storms and Miracles by Seminarian Karen Mercer

While being with Mother Nancy and Carey this week at the office during a quick summer rainstorm, memories from my childhood flashed through my mind. As a child, I loved to hear the rain hit against the windows of our house. I can remember my mother and grandmother unplugging all appliances as thunder followed the lightning that lit up the sky, and I remember us all sitting together in one room until the storm was over. I remember the nights when the thunder woke me from a deep sleep, and I would run into my Mom and Dad's room for the safety of their presence. While sitting in the office with Mother Nancy and Carey, the small, quick bursts of anxiety were quieted once again by the presence of others.

So it is with the storms of life. Those unexpected times when we find ourselves in a storm, not an environmental storm, but a storm of life experiences: illnesses, financial difficulties, broken relationships, a pandemic, racial, and social injustices, an increase in depression, and a plethora of other circumstances that can shake our peace, turn our lives upside down, and increase our levels of fear and anxiety. (continued on the back)

Such was the case with the disciples as they crossed the Sea of Galilee. Yesterday the Gospel reading for the day was from Mark 4:35-41, and Jesus said to the storm those familiar words: "Peace! Be Still." We will hear from John's Gospel on Sunday an eyewitness account of the storm the disciples found themselves in and with another view of Jesus' words of comfort.

This morning, we will experience both miracles and storms from John's perspective. Hint: Jesus is with us in both the mystery of miracles and the storms of life.