

**Holy Eucharist, Rite Two**  
**October 18, 2020**  
**The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 24, Year A**

Please keep your mask on except when receiving Communion.  
Please maintain 6 feet social distance, except for members of the same household.  
**Thank you!**

**Organ Prelude**

*From God Shall Naught Divide Me*

Johann Sebastian Bach

**Entrance of the Ministers** (*stand*)

**Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity** (*BCP 355*)

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

*People:* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* 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.**

**Gloria in excelsis** (*BCP 356; spoken*)

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The Lessons** (*Exodus 33:12–23; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1:1–10; sit*)

*Reader:* A Reading from Exodus.

Moses said to the LORD, “See, you have said to me, ‘Bring up this people’; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.’ Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” He said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” And he said to him, “If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.”

The LORD said to Moses, “I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.” Moses said, “Show me your glory, I pray.” And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The LORD’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But,” he said, “you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.” And the LORD continued, “See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

(*Psalm 99, said responsively*)

The LORD is King; let the people tremble; \*

**he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.**

The LORD is great in Zion; \*

**he is high above all peoples.**

Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \*

**he is the Holy One.**

“O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; \*

**you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.”**

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and fall down before his footstool; \*

**he is the Holy One.**

Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \*

**they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.**

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*

**they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.**

O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; \*

**you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him upon his holy hill; \*

**for the LORD our God is the Holy One.**

*Reader:* A Reading from First Thessalonians.

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in

Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**The Gospel** (*Matthew 22:15–22; stand*)

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

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

*Gospeller:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon** (*sit*)

**The Nicene Creed** (*BCP 358; stand*)

*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, Form VI with Confession (BCP 392; stand or kneel)**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For [\_\_\_\_\_], and for] this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For [the victims of fire, hurricanes, and other disasters; for local officials and relief workers, including Brian Larson;  
and for] all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For [\_\_\_\_\_], and] for the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For [\_\_\_\_\_],] and for all bishops and other ministers;

*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for the care and healing of \_\_\_\_\_  
and all others in our hearts and minds.

For peace and good government in all the nations of the world, especially in Belarus, North Korea, North  
and Central Africa, and the Middle East.

Hear us, Lord.

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for [\_\_\_\_\_], and for] all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, [especially \_\_\_\_\_;] that they  
may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Leader and People*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

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** (*stand*)

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

*People:* **And also with you.**

*The People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*Kindly avoid physical contact, except for members of the same household.*

## **Announcements**

### **Birthday and Anniversary Prayers**

**BIRTHDAY:** Watch over your child **Rudy Mathews**, O Lord, as his days increase. May he increase in wisdom, and in stature, and in favor with God and man; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY:** Grant your blessing, O Lord, to your servants \_\_\_\_\_, and assist them with your grace, that with true fidelity and steadfast love, they may continue to honor and keep their vows and promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**GENERAL ANNIVERSARY:** Look with favor, O Lord, upon your servants \_\_\_\_\_ affirming commitment to Christ. Give them courage, patience, and vision; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**ABSENCE DUE TO TRAVEL:** Watch over your servants \_\_\_\_\_, O Lord, while they are apart from us, and keep them safe until we are reunited with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*All Christians are welcome at St. Alban's communion rail.*

*Due to the pandemic, communion is offered in the form of bread only. Communion bread will be brought to the parish hall so that those worshipping there may receive.*

*In the nave: Those in the left and right sections will receive first. Come toward the altar using the two center aisles, maintaining 6 feet distance between persons. Those in the center section will follow, beginning with persons seated at the rear of that section. After receiving the consecrated bread, return to your place using the side aisles at far left and right.*

*In the parish hall: Come to the front using the center aisle, maintaining 6 feet distance between persons. After receiving the consecrated bread, return to your place using the side aisles at left and right.*

**At 8:00: Organ Voluntary** (*sit*)

*From God Shall Naught Divide Me*

Dieterich Buxtehude

**At 10:00: Anthem** (*sit*)

*Before the Lord's Eternal Throne*  
Paul Ballas, soloist

anonymous

**The Great Thanksgiving** (*Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP 367; stand*)

*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.**

*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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*(The people stand or kneel.)*

*Celebrant:* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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

*Celebrant:* And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Alban and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

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

**All: 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.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread, Great Silence and Fraction Anthem**

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

*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.

### **The Communion**

**Organ Voluntary** *From God Shall Naught Divide Me (2 verses)* Johann Gottfried Walther

### **Post-Communion Prayer (BCP 366)**

**All: 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.**

**Blessing** (*congregation responds "Amen."*)

**Dismissal** (*congregation responds "Thanks be to God."*)

**Organ Postlude** *From God Shall Naught Divide Me* Buxtehude

## THIS WEEK AT ST. ALBAN'S

Parish Office open Monday–Friday, 8:30–1:00

Sunday, October 18	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II (limited to 50 persons in the church and 50 in the parish hall)
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II (limited to 50 persons in the church and 50 in the parish hall; service may also be viewed live via Facebook—access from <a href="http://www.stalbansaz.org">http://www.stalbansaz.org</a> )
	11:00 a.m.	Holy Communion available in the church parking lot until 11:30 a.m. while bread remains
	11:00 a.m.	Recorded Eucharist service available via Facebook and YouTube—access from parish website <a href="http://www.stalbansaz.org">http://www.stalbansaz.org</a>
	3:00 p.m.	Presentation by Steve Keyl on Bach's <i>Orgelbüchlein</i> . View on Facebook or YouTube via parish website <a href="http://www.stalbansaz.org">http://www.stalbansaz.org</a>
Monday, October 19	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday, October 20	8:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, Rite II (online only; service may be viewed live via Facebook)
	1:00 p.m.	Reading with the Rector
Wednesday, October 21	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with Prayers for Healing
Friday, October 23	12:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study

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