

---

# St. Raphael's

## Episcopal Church

5607 Williams Drive – Fort Myers Beach, Florida 33931 – Office phone: 239-463-6057

**August 28, 2022, 10:00 am**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite II**

---

*The musical prelude is a time to center down - to quiet mind, body and soul.  
We invite you to take a few moments to prepare for the worship ahead.*

**Prelude**

*from Sonata K. 492*

*Domenico Scarlatti*

**Processional Hymn**

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise  
Verses 1 and 3*

*Hymnal 423*

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.*

*To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree,  
then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.*

### **The Gathering of the People**

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

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

Amen.

*The Celebrant prays aloud, the People pray in their hearts*

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**

*All together in unison*

*Book of Common Prayer page 356*

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.

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

*People* Amen.

## First Reading

*Sirach 10:12-18*

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 112

Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord  
and have great delight in his commandments!

Their descendants will be mighty in the land;  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.  
Wealth and riches will be in their house,  
and their righteousness will last for ever.

Light shines in the darkness for the upright;  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.  
It is good for them to be generous in lending  
and to manage their affairs with justice.

For they will never be shaken;  
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.  
They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;  
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.

Their heart is established and will not shrink,  
until they see their desire upon their enemies.  
They have given freely to the poor,  
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;  
they will hold up their head with honor.

The wicked will see it and be angry;  
they will gnash their teeth and pine away;  
the desires of the wicked will perish.

## Second Reading

*Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16*

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Reader     The Word of the Lord.

People     Thanks be to God.

## Gradual Hymn

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God*  
*Verse 1*

*Hymn 711*

## **Gospel Reading**

*Luke 14:1, 7-14*

*Priest*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People*        Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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

## **Gradual Hymn**

*Ask and it shall be given unto you*  
*Verse 2*

*Hymn 711*

## **The Sermon**

*The Rev. Jean Hite*

## 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.

## The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Almighty and Eternal God, your Holy Spirit moved over the waters in the beginning of creation. You formed the heavens and the earth in all their vast array. Form us in the likeness of your Son Jesus, that we may grow in the knowledge and love of you and follow where you lead

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Bring peace to this broken world, that we may learn to honor and respect one another.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Comfort the sick, the lonely, the hungry, the homeless, those who grieve and those who suffer. We hold up before you those who have asked for our prayers.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Embrace those who have died that they may be welcomed into your kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Bless the community of Ft. Myers Beach. Build it into the kingdom of God among us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Reconcile all races and peoples so that we may live together in the unity that you envision.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Give us the wisdom and the discipline to nurture and maintain this planet, our island home.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

*Priest adds a concluding Collect.*

## **Confession of Sin**

*Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister 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 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.

*The Priest 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**

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

*People* And also with you.

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

*Online:* To give online [click here \(PayPal\)](#) or [click here \(Vanco\)](#)

*Check:* Mail your offering to St. Raphael's Episcopal Church, 5601 Williams Drive, Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931



## Offertory Hymn

*Amazing grace  
Verses 1, 2 and 3*

*Hymnal 691*

*Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!*

*I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.*

*'Twas grace first taught my heart to fear  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!*

*The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.*

## The Great Thanksgiving

Book of Common Prayer, page 369, Eucharistic Prayer C

*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* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*People* **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

*Celebrant* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*People* **By your will they were created and have their being.**

*Celebrant* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*People* **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

*Celebrant* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*People* **By his blood, he reconciled us.  
By his wounds, we are healed.**

*Celebrant* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**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 Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

*Celebrant* Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*People* **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

*Celebrant* Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*People* **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

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

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### **Fraction hymn**

*There is a balm in Gilead  
There is a balm in Gilead,  
To make the wounded whole,  
There is a balm in Gilead  
To heal the sin-sick soul.*

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God . . .

*The ministers receive the Sacrament and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

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**

## **Announcements**

## **Closing Hymn**

*Lead on, Oh King eternal  
Verses 1, 2 and 3*

*Hymnal 555*

*Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come;  
henceforth in fields of conquest thy tents shall be our home:  
through days of preparation thy grace has made us strong,  
and now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.*

*Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace;  
for not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums,  
but deeds of love and mercy, the heavenly kingdom comes.*

*Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears;  
for gladness breaks like morning where'er thy face appears.  
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light:  
the crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!*

## **Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## **Postlude**

*Giga from Sonata 9, Op. 5*

*Archangelo Corelli*

---

*Our worship has ended. Now our service begins!*