



# The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

12 November 2023

10:15 a.m.

Voluntary *Aria*

David Ashley White

Hymn 48

*Es flog eins kleins Waldvögelein*

## Opening Sentences & Collect for Purity

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

**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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 Gloria

David Hurd



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



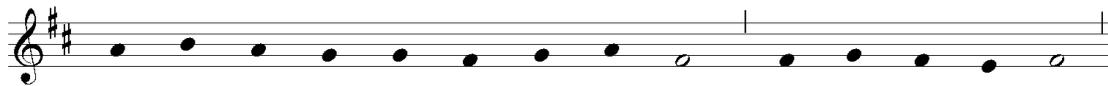
2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



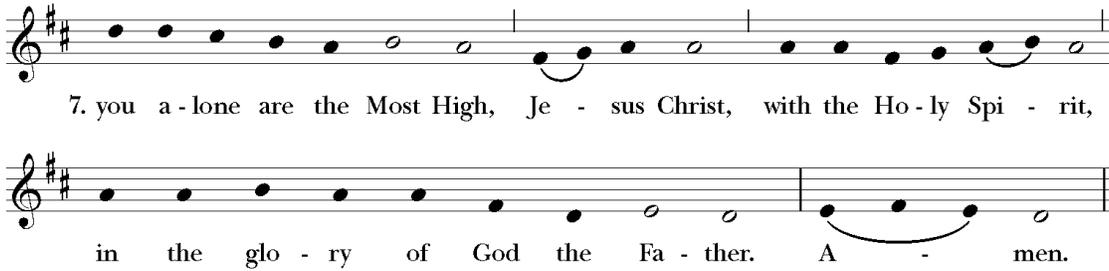
4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



**The Collect of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The First Reading**

Joshua 24:1–3a, 14 –25

*Reader* A reading from Joshua.

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, “Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: ‘Long ago your ancestors — Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor — lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.’ Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.” But Joshua said to the people, “You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good.” And the people said to Joshua, “No, we will serve the Lord!” Then Joshua said to the people, “You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him.” And they said, “We are witnesses.” He said, “Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel.” The people said to Joshua, “The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey.” So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Psalm 78:1–7**

*The psalm is sung by the choir.*

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 the power of the Lord,  
and the wonderful works he has done.
5. He gave his decrees to Jacob and established a law for Israel,  
which he commanded them to teach their children;
6. That the generations to come might know, and the children yet unborn;  
that they in their turn might tell it to their children;
7. So that they might put their trust in God,  
and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his commandments;

**The Second Reading**

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

*Reader* A reading from First Thessalonians.

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the Word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel’s call and with the sound of God’s trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Alleluia Verse**

*The congregation repeats the antiphon after it is introduced, and then again following the chanted verse.*

**Andante** ♩ = 72



A - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

**The Gospel**

Matthew 25:1–13

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

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

Jesus said, “The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon**

*A brief silence follows.*

## 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: 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 and the Son, 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.**

## The Prayers of the People

That this day may be holy, good, and joyful:

**We pray to you, O Lord.**

That we may offer to you our worship and our work:

**We pray to you, O Lord.**

That we may strive for the well-being of all creation:

**We pray to you, O Lord.**

That in the pleasures and pains of life, we may know the love of Christ and be thankful:

**We pray to you, O Lord.**

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit, in communion with Blessed Mary, Blessed John, and all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ:

**We pray to you, O Lord.**

We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; & Jennifer our Bishop; for our clergy, staff, and vestry; for the Diocese of Brasilia and their Bishop Mauricio and the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon; for the Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola, and St. James, Vincennes.

We pray for the people of Israel and Palestine; for hostages and all innocent civilians in harms' way; for peace in all places of conflict; for the victims of violence; and for repair, understanding, and healing across our nation and in our community. We pray for all those commended to our prayers including those we name together:

**Rosemarie Goonewardene, Sue Eichhorn, Don Nead, Janet Huber, Ginny Hull, Dean Hunter, Pam Ogorzaly, Barbara Hess, Helen Slagel, Paul Lawson, Pequita Behrndt, Douglas Campbell, Carolyn Speer, Carol Helgerman, John Howland, Alyce Dressler, John & Elizabeth Barrett, Bill McInerney, Jerry & Sandra, Terry, Lori, Martie, Joy, Ben, Judy, Rhianna, Josh, Chris, Rosemary, Deb, Paul, Marcus, Ben, Brent, Gabby, Kirsten, Pam, Wendell, Charles, and their families,** and for those we name now either silently or aloud....

We pray for all who have died, including Sherry, Bobby and those buried in the St. John's Memorial Garden, and those we name now either silently or aloud....

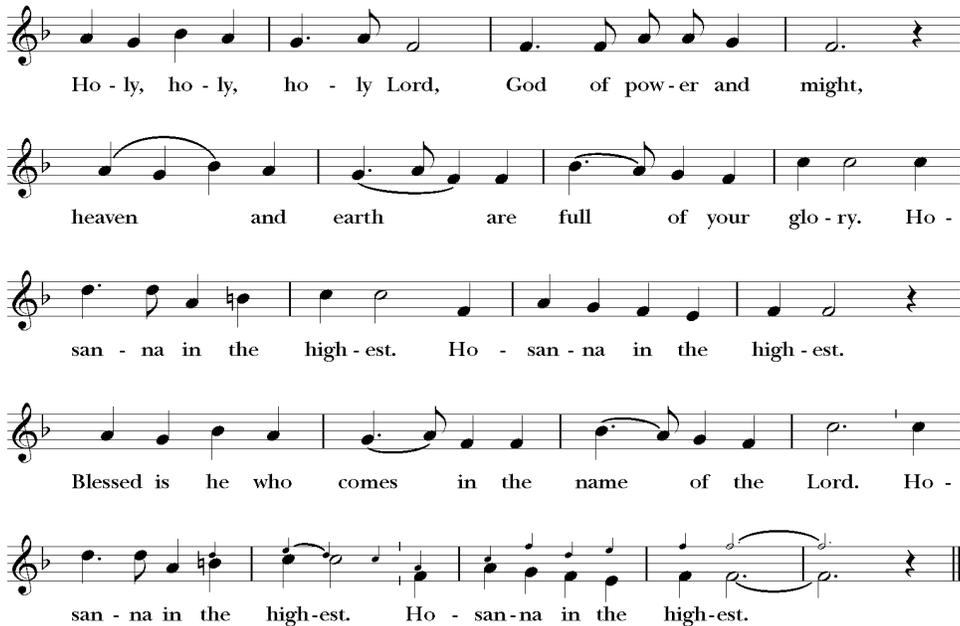
Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

## *The presider concludes the prayers*

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace to your church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The presider continues*

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all. He 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 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The presider continues*

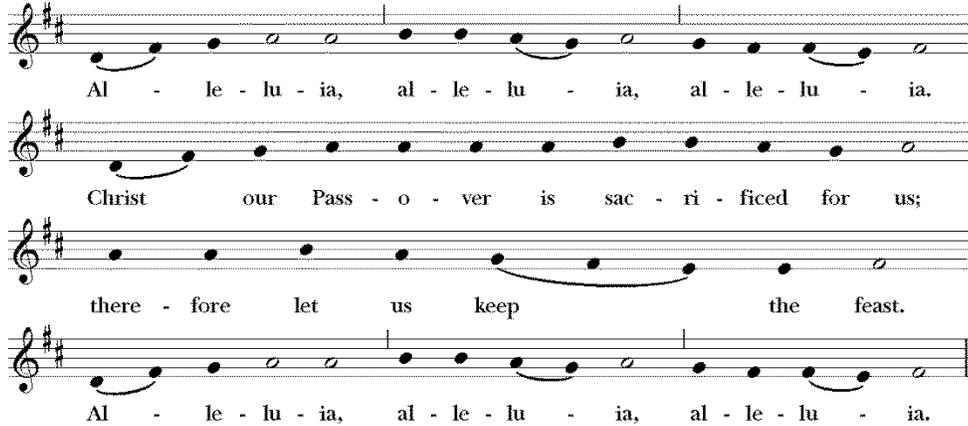
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,  
**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 for ever. Amen.**

### The Breaking the Bread



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### The Invitation & Communion of the People

*The consecrated Bread and Wine are living signs of the presence of Christ in this gathering. All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion; however, no one who comes forward will be refused. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please ask when you come forward.*

### Music during Communion

Hymn 324  
Hymn 306

*Picardy  
Sursum Corda*

### The Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his 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 Lord. Amen.**

### The Blessing

*The Presider blesses the people, and they respond*  
**Amen.**

Hymn 436

*Truro*

### The Dismissal

*A member of the clergy dismisses the people, and they respond*  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Voluntary** *Now Thank We All Our God*

Sigfried Karg-Elert

*Our worship has ended. Our service begins.*



## Those Serving

<b>Presider</b>	Bradley Pace
<b>MC</b>	George Moore
<b>Acolyte</b>	Kyle Tribbett
<b>Lectors</b>	Heather Johnston Nicholson, Kristine Holtvedt
<b>LEM</b>	Dawn Niccum, Lane Johnson
<b>Ushers</b>	Dorinda Kueberth, Jack Kueberth
<b>Counters</b>	Stephanie Amador Tribbett, Becky Dick
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Elizabeth White, Jennifer Chandler, Jo Roberts, Kathy Johnson, Sharon Evander, Stephanie Amador Tribbett, Carl Taylor



## Welcome

**May today's worship give you a sense of Christ's peace and inspire you to God's service.**

**We welcome the full participation of children in our worship. Activity bags** are located at the rear of the church and may help them during the liturgy. Please return the bags after the service. **We also offer nursery care during the service.** If you feel it is more comfortable for your child to be in childcare, an usher can direct you to the nursery.

**St. John's has a Hearing Loop system**, which allows those wearing appropriate hearing aids to receive the church's sound system directly. If you wear a hearing aid, you may need your audiologist to activate the T-coil in your device.

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## New To St. John's?

**We're glad you're here.**

If you are visiting with us, we invite you to worship, explore, ask questions, and help yourself to all our parish has to offer. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to an usher, a member of the clergy, or by filling out a guest card. Please visit [stjohns-laf.org/guest](http://stjohns-laf.org/guest) or use the QR code.



## Parish Announcements

### Children's Chapel—begins TODAY, November 12

Children's Chapel is an opportunity to show the kids what being an Episcopalian is all about. Chapel is open to any children registered in Sunday school. Registration is simple and can be done here [www.stjohns-laf.org/cfregistration/](http://www.stjohns-laf.org/cfregistration/).

- 9:00-9:15 a.m. – Godly Play drop off in 2nd floor Art room. Snack provided.
- 10:00-10:15 a.m. – Godly Play pick up, Children's Chapel drop off, and break period.
- 10:15 a.m. – Chapel begins. Children are returned to parents at the Peace.

### Flowers at the Altar

Cynthia Stauffacher has given the flowers at the Altar today in memory of her sister, Sherry Rawson.

### Revamping “Coffee Hour”

As part of a project for the College for Congregational Development, St. John's is collecting information regarding coffee hour, and we need your help. Please take a few moments to answer the questions displayed in St. John's Commons. Look for the easels. Look in your email inboxes for a parish-wide survey, too. Thanks in advance for your help.

### Next Sunday at 10:15 a.m. – Bishop-Elect Kristin White

Kristin White will be with us at the 10:15 a.m. service. Kristin is the former Canon for Congregational Development in the Diocese of Indianapolis and Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

### Turkeys for the Feast: Supporting the LUM Community Thanksgiving Celebration

St. John's will support the LUM Community Thanksgiving Celebration by providing 10 cooked turkeys for the feast. Please consider helping out by cooking a turkey or two. St. John's will provide the turkeys and foil pans. Turkeys and pans will be available this week. Please return the cooked meat—off the bone—to St. John's by Wednesday, November 22 at 4:00 p.m. Go to <https://forms.gle/buF9jYwH4mh4zrvo6> OR use the form in the kitchen to sign up. For more information, contact the church office at 765.742.4079 or [teresa@stjohns-laf.org](mailto:teresa@stjohns-laf.org).

### Greater Lafayette Episcopal Youth Group

Youth in 6th through 12th grades are invited for fun and fellowship.

- Sunday, November 19, 2-4 p.m. at Good Shepherd
- Saturday, December 2, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Jubilee Christmas Shopping, etc. (More details coming)

In December, we'll meet to shop for Jubilee Christmas and for a pre-Christmas party. For more information, go to [www.stjohns-laf.org/youth](http://www.stjohns-laf.org/youth) or contact the church office.

### Jubilee Christmas is Coming!

Jubilee Christmas will be in-person at St. John's, Lafayette on Saturday, December 9th. St. John's and Good Shepherd will host 40 families in two shifts. The first shift will be from 9–10:30 a.m. and the second shift will be from 10:30 a.m.–noon. In addition to monetary donations, we need volunteers to make Jubilee Christmas a success. Shoppers will need to start as soon as possible to buy the gifts for the children. The other volunteer opportunities will be for the day of Jubilee in December. Use the QR codes to sign up as a Shopper or as another Volunteer. If you would like to be put on the substitute list or for additional information, contact Mary Kay McCauley at [mccauley.mk3@gmail.com](mailto:mccauley.mk3@gmail.com) or 765.490.0797.



Jubilee Christmas Shoppers 2023



Jubilee Christmas Sign Up 2023

## Parish Prayer List

**St. John's Cycle of Prayer**—Cindy Gerlach & Gary Mueller, Hilary & Rosemarie Goonewardene, Camp & Comfort Gordinier, Mike & Kathryn Halliwell, Sally Hastings

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**The leaders of our Communion**—Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; & Jennifer our Bishop

**St. John's Leadership, Staff, Clergy, & Seminarian**—The Vestry, Wardens, and Volunteer staff; Amanda, Eva, Michael, & Teresa; Jason, Bradley, & Carolin

**Our Ministry Partners**—The Diocese of Brasilia and their bishop Mauricio and the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon; The Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola, and St. James, Vincennes

**This nation and all in authority**—Joe, our President; Eric, our Governor; and Tony and John, our mayors

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