

# The Holy Eucharist

August 25, 2024

## Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 16 / Year B, Rite II

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church

Celebrant: The Rev. Hillary Kimsey  
Musicians: John Stockwell, and Holly Hoxeng  
Avery and Soren van As

Livestream Producer: Guy Fulton

Welcome to St. Antony's. Our Eucharistic celebration is offered both in person and is livestreamed on Facebook. You will find our livestream at <https://www.facebook.com/saintantony/> For those worshipping in person, the use of facemasks is optional and we encourage respect for each person's choice to remain as healthy as possible.

*Our service includes both a prelude and a postlude offering. We ask that you use this time in quietness to prepare for our celebration of God's unconditional love for each of us and as an opportunity to give thanks as well as to show our respect for our musicians.*

We have been entrusted to be caretakers of this beautiful piece of God's creation. We acknowledge that the Suquamish and S'Klallam people are the traditional stewards of the land on which our buildings stand and we pay our respect to their people and heritage.

### Welcome

### Prelude

Opening Hymn      *"Christ is made the sure foundation"*      Hymnal 518

### Salutation

*The Celebrant says to the people*

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
**Glory to God for ever and ever.**

*Celebrant*

Beloved God, as we approach your Presence, guide and stir us with your Holy Spirit, that we may become one body, one spirit in Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Gloria "Glory to God in the highest" Hymnal S-280

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Canticle 20

Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - 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, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* God be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory 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 First Reading – 1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43**

Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the leaders of the ancestral houses of the Israelites, before King Solomon in Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord out of the city of David, which is Zion. Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the Lord to its place, in the inner sanctuary of the house, in the most holy place, underneath the wings of the cherubim. And when the priests came out of the holy place, a cloud filled the house of the Lord, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud; for the glory of the Lord filled the house of the Lord.

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, “O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, ‘There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.’ Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David.

“But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant’s prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, ‘My name shall be there,’ that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive.

“Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name—for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm—when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s People

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 84

### Quam dilecta!



How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of/ hosts! \*

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living/ God.

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her/ young; \*  
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my/ God.

Happy are they who dwell in your/ house! \*  
they will always be praising/ you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in/ you! \*  
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims'/ way.

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of/ springs,\*  
for the early rains have covered it with pools of/ water.

They will climb from height to/ height, \*  
and the God of gods will reveal himself in/ Zion.

Lord God of hosts, hear my/ prayer; \*  
hearken, O God of/ Jacob.

Behold our defender, O/ God; \*  
and look upon the face of your A/nointed.

For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own/ room, \*  
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the/ wicked.

For the Lord God is both sun and/ shield; \*  
he will give grace and/ glory;

No good thing will the Lord with/hold \*  
from those who walk with in/tegrity.

O Lord of/ hosts, \*  
happy are they who put their trust in/ you!

### The Second Reading – Ephesians 6:10-20

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the

spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn**     ***"Come down O love divine"***     ***Hymnal 516***  
*(Verses 1 - 2 before the Gospel; Verse 3 after)*

### **The Gospel Reading – John 6:56-69**

*Celebrant*       The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Jesus said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

*Celebrant*       The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### **Homily – The Rev. Hillary Kimsey**

**The Nicene Creed** (*said together, 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.**

### **Prayers of the People**

*Leader* I ask your prayers for those in the Armed Forces of our Country.

*People* **O Almighty God, shelter the men and women of our armed forces under your mighty wings; steel their courage in times of peril; give them integrity and honor in all they do; grant perseverance and resilience to their families; and heal the wounded warriors. We remember those who are deployed, especially Amy Morrison and Nicole Steller through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Prayers of the People** from "Intercessions for the Christian People"

*Leader*

Our God is indeed the God of our holy ancestors, faithful to all the promises made to our people. Wanting to serve our God and trusting that we will be protected in time of trial and preserved in time of evil, we bring out needs and longings into the divine presence, saying; Lord, hear our prayer.

That you may bless our church and raise up in our midst holy men and women to proclaim your gospel, celebrate your sacraments, and minister to those who long for your saving help, we pray to you, good and faithful God.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That you may bless our world and deliver it into the hands of leaders who trust in your providence, serve others in your name, and work to establish a reign of justice and peace, we pray to you, good and faithful God.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That you may bless our homes so they may be free from hatred, filled with love, and hospitable to those who are lonely, isolated, sick, or poor, we pray to you, good and faithful God.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That you may bless husbands and wives so that in their love for one another they mirror the love that Christ has for the church, we pray to you, good and faithful God.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That you may bless those who share your life with others –physicians who seek to bring health where there is sickness, educators to seek to bring wisdom where there is ignorance, and artists who seek to bring beauty where there is squalor—we pray to you, good and faithful God.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That you may bless those who have gone before us in faith that thy may abide in peace and pray for us who continue on life's journey, we pray to you, good and faithful God.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions.*

Let us Pray for Peace Among the Nations

**Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*The Celebrant concludes*

All good and merciful God, you indeed are faithful to the covenant you have made with our people. May you hear our prayers as we prepare to enter into a renewal of that covenant by celebrating the mystery of your Son's death and resurrection. We make this prayer through him, Jesus Christ the Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the power of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

## **Confession of Sin**

*Celebrant*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence may be kept.*

## **Minister and People**

**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.**

## **Absolution**

*The Celebrant stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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 Christ be always with you.

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

*The clergy and people greet one another in the name of the Lord, maintaining a respectful distance.*





The Holy Eucharist  
 Holy, holy, holy Lord     *Sanctus*

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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.

Setting: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

*The people stand or kneel. Then 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.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

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:

***Celebrant and People***

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*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 Antony 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. **AMEN.**

### The Lord's Prayer (spoken)

*Celebrant*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, I invite you to join me and pray in the language of your heart,

**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.**

### Fraction Rite Hymnal S-154

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

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.

*We invite all present to participate in this feast, regardless of where you are on your spiritual journey. Our table is open to all, as this is God's gift to all.*

*To receive the bread, please make a semi-circle around the altar behind the railing and in front. You may kneel or stand. Cup your hands in front of you to receive the bread. For the wine, you may choose either to get a single use compostable cup on your way to the altar, or drink from the common cup. To receive a blessing instead of communion, approach the priest with your arms crossed over your chest.*

*If needed, we do have gluten free communion wafers available. Just ask as you approach the priest. If you do not wish to receive the Eucharist but would like a blessing, please approach the priest with your hands crossed over your chest.*

*We ask that you remember to use the hand sanitizer as you come to receive the Holy Eucharist.*

Those who are participating by livestream may say the following prayer.

### Prayer for Spiritual Communion

*From A Prayer Book for the Armed Forces*

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where 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 heart. 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.

### Communion Hymn "O Jesus, I have promised" Hymnal 655

#### #2 "Blessed Assurance"

#### Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

1. Bless-ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a  
2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, Vi - sions of  
3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, I in my

fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion,  
rap - ture now burst on my sight; An - gels de - scend - ing  
Sav - ior am hap - py and blest; Watch - ing and wait - ing,

pur - chase of God, Born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.  
bring from a - bove Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.  
look - ing a - bove, Filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

This is my sto - ry, this is my song, Prais - ing my

*Continues on next page*

Sav - ior all the day long; This is my sto - ry, this is my

song, Prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915  
Tune: ASSURANCE, 9 10 9 9 with refrain; Phoebe P. Knapp, 1839-1908

**The Postcommunion Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**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**

**Closing Hymn “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” Hymnal 390**

**The Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Postlude**



Please join us for coffee hour after the service. Kathy Gero is our hostess today.



***Happy Birthday!***

29th Carmen Morris

***Happy Anniversary!***

There are no anniversaries this week.

The Altar Flowers are given today by Steve Fabry in celebration of he and Betty's and Tim and Kristen's wedding anniversaries which are the same day.

\*Flowers arranged by Lori Fagan\*

The Sanctuary Lamp is given today by the Altar Guild.

***The mission of St. Antony's is to be a loving and welcoming community who worships God,  
grows in Christ, and serves others: Gather, Grow, and Go!***

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