
ST. GABRIEL'S + SAN GABRIEL
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



THE 15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

WELCOME TO ST. GABRIEL'S~SAN GABRIEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We are glad that you have joined us as we encounter God in our worship together. If today is your first visit, we want you to know that St. Gabriel's is a welcoming and authentically inclusive faith community, which means that you are welcome just as you are—wholly made in the image of God. Whoever you are, and wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome at St. Gabriel's!

Faith formation is important for our spiritual development and we pay special attention to the care of our children. The Children's Story at the beginning of every service is part of the liturgy and it is provided before children typically go to Sunday school and child care. Given ongoing Covid restrictions we are not offering Sunday school or child care until further notice. The Eucharist is an essential part of worship, we invite you to please bring your child to the Altar for Communion regardless of their age.

Coffee hour is like a second communion at St. Gabriel's. Again, for the safety and security of all parishioners due to Covid we are refraining from sharing food until further notice. That said, feel free to invite a friend or a newcomer to share coffee or lunch after the service to remain connected! In the spirit of being connected, we remind you to please share your contact information, there is a card you can fill out and put it into the collection basket or hand to the clergy; this way you can learn more about St. Gabriel's and we can connect with you. God bless you and thank you for worshipping with the St. Gabriel's faith community!

The Rev. Daniel Vélez Rivera
Celebrant

The Ven. Holly Hanback
Deacon

Mr. Peter Schweitzer
Director of Music

Ms. Anica Lee
Director of the Choir

Ms. Susannah Harding
Postulant to the Diaconate

Mr. David L.M. Gunning, Jr.
Aspirant to Holy Orders

MINISTERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

During the summer servers are not preassigned. Please arrive at least ten minutes early if you can assist and tell a clergy person that you can help!
Liturgical volunteers are welcome for the following roles

ACOLYTES

LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

LECTOR: 1ST READING/PSALM, LECTOR: 2ND READING

USHERS/GREETERS

TELLERS (Vestry Member + a Volunteer)

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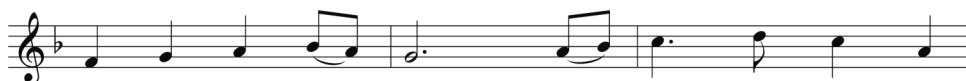
— HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II —

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

ALL ARE WELCOME



1. Let us build a house where love can dwell And
2. Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, And
3. Let us build a house where love is found In
4. Let us build a house where hands will reach Be -
5. Let us build a house where all are named, Their



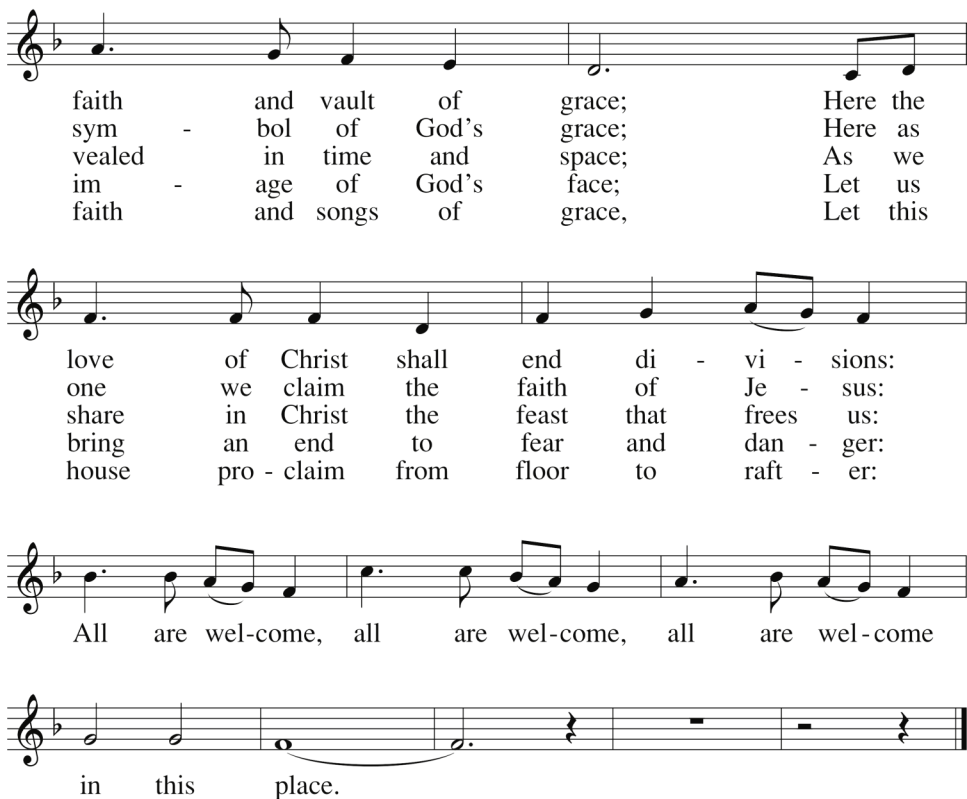
all can safe - ly live, A place where saints and
words are strong and true, Where all God's chil - dren
wa - ter, wine and wheat: A ban - quet hall on
yond the wood and stone To heal and strength - en,
songs and vi - sions heard And loved and treas - ured,



chil - dren tell How hearts learn to for -
dare to seek To dream God's reign a -
ho - ly ground, Where peace and jus - tice
serve and teach, And live the Word they've
taught and claimed As words with - in the



give. Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions, Rock of
new. Here the cross shall stand as wit - ness And as
meet. Here the love of God, through Je - sus, Is re -
known. Here the out - cast and the stran - ger Bear the
Word. Built of tears and cries and laugh - ter, Prayers of



faith and vault of grace; Here the
 sym - bol of God's grace; Here as
 vealed - in time and space; As we
 im - age of God's face; Let us
 faith and songs of grace, Let this

 love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 share in Christ the feast that frees us:
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 house pro - claim from floor to raft - er:

 All are wel-come, all are wel-come, all are wel-come

 in this place.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant Blessed be God: ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known
 and from you no secrets are hidden: 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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

PRAISE TO YOU, O GOD OF MERCY



1., 3. Praise to you, O God of mer - cy! Thanks be to you for
 2. From of old you loved and sought us! Thanks be to you for



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
 ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:



Thanks be to you for ev - er!
 Thanks be to you for ev - er!



Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov-e-nant of life with us.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *remain standing*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

KNOW THE STORY, HEAR THE STORY

Children are invited to the front for the children's Biblical message.

Given the Covid restrictions for the care and safety of all we will not provide Sunday school or child care until further notice.



THE READINGS

THE FIRST READING

ISAIAH 35:4-7A

Lector A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water;

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE

PSALM 146

Read responsively by the whole verse

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! *
I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- 2 **Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.**
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 **Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the Lord their God;**
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 **Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.**
- 7 The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

8 The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

9 The Lord shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

THE SECOND READING

JAMES 2:1-17

Lector A reading from the letter of James.

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

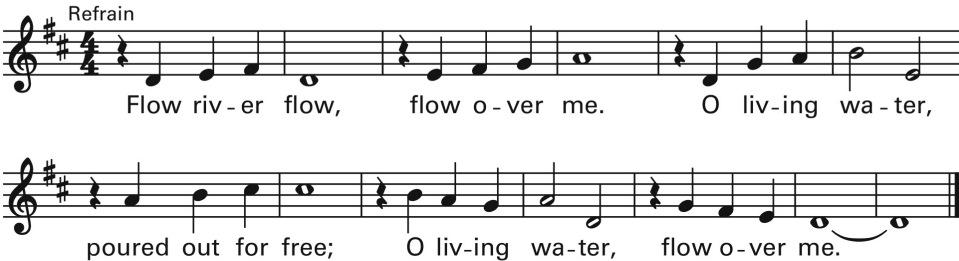
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand if you are comfortable doing so for the hymn and Gospel reading.

SEQUENCE HYMN

FLOW RIVER, FLOW

Refrain

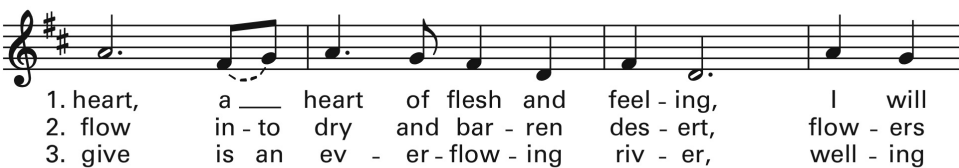


Flow riv - er flow, flow o - ver me. O liv - ing wa - ter,
poured out for free; O liv - ing wa - ter, flow o - ver me.

Verses



1. You will be mine and I will be your God,
2. The blind shall see, the mute shall find a voice,
3. Who - ev - er drinks the wa - ter I will give
1. for I will wash you clean. And a new
2. the lame shall leap for joy. Riv - ers will
3. will nev - er thirst a - gain. The drink I



1. heart, a ___ heart of flesh and feel - ing, I will
2. flow in - to dry and bar - ren des - ert, flow - ers
3. give is an ev - er - flow - ing riv - er, well - ing



1. place with - in you ___ for your heart of stone.
2. bloom in splen - dor, ___ glo - ry fill the land.
3. up with - in you to give e - ter - nal life.

to Refrain

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

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Daniel Vélez Rivera
Vicar of St. Gabriel's ~ San Gabriel

THE NICENE CREED

People 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.
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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Any person is invited to choose one of the prayers and read it aloud

Lector We ask your prayers for all of God's creation; for our Bishops: Michael, Susan, Jennifer, and Porter; for our clergy: Fr. Daniel and Deacon Holly; for Susie – postulant to the diaconate, and for Dj – aspirant to Holy Orders. We pray for the parishioners of St. Gabriel's ~ San Gabriel and all faith communities.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector We pray for those who host our places of worship and office: the students and staff of Belmont Ridge Middle School, the congregation of St. James', and for the Ashby Ponds community. We pray for all those who seek God and a deeper knowledge of God, especially those who do not yet know that Saint Gabriel's will be their church home.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector We ask your prayers for peace, goodwill among nations, and the well-being of all people. Let us pray for all who live, study, and work in Leesburg and in the surrounding cities and towns. We pray for our local, state, and federal elected officials; we pray for all first responders. Pray for justice and peace.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector We pray for the good earth that God has given us, and for the wisdom to conserve it. We pray for those affected by natural disasters, especially for the people affected by the recent hurricanes, tornadoes, forest fires, and earthquakes. Pray for the Earth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector We ask your prayers for those infected and affected by COVID and other diseases and for their caretakers. We pray for the hungry, the oppressed, for those in jails and prisons, and for the safety and wellbeing of the Afghan people.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector We pray for the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and dignity grow in our nation and among all peoples. We commend to you the immigrant and refugee families here and around the world.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector We ask your prayers for all who have died,
may they rest in peace and rise in glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector We ask your prayers for those on our prayer list and for those
who may have nobody to pray for them.

*Your own prayers of intercession and petition may be offered now, either aloud
or in the silence of your heart. Please pray for those on our Prayer List on page 22.*

People **Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask,
help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those
good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot
ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Take a moment and talk to God in the spirit of confession before we pray together

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 ABSOLUTION

Celebrant 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.**

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN

A PRAYER FOR HUMILITY
M. Patterson

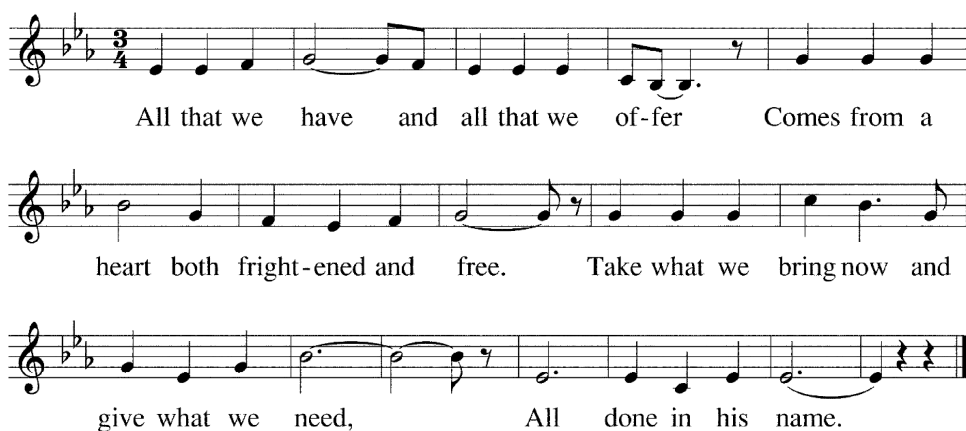
*Mighty God and gentle Lamb, Lord of all creation
How we long to know you, how we strive to serve you.
Help us now to love you even more.*

*Give us humble hearts to praise you, and listening ears to hear your voice,
wiling hands to serve you, thankful spirits to rejoice.
Lord of all, we adore you and we bring this prayer before you.
Create in us, humble hearts*

*When our thoughts turn proud, remind us of the grace your freely give.
When we lose our way, Lord find us, draw us close to you again.*

PRESENTATION HYMN

ALL THAT WE HAVE



All that we have and all that we of-fer Comes from a
heart both fright-ened and free. Take what we bring now and
give what we need, All done in his name.

God is our light and our stronghold,
Jesus, redeemer, our way;
Spirit of life walk beside us,
guide us and help us to pray: *Refrain*

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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 God 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, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:



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Then the Celebrant 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."

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant 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.

Celebrant All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By Christ,
and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray,

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.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga a nosotros tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día;
perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria,
ahora y por siempre. Amén.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Refrain

Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the
Lord. O taste and see, taste and see the
good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times.
Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;
my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord
for God has been so good to me. D.C.

The musical score is written on a single staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It features a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests. There are several triplet markings (indicated by a '3' over a bracket) and a double bar line with repeat dots at the end of the first line. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with some words hyphenated across lines.

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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.



WELCOME TO THE TABLE OF THE LORD

Where all are welcome!

The Church affirms the real presence of Christ in the bread and wine. Believers of all denominations are invited to receive the Sacrament. To receive the bread extend your hands forward. We are unable to share a common cup at this time due to Covid restrictions, so the consecrated wine will be poured into individual cups for you to take. Receptacles will be available for you to dispose of the cups after consuming the sacrament.

If you do not wish to receive Communion today but would like a blessing, come forward during Communion, cross your arms over your chest, and you will be given a blessing in the name of God.

COMMUNION HYMN

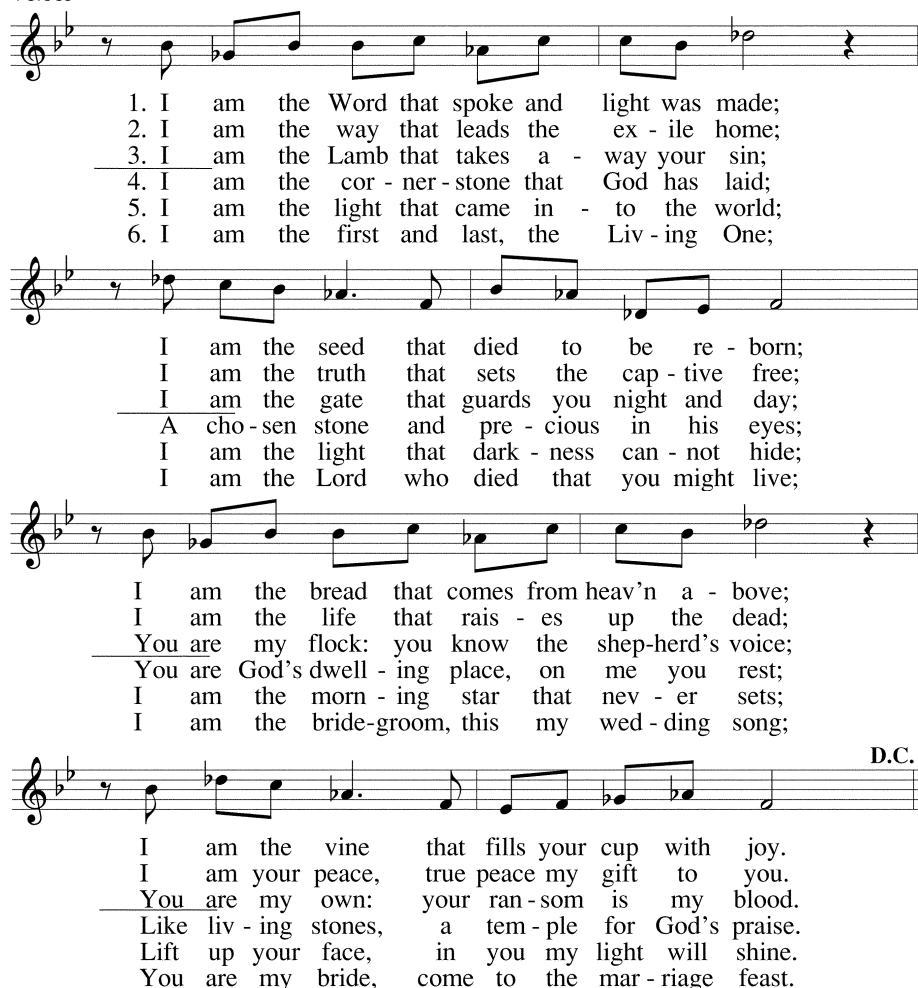
TAKE AND EAT

Refrain



Take and eat; take and eat: this is my bod - y
giv-en up for you. Take and drink; take and drink:
this is my blood giv-en up for you.

Verses



1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made;
2. I am the way that leads the ex - ile home;
3. I am the Lamb that takes a - way your sin;
4. I am the cor - ner - stone that God has laid;
5. I am the light that came in - to the world;
6. I am the first and last, the Liv - ing One;

I am the seed that died to be re - born;
I am the truth that sets the cap - tive free;
I am the gate that guards you night and day;
A cho - sen stone and pre - cious in his eyes;
I am the light that dark - ness can - not hide;
I am the Lord who died that you might live;

I am the bread that comes from heav'n a - bove;
I am the life that rais - es up the dead;
You are my flock: you know the shep-herd's voice;
You are God's dwell - ing place, on me you rest;
I am the morn - ing star that nev - er sets;
I am the bride-groom, this my wed - ding song;

I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.
I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.
You are my own: your ran - som is my blood.
Like liv - ing stones, a tem - ple for God's praise.
Lift up your face, in you my light will shine.
You are my bride, come to the mar - riage feast.

D.C.

Ab - ba Fa - ther, Liv - ing Wa - ter;

Shep - herd, Ser - vant and King,___

Mas - ter, Teach - er, Lord and keep - er,

Coun - sel - or, Prince___ of___ Peace. ___ Al -

might-y Cre - a - tor;___ Em - man - u - el, Sav - ior;___ Ad -

- o - nai___ and___ the Rock,___ Ho -

san - na, Mes - si - ah,___ Yah - weh, Je - ho - va, Al -

- pha, O - me - ga, God. ___

Friend and Healer, Christ, Redeemer,
great is Your glorious name, — Je —
— sus, — the name.

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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Please stand if you are able*

Celebrant Let us Pray.

People God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

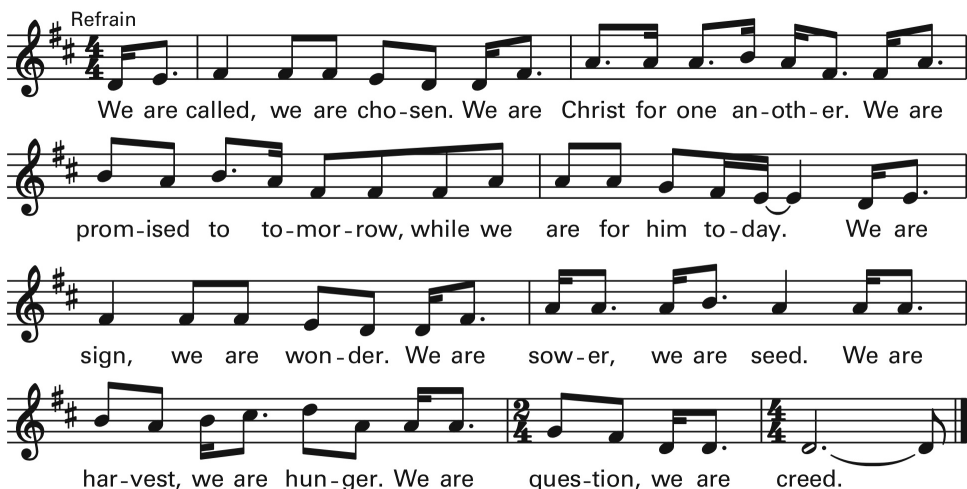
THE BLESSING

Celebrant May God give you the grace never to sell yourself short,
grace to do something big for something good,
grace to remember that the world is too dangerous now
for anything but truth, and too small for anything but love.

And the blessing of God Almighty:
Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
be with you now and forever more.

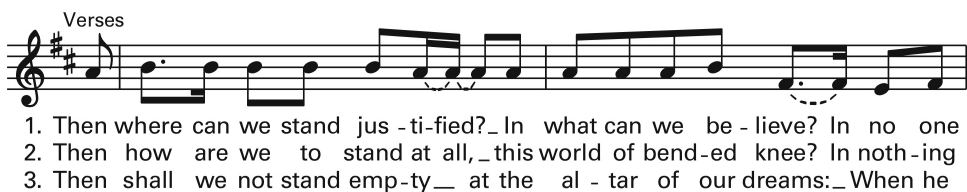
People Amen.

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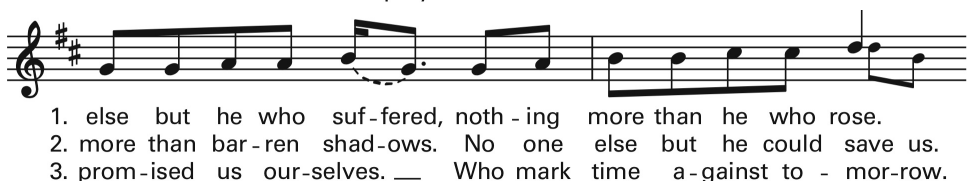


We are called, we are cho-sen. We are Christ for one an-oth-er. We are
prom-ised to to-mor-row, while we are for him to-day. We are
sign, we are won-der. We are sow-er, we are seed. We are
har-vest, we are hun-ger. We are ques-tion, we are creed.

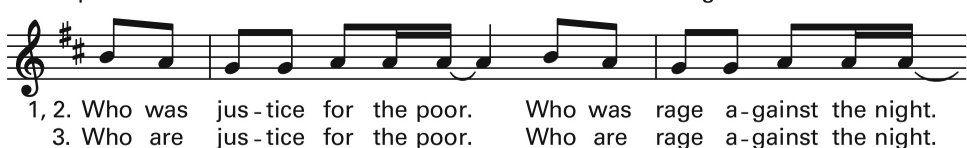
Verses



1. Then where can we stand jus-ti-fied?_ In what can we be-lieve? In no one
2. Then how are we to stand at all, _this world of bend-ed knee? In noth-ing
3. Then shall we not stand emp-ty__ at the al-tar of our dreams:_ When he



1. else but he who suf-fered, noth-ing more than he who rose.
2. more than bar-ren shad-ows. No one else but he could save us.
3. prom-ised us our-selves. _ Who mark time a-gainst to-mor-row.



1, 2. Who was jus-tice for the poor. Who was rage a-against the night.
3. Who are jus-tice for the poor. Who are rage a-against the night.



to Refrain

1, 2. Who was hope for peace-ful peo-ple. Who was light.
3. Who are hope for peace-ful peo-ple. Who are light.

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THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers...

THE CHURCH

The Archbishop of Canterbury; The Most Rev. Justin Welby; Presiding Bishop Michael Curry; The Bishops of the Diocese of Virginia: +Susan Goff, +Jennifer Brooke-Davidson, and +Porter Taylor; for our clergy: Fr. Daniel and Deacon Holly; for Susie, postulant to the diaconate, and for Dj, aspirant to Holy Orders.

In our parish, we pray for Jeanne Patricia Barrera, Alexander Santiago González, and Kristal.

In our Diocese, we pray for all Altar Guilds, Flower Guilds and Choirs.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the Diocese of Ely in the Church of England.

ST. GABRIEL'S COMMUNITY

All members of Saint Gabriel's~San Gabriel, St. Gabriel's @ Ashby Ponds, Saint James', and the students and staff of Belmont Ridge Middle School.

St. Gabriel's Lay Leaders & Staff David (Dj) Gunning, Susan McGlohn, Abi Hernández Cruz, and Eva María Torres.

St. Gabriel's Music Ministers Peter Schweitzer, Anica Lee, Carmelo Saavedra, and members of our church choirs.

St. Gabriel's Sunday School Teachers, Child Care Providers & Helpers

A special thanks to our teachers for inspiring our children with creative and heartfelt Christian formation lessons.

All volunteers of St. Gabriel's Social Justice Ministries:

Food insecurity, kids programs, adult literacies, and immigration ministries.

St. Gabriel's Vestry Anne Donohue (*Senior Warden/2021*), Rob Buchanan (*Junior Warden/2024*), Steve Rice (*Treasurer/2023*), Dj Gunning (*Clerk*), Karen Ballesteros (*2023*), Paula Callaghan Morató (*2022*), César Frías (*2024*), José Mejía (*2024*), Carla Rhoads (*2024*), Sue Schweitzer (*2021*), and Eva María Torres Herrera (*2024*).

We pray for the healing, wholeness, comfort, guidance, and safe travel of the following people in our faith community: Kelly Wilkinson; Rigoberto Somuano and Concepción Rojas; Griselda Frías; Phyllis Simpson; Tom Wilkinson; Dave Powell; Page Bradley; Eulalia Argelia Vásquez; Shelly Rodriguez; Rosa Ramírez; Janice Queen; Cindy LoSasso; Amaya Family; Isabel Sagastume; María Balcázar and family; Nathan; María Miranda and Ernesto López; Jassil, Karen & Freddy Baltazar; José Ortega; Rossil, Kaylee Martínez; Blanca Lidia Hernández; Mary

Brenda Joyner; Medardo Morales; Elizabeth Bulger; Mario Quintanilla; Agostini Family; Cathy Benedict; Nila Aguilar; Alberto Ramos Lucas; Stephanie Modzelesky; Janet Spielman; Bonnie Klem-Barnes; José Mateo Corro; Barbara Ewell; Bobbie Wilkinson; Paul Chin; John Cummings; María Eugenia Corro; Bob Cusack; The Mejía-Medina family; Peter Schweitzer and family; Erlis Hernandez; Russ and Lula Bailey; Gonzalo Mendoza; Hennessey Family; Myrta Mercado; Jean Leonard, the Philip Family, Louise Jones; Daisy Rivera; Jack Cusack; Raul Castillejos; Tom Johnson and Family; Ethan Newland and family; Ruthie Rice; Sheri Muilenburg; Leslie Furtick; Ruth Elhafdi; José Manuel Sinisterra; George Rimmert; Angela Wells; Ruth Brown; Eugenia Espinoza Fernández; Carol Adams; Molly Mitchell; Mark DuPuis; Jack and Betty Barden; Deborah Devonshire; Isabel and Sergio Mercado; Worrall family; Andrea Palmer; Gideon Darden.

We pray for our college students Aidan Baron, Lindsey Thompson; Isabella Ballesteros, Samara Umanzor Ortega, Brad Mejía, Zane Knowlton, McKayla Shaffer, Preston Newland, Jacob Denzin, Avera Worrall, Abi Hernandez-Cruz, Annie Cusack, Michelle Balderrama Burgoa, Danny Costanza, Conor Rice, Eddie Queen, Nina Costanza, and Marie Victoria Frías Pomárez.

We pray for our parishioners serving in the Armed Forces Jamaal A. Boyd (U.S. Army), Joseph Castillejos (U.S. Army), Karyna Beatriz Saavedra (U.S. Marines) and Roger Castillo Niquén (Peruvian Army).

THE WORLD

Our prayers for President Biden, Vice President Harris, members of the United States Congress, Governor Northam, Mayor Burke, and the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors, and for elected officials throughout the world.

For the victims of hunger, human trafficking, substance abuse, and natural disasters in the United States and around the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INQUIRER'S CLASS FOR ALL AT STARBUCKS

All are invited to a four-week conversation on Sundays after the 10 am service beginning TODAY at noon! We will learn more about the Episcopal Church, the Prayer Book, and have the opportunity to talk about our faith and how we serve the people of God through St. Gabriel's. Sundays at noon from September 5 to September 26 at the new Starbucks next to CVS in Lansdowne Town Center: 19310 Front St, Leesburg, VA 20176. If you are unable to come in person you can join us via Zoom—just go to <https://tinyurl.com/StGinquirerClass2021>

5 WEEK VIRTUAL CONFIRMATION CLASSES, INVITATION TO SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION AND RECEPTION

A virtual five-week Confirmation class for youth ages 15 and older is underway. We invite your prayers for those who will be confirmed.

There will also be parishioners of St. Gabriel's received at this service officiated by the Rt. Rev. Susan Goff on **Saturday, September 18th at 10:30am at the Falls Church Episcopal**, in Falls Church, VA. All are welcome to join our confirmands and those being received into the Episcopal Church at this bilingual service. The Falls Church Episcopal is located at 115 E Fairfax St, Falls Church, VA 22046

ADULT FORMATION

Adult formation returns with a focus on **PRAYER**. All are welcome and invited to join us for Book Club, Movie Club, Bible Study – we invite you to participate in all three! The Zoom links for these events can be found on the church calendar, by clicking on the link from the calendar it will take you directly to the Zoom meeting. The calendar can be found on the parish website: <https://www.saintgabriels.net/calendar>

Movie Club: Pray The story of Fr. Patrick Peyton is an award-winning documentary film about the priest that inspired millions of families to pray together and who coined the phrase, "The family that prays together stays together." A virtual discussion will take place on **Tuesday, September 14 at 7:00 pm** via Zoom. Watch the free documentary here: <https://www.praythefilm.com>. Zoom link for the meeting is on the parish calendar: <https://www.saintgabriels.net/calendar>.

Bible Study A 6-week Bible study focusing on prayer will use the 1st and 2nd Books of Chronicles as the biblical source to explore ways in which we might develop a passionate love for God through our “conversations with God”, otherwise known as prayer! This six-session study looks at how we can live up to our potential, experience God's presence, and learn more about listening and talking to God . **From September 30th – Nov. 4th, 8:00 am to 8:30am.**

NEW CHURCH MAILING ADDRESS

We have a new address! St. James’ recently relocated their offices to another building on campus, and the address for both St. James’ and St. Gabriel’s has changed. Please update your records with our new mailing address:

St. Gabriel’s~San Gabriel Episcopal Church
8 Cornwall Street NW, Leesburg, VA 20176

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 116:1-8; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38

PARISH CALENDAR

Sep 5	Sun	12:00p	Inquirer’s Class for All <i>Starbucks Lansdowne & Zoom</i>
Sep 14	Tue	7:00p	Movie Club: “Pray (the story of Fr. Patrick Peyton)” <i>For link visit: https://www.saintgabriels.net/calendar</i>
Sep 18	Sat	10:30a	Confirmation & Reception bilingual service <i>The Falls Church Episcopal</i>
Sep 25	Sat	4:00p	Outdoor Holy Eucharist (<i>Bilingual</i>) <i>St. Gabriel’s Chapel in the Woods</i>
Sep 30	Thu	8:00a	6-week morning Bible study through Nov. 4th <i>For link visit: https://www.saintgabriels.net/calendar</i>
Oct 2	Sat	3:00p	Blessing of the Animals (<i>Bilingual</i>) <i>St. Gabriel’s Chapel in the Woods</i>

BLESSINGS FROM THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. GABRIEL'S

St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church started public worship in the Spring of 2003 to share the good news of Jesus Christ with the growing communities of Leesburg, Lansdowne, and Ashburn in Loudoun County, Virginia. Our mission is to "Encounter God, Build Meaningful Relationships, and Make a Difference in the World" through inspiring worship, faith-building discipleship, warm fellowship, heartfelt pastoral care, active evangelism, outreach, and service. We live into our mission statement through word and deed, with God's help!

St. Gabriel's is a welcoming, hospitable, and inclusive faith community, open to people at any stage in their faith journey with Christ. We value human diversity and seek to be a church that reflects the breadth of those who live in our community. We have life-long Christians as well as spiritual seekers and we welcome you just as God made you, without conditions or barriers. In our worship services you can dress up or dress down, God doesn't care what you wear, nor do we! We extend an invitation to get to know you so that you can develop your faith and we hope that you will invite others to share the spiritual gifts that you find here!

St. Gabriel's is the first bilingual (English-Spanish), multicultural and multiethnic Episcopal congregation in Loudoun County. Worship takes place in four locations and in two languages: the English-language services are at the Belmont Ridge Middle School each Sunday and at Ashby Ponds on the third Tuesday of every month. The Spanish-language service is at Saint James' in Leesburg, and in warm months we worship one Saturday a month at the Chapel in the Woods. We invite you to help us continue building the kingdom of God in this corner of Leesburg through prayer, love, commitment to God and community, joyful worship, and Christian service. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, know that this is a loving community. Blessings and peace!

WORSHIP

10:00 am Sunday Mass in English

Belmont Ridge Middle School

19045 Upper Belmont Place, Leesburg

St. Gabriel's @ Ashby Ponds Chapel

Third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am

21170 Ashby Ponds Blvd. Ashburn, VA 20147

3:00 pm Misa Dominical en español

San Gabriel en St. James'

14 Cornwall Street NW, Leesburg

St. Gabriel's Chapel in the Woods

Open any time you wish to pray

Corner of Battlefield Pkwy/Ft. Evans Rd.

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