

# The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



September 18, 2022

# Welcome to St. Mark's and St. John's

Name tags are available. We'd love to make one for you if you do not have one already.

Just fill out a form in your pew. Help yourself to coffee in the "cafe" and feel free to bring it to your pew. We're casual. We invite children to make themselves at home at our children's table where there are weekly activity bulletins, crayons, etc...

Our live YouTube broadcast begins at 9:15am.

As always, the link to our YouTube channel is available on our website,  
[stmarksandstjohns.org](http://stmarksandstjohns.org)

## OPENING MUSIC

## “Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

Ev' - ry time I feel the spir - it, mov - ing

in my heart, I will pray. Ev' - ry time I feel the

spir - it, mov - ing in my heart, I will pray. **Fine**

*unison*

1. Up on the moun - tain my Lord spoke, out of his  
2. Jor - dan ri - ver chil - ly and cold, chills the

mouth came fire and smoke. All a - round me looked so  
bod - y but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this

fine, asked my Lord if all was mine.  
track, runs to heav - en and runs right back. **D.C.**

## WELCOME

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer, and Holy Spirit

People: **And blessed God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Deacon: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON

Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying

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

Psalm 113

*Laudate, pueri*

Hallelujah!

Give praise, you servants of the Lord;  
praise the Name of the Lord.

**Let the Name of the Lord be blessed,  
from this time forth for evermore.**

From the rising of the sun to its going down  
let the Name of the Lord be praised.

**The Lord is high above all nations,  
and his glory above the heavens.**

Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high  
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?

**He takes up the weak out of the dust  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.**

He sets them with the princes,  
with the princes of his people.

**He makes the woman of a childless house  
to be a joyful mother of children.**

## SECOND LESSON

1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all -- this was attested at the right time.

For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Celtic Alleluia” (2x) *Please stand*  
*Fintan O’Carroll and Christopher Walker*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_

### GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-13

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his

property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ**

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Our Father everlasting  
the all creating One  
God Almighty.  
Through Your Holy Spirit  
conceiving Christ the Son.  
Jesus our Savior.  
I believe in God our Parent  
I believe in God in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in One.

“This I Believe”

Music & Lyrics by: Mat Crocher and Ben Fielding

I believe in the resurrection  
that we will rise again.  
For I believe in the name  
of Jesus.

SPECIAL MUSIC FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION *Please be seated*

*You're invited to light a candle at our prayer table and write your prayer intentions on one of the Prayer Boards during the music. The positivity Covid rate in Monroe County is currently above 7% so we ask you to wear masks and stay socially distant to keep everyone safe. Thank you.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, turn our praises into hands that clothe the naked, arms that comfort the afflicted, tables that host the stranger, and shoulders that support the weary so that your name may be praised by those who live and die.

We give you thanks and praise, O God of creation, for the grandeur of all that you have made, saying

**We thank you, God.**

We give you thanks and praise, O God of love, for the many blessings you have given us, saying

**We thank you, God.**

We thank you, O God of second chances, for the forgiveness you bestow on us during our darkest times, saying

**We thank you, God.**

We thank you, O God of companionship, for the relationships and partnerships you have blessed us with, saying

**We thank you God.**

We pray especially for...

We thank you for the lives of your saints, all of your children, and we commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom, saying

**We thank you God.**

**Celebrant:**

Gracious God, make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever.

## THE PEACE

*Deacon:* The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*We resume the passing of the peace this morning. Masks are to be worn during the peace. Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe.*

*Celebrant:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

*Eucharistic Ministers bring the Communion elements to the altar during the music*

## GATHERING AROUND

“Give Thanks”

### GOD'S TABLE

Musical notation for the first line of the hymn. The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. Chords are indicated above the staff: F, C/E, Dm, and Am. The lyrics are: Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One, give

Musical notation for the second line of the hymn. The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. Chords are indicated above the staff: Bb, F/A, F, Dm, Eb, Gm/C, and C7. The lyrics are: thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ his Son. Give

Musical notation for the third line of the hymn. The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. Chords are indicated above the staff: Gm/C, C7, Am, Dm7, and Gm7. The lyrics are: Son. And now let the weak say “I am strong,” let the

Musical notation for the fourth line of the hymn. The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The lyrics are: poor say “I am rich,” be-cause of what the Lord has done for



## OFFERTORY

## "Crowded Table"

*by Brandie Carlile, Natalie Hemby, and Lori McKenna  
Text adapted for worship*

*Eucharistic Minister brings the offering forward*

**Refrain: I want a church with a crowded table**

**And a place at the altar for everyone**

**Let us take on the world while we're fed and able**

**And bring us back together when the day is done**

**Verse: If we want a garden we're gonna have to sow the seed**

**Plant a little happiness - let the roots run deep**

**If it's love that we give - then it's love that we reap**

**If we want a garden we're gonna have to sow the seed**

## HOLY EUCHARIST

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift-up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right that we should praise you, God of love, our source and our fulfillment, for you create all things, and in you we live and move and have our being. Your wonder is manifest in land and sea and sky. When the times had at last grown full and the earth had ripened in abundance, you made us in your image for yourself.

Even though we've turned from you, again and again you call us to yourself, and in every age, promise liberation. As a parent tenderly gathers her children, you embrace us as your own. From your own being you sent Jesus among us, incarnate of the Holy Spirit and born of Mary our sister and Joseph our brother.

Now we join hands around your table, and with all creation we sing your hymn of unending love,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly

ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo -

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly'. The second staff contains 'ho - ly Lord God of hosts.'. The third staff contains 'Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo -'. The music features various note values, including quarter, eighth, and half notes, as well as rests and ties. The lyrics are aligned with the notes, with some words spanning across multiple notes.

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord, of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high -

est, ho - san - na in the high - est

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Hosanna in the Highest'. It consists of five staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: 'ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est'. The music features a mix of single notes, dyads, and triads, with some notes held over from the previous measure.

To you indeed be glory, almighty God, on the night before he died, your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

**Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.**

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said:

**This cup is the new covenant in my blood poured out for you; do this as often as you drink it to remember me.**

And so in this sacrament we celebrate and proclaim the mystery of our faith.

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come in glory.**

Therefore, loving God, recalling now Christ's life, death and resurrection, we ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon us and this celebration, that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son and be filled with your life and goodness. Strengthen us to do your work, and to be your resurrected body offering hope to the world.

Unite us in Christ and give us your peace. Through your Holy Spirit, burning as a flame, gentle as a dove, may we who receive these gifts live lives of justice, love, and prayer.

**Blessing, honor and glory be yours, here and everywhere,  
now and forever. Amen**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**Our Father in Heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is 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 OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body, for we share in this one bread.**

The feast of life has been prepared for you -  
partake and be filled with the goodness of God.

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the people of God take them in remembrance of Christ's life, death, and resurrection and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

### WELCOME TO THE TABLE

*ALL are welcome to receive communion.*

*Please be seated. Our Eucharistic Ministers will come to you. As they approach, please stand if you are able. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. If you would like to receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms in front of you.*

# COMMUNION MUSIC

## "Lift Every Voice and Sing"



1. Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing, Till earth and heav - en  
2. Sto - ny the road we trod, Bit - ter the chast - 'ning  
3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent



1. ring, Ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -  
2. rod, Felt in the days when hope un - born had  
3. tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far on the



1. ty; Let our re - joic - ing rise High as the list - 'ning  
2. died; Yet with a stead - y beat, Have not our wear - y  
3. way; Thou who hast by thy might, Led us in - to the



1. skies, Let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.  
2. feet Come to the place for which our fa - thers sighed?  
3. light, Keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.



1. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
2. We have come o - ver a - way that with tears has been wa - tered;  
3. Lest our feet stray from the pla - ces, our God, where we met thee;

1. Sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has  
 2. We have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the  
 3. Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we for -

1. brought us; Fac - ing the ris - ing sun Of our new  
 2. slaugh - tered; Out from the gloom - y past, Till now we  
 3. get thee, Shad - owed be - neath Thy hand, May we for -

1. day be - gun, Let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.  
 2. stand at last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
 3. ev - er stand, True to our God, true to our na - tive land.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

“THE BLESSING” (Aotearoa)

adapted for SMSJ liturgy - original music and words by  
Chris Brown, Cody Carnes, Kari Jobe, Steven Furtick

The Lord bless you and keep you,  
Make Her face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord turn Her face toward you and give you peace.

Amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen.

The Lord bless you and keep you,  
Make Her face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord turn Her face toward you and give you peace.

Amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen.

May Her favor be upon you and a thousand generations  
And your family and your children and their children,  
and their children.

May Her presence go before you and behind you and beside you  
All around you and within you,  
She is with you.

She is with you.

In the morning, in the evening, in your coming and  
in your going, in your weeping and rejoicing,

She is for you. She is for you.

Amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen.

Deacon: Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

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## SMSJ WEEKLY CALENDAR (9/19/22-9/24/22)

### **Monday**

6 pm            **1199 Culver Rd Garden** (*Melanie & Judy*)

### **Tuesday**

9:00 am        **Food Shelf Prep & Foodlink Delivery**  
(*Sharon & Mary Ellen*)

1:00 pm        **Food bagging**  
(*Sharon & Mary Ellen*)

5:00 pm        **Merchants Garden** (*Deb*)

5:00 pm        **Parsells Garden** (*Deacon Mike*)

### **Wednesday**

9 am            **Church Garden** (*Mary Ellen & Mary*)

10:30-12pm   **Food Shelf** (*Sharon, Mary Ellen, & Jane*)

12 pm          **Healing Service**

### **Thursday**

3:30 pm        **Partners for Places Weekly Meeting**

### **Saturday**

9:30 am        **Garden Work Day with RIT's Phi Psi Fraternity**

### **Sunday**

9:15 am        **Eucharist w/ Music**

### **ADD'L Community Garden Times**

TBD            **Children's Garden** (*TBD*)

TBD            **Denver Garden** (*Rebecca T.*)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark your calendar: Bishop Steve Lane will be visiting SMSJ on Sunday, October 2nd. We will have a special coffee hour following the service. There is a sign-up sheet available in the back if you would like to help set-up, bring something, and/or clean-up

TODAY after Worship:

Worship Leaders: Join us for a refresher on this important role during worship!

Saturday Garden Days! Join Maria and friends for Volunteer Work Days in a garden on October 8, 15, and 29th from 10 am-Noon. RSVP to [mhartz@stmarksandstjohns.org](mailto:mhartz@stmarksandstjohns.org) so we can tell you where we will be!



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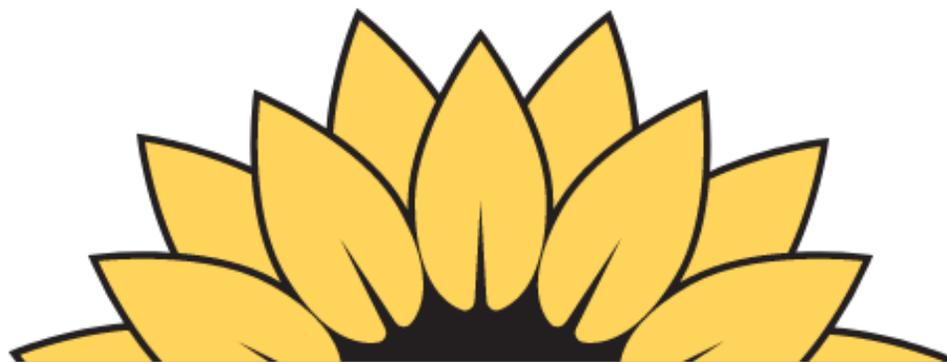
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## Worship Leaders of September-November 2022

<b>Date</b>	<b>First Lesson and Psalm</b>	<b>Second Lesson</b>	<b>Prayers of the People</b>
9/18	Joe C	Bob C	Deb S
9/25	Dave E	Sharon K	Michele H
10/2	Bob C	Samantha G	Joe C
10/9	Bob C	Terri C	Sharon K
10/16	Walt S	Deb S	Paula V
10/23	Joe C	Bob C	Deb S
10/30	Bob V	Michele H	Dave E
11/6	Sharon K	Theresa H	Terri C
11/13	Bob C	Terri C	Sharon K
11/20	Tom F	Dave E.	Mary E
11/27	Joe C	Bob C	Deb S
12/4	Dave E	Sharon K	Michele H

<b>Date</b>	<b>Hold Cup Tray</b>	<b>Give Single Cup</b>	<b>Collect Cups</b>
9/18	Michele H	Dorothy B	Dave E.
9/25	Theresa H	Terri C	Mary E
10/2	Dave E	Sharon K	Tom F
10/9	Heather G	Mary Ellen F	Deb S
10/16	Terri C	Mary E	Children
10/23	Mary E	Terri C	Theresa H
10/30	Sharon K	Dave E	Dorothy B
11/6	Bob C	Dorothy B	Children
11/13	Heather G	Mary Ellen F	Deb S
11/20	Joe C	Sharon K	Children
11/27	Michele H	Dorothy B	Dave E.
12/4	Theresa H	Terri C	Mary E



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