

# SAINT GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, ASTORIA



Summer Mass on the Green

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two  
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 9  
July 7, 2024      10am



*The Celebrant may say*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** (S280)

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<b>And also with you.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING:** 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

*The People are seated.*

A reading from the second book of Samuel.

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, "Look, we are your bone and flesh. For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The Lord said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel." So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years. At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years. David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inwards. And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

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

**PSALM 48** *Magnus Dominus*

*Said responsively by whole verse*

- 1 Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised; \*  
in the city of our God is his holy hill.
- 2 **Beautiful and lofty, the joy of all the earth, is the hill of Zion, \***  
**the very center of the world and the city of the great King.**
- 3 God is in her citadels; \*  
he is known to be her sure refuge.
- 4 **Behold, the kings of the earth assembled \***  
**and marched forward together.**
- 5 They looked and were astounded; \*  
they retreated and fled in terror.
- 6 **Trembling seized them there; \***  
**they writhed like a woman in childbirth,**  
**like ships of the sea when the east wind shatters them.**
- 7 As we have heard, so have we seen,  
in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God; \*  
God has established her for ever.
- 8 **We have waited in silence on your loving-kindness, O God, \***  
**in the midst of your temple.**

9 Your praise, like your Name, O God, reaches to the world's end; \*  
your right hand is full of justice.

**10 Let Mount Zion be glad  
and the cities of Judah rejoice, \*  
because of your judgments.**

11 Make the circuit of Zion;  
walk round about her; \*  
count the number of her towers.

**12 Consider well her bulwarks;  
examine her strongholds; \*  
that you may tell those who come after.**

13 This God is our God for ever and ever; \*  
he shall be our guide for evermore.

**SECOND READING:** 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

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

**SEQUENCE HYMN** *Spread, O spread, thou mighty word* (H 530)

1 Spread, O spread, thou mighty word,  
spread the kingdom of the Lord,  
that to earth's remotest bound  
all may heed the joyful sound;

2 word of how the Father's will  
made the world, and keeps it, still;  
how his only Son he gave,  
earth from sin and death to save;

3 word of how the Savior's love  
earth's sore burden doth remove;  
how forever, in its need,

through his death the world is freed;

4 word of how the Spirit came  
bringing peace in Jesus' name;  
how his never-failing love  
guides us on to heaven above.

5 Word of life, most pure and strong,  
word for which the nations long,  
spread abroad, until from night  
all the world awakes to light.

**THE GOSPEL:** Mark 6:1-13

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE NICENE CREED

*All stand.*

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

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation; **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect; Lawrence, our bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers; **For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, remembering especially all those who are sick and recovering from illness.

*Silence*

Hear us, Lord; **For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

We will exalt you, O God our King; **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**  
We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; **Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*



*Leader and People*

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

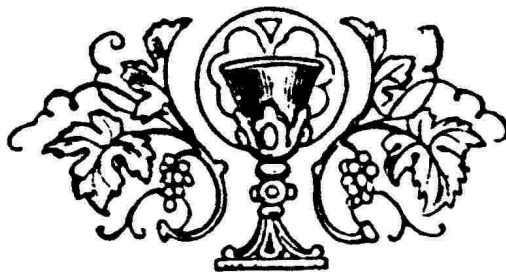
*The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.*

**THE PEACE**

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

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

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**





*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

**SANCTUS** *Holy, holy, holy* (S125)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*The People stand or kneel. 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."

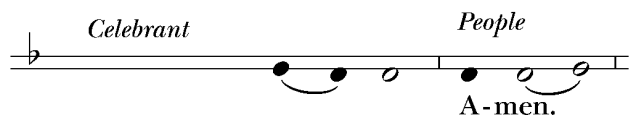
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

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.**



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Celebrant and People*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

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

**FRACTION ANTHEM** *Pascha nostrum* (S 154)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**COMMUNION ANTHEM**

**COMMUNION HYMN** *How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord* (H 637)

1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the  
Lord,  
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!  
What more can he say than to you he hath  
said,  
to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?

2 'Fear not, I am with thee; O be not  
dismayed!  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee  
aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause  
thee to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

3 'When through the deep waters I call  
thee to go,  
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;  
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to  
bless,

and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

4 'When through fiery trials thy pathway  
shall lie,  
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy  
supply;  
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to  
refine.

5 'The soul that to Jesus hath fled for  
repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to  
shake,  
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake.'

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,



## WELCOME TO SAINT GEORGE'S CHURCH

We are grateful for the presence of visitors and guests among us. Please introduce yourself to someone, and join us for Coffee Hour in the Community Room immediately following the service.

**Holy Eucharist** is celebrated on **Sundays at 10am**.

**Morning Prayer** is said in the church on **Sundays at 9am**.

Morning Prayer on Wednesdays is on hiatus for the summer.

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### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marsha Rhodes, Lavert Stuart†, Pedrin Montesdeoca Torres

*(The Prayer List is updated at the beginning of each month. To add or remove a name, please email the parish office.)*

### Parish News and Announcements:

\* **Summer 2024 Worship Schedule** is listed above.

\* **Mass on the Green:** Please join us immediately following the service today for a barbecue reception!

\* **National Night Out:** The 2024 annual National Night Out takes place on **Tuesday, August 6 from 5-8pm** in Astoria Park. We will have a table and will greet our neighbors and community leaders.

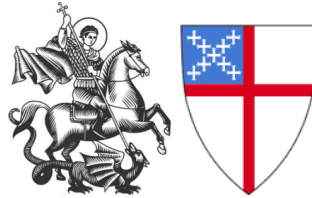
\* **Backpack Giveaway:** Donations are now being accepted to offset our costs for the Back-to-School backpack giveaway. The giveaway will take place on **Saturday, August 17 from 11-2pm** on the lawn.

\* **New Social Media:** Do you follow us on Facebook and Instagram? Find us online to stay connected!

Facebook: [facebook.com/stgeorgeastoria](https://facebook.com/stgeorgeastoria)

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Judith Hishikawa - 2026, Sean Ramzan - 2026

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Barbara Yelverton (Treasurer)