

# Church of the Messiah Gwynedd



**Holy Eucharist**  
**October 27, 2024**  
**9:30 am**

**Prelude – Allegro in E-flat Major**  
*J.S. Bach*

**Opening Hymn - #428 – O all ye works of God, now come**

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

*The Priest says*

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 S 280**

**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.**

## **The Collect**

The Lord be with you.  
*People*     **And also with you.**  
*Priest*     Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **The Lessons**

A Reading from Jeremiah (31: 7-9)

Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,

“Save, O LORD, your people,  
the remnant of Israel.”

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame, those with child and  
those in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,

I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

Please join in the reading of Psalm 126

1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, \*  
then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \*  
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations, \*  
"The Lord has done great things for them."

4 The Lord has done great things for us, \*  
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, \*  
like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears \*  
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \*  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

A reading from Hebrews (7: 23-28)

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn - #706** – In your mercy, Lord, you called me  
*Final verse follows the Gospel reading*

## **The Gospel**

*All stand and face the Gospel. The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (10: 46-52).

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

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out

even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

*After the Gospel, the Priest says*

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

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Emily Given

## **The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
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.

## The Prayers of the People (Form VI)

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

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, Daniel our Bishop and Emily our Rector; and for all bishops and ministers;  
***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For Elisabeth; Dee; Nora and Roger; Riley; Ken and Valerie; Shelly; Mike and family; William; Paul and Ellen; Paula; Beth; Becky; Jeffrey; Anna; Sam; Scott; Joey; Phillip; Barb; Sue; Janice; Anthony; Doris; Kim; Joan; Kathy; Eamonn; Bruce; Jake; Lexi; Jenni; Brad; Julia; Lora; Deb; Sharlen; Doris; Lynn; Selinda and Phillip; Joy and Cal; Jeanne; Ken; Laura; Bobby; Don; Peggy and Debbie.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

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

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

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

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*

*The People may add their own petitions*



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.*

*The Priest says*

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

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*Please share a brief greeting of peace with your neighbor*  
Peace be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Welcome and Announcements

**Offertory Music** – Prelude in E-flat major  
*J.S. Bach*

## The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures, here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

## The Holy Communion

### The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

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 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 and Benedictus

David Thorne

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and  
might, Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

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

**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 Breaking of the Bread

*The Priest breaks the consecrated Bread*

*Priest* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

## Agnus Dei

David Thorne

Lamb of God, you  
 take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
 sin of the world: have mer-cy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
 world: Grant us peace.

*Holy Communion is given with these words.*

The Body of Christ. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

**Communion Music** – Song Without Words Op. 30, No. 1

*Felix Mendelssohn*

## The Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Blessing

**Recessional Hymn - #404** – We will extol you, ever-blessed Lord

*The service concludes with a blessing and a dismissal*

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

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** – The Tell-Tale Heart  
*Carlotta Ferrari*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SAINT'S CELEBRATION

Sunday, November 3, at both services, we will remember all the saints of God who have gone before us. Please bring a photo of a loved one or friend you would like to add to the altar of remembrance. There will also be an opportunity to write the names of your "saints" to be included in prayers.

### FUNERAL FOR ISABELLE MURPHY

There will be a memorial service for longtime member Isabelle Murphy at Church of the Messiah on Saturday, November 2. The family will receive visitors at 9:30 am with a service to follow at 10:30 am.

### THANK YOU FROM BELFRY BARGAINS

Belfry's recent pop-up sale in the Guild Room of Halloween and other items was a great success! Thanks to those who shopped and volunteered over the past two weeks, we are <fill in the \$ amount> closer to our fundraising goal for repairs to Patterson House.

Look for details about our upcoming pop-up sale of Christmas items.

If you would like to make a direct donation toward our goal of \$43,000, please make your check payable to Church of Messiah and note "Patterson House" on the memo line.

### OUTREACH UPDATES

Wow! 150 meals were delivered to Caring for Friends this past week. Thank you to all who either cooked in the church kitchen or at home (or both). Thanks, too, to Charles Sudlow for driving the meals to the collection site.

And... we succeeded in reaching our goal to fill 25 bags for Thanksgiving meals to the Keystone Opportunity Center. You heard our plea that we were falling short of funds and you came through! Thank you!!

You may be interested to know that June proceeds from Belfry sales were distributed to 7 local organizations as well as to The Episcopal Relief and Development Foundation with an earmark that funds were to be used to support hurricane victims in the South. Your Belfry shopping or monetary donations are very much appreciated.

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS

Daylight savings ends November 3rd - don't forget to change your clocks!

### 9:30AM SERVICE - VIDEO RECORDING

We are in need of help to record the 9:30am service so that we are able to virtually reach our parishioners who are unable to attend the service in person. The process is easy and, if we have enough volunteers, you would only be required to video the service once per month.

If you are interested in learning more and being trained, please contact Sam Frenkel via email sfrenkel516@gmail.com, Thank you!

### **ALTAR FLOWER SPACES AVAILABLE**

There are lots of openings for Altar Flowers for Fall. Please contact the office if you would like to honor a loved one with altar flowers. The suggested donation is \$75.

### **THE PRAYER BOOK**

A book with a white cover and cross can be found at the back of the church. In the book please write the names of those who are sick in body, mind or spirit or in any kind of need. Their names will be included the following week in the prayers of the people.

Those whose names are entered will be prayed for on Sundays and by members of our prayer chain. Along with their names, please also write the current date. After four weeks - or before if requested - their name will be removed from the prayer list. To continue to include them on the prayer list, after four weeks their name must be entered again in the book.

### **PHOTOS FOR SOCIAL MEDIA**

We frequently take photographs in and around the church that may appear on our social media account, website and print materials. If you do not wish to be in photographs, please contact the church office, and we will be sure to respect your wishes!

### **SUPPORT MANNA ON MAIN STREET**

As you do your weekly shopping, please pick up some non-perishable food items, toiletries and cleaning supplies. These donations can be left on the back pew of the church or left outside the Rector's office door. These will then be delivered to Manna to stock their shelves for distribution to meet clients' needs.

### **WEEKLY PARISH EMAIL MESSAGES AND NOTIFICATIONS**

Each week, the church office sends an email to all parishioners with important notifications and information about parish events and other happenings. If you are not currently receiving these messages, please contact the Church Office (215-699-9204; office@messiahgwynedd.org) so we can add you to the database.

If You Do Not Have Internet Access: Please contact the Church Office (215-699-9204; office@messiahgwynedd.org) so we can add you to the mailing list of those parishioners who receive hard copies of the messages and sermon by mail.

### **IN CASE OF A PASTORAL EMERGENCY**

Please contact The Rev. Emily Given: 214-929-7772

### **ALTAR FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED**



To the Glory of God

BIRTHDAYS IN THE WEEK AHEAD

- Susan Baumann
- Michael Biehl
- Marilyn Bonner
- Megan Wertz

SERVING MESSIAH THIS MORNING

Ushers	Cindy Wilkinson and Mike Scullin
Lector and Intercessor	Vincent Ahonkhai; Eileen Patram
Chalice Bearer	Eileen Patram
Altar Guild	Jane Murray; Suzanne Shank; Cindy Palen
Altar Flowers	Hannah Albrecht
Crucifer	Maddy Putterman
Chimer	Kerry Stickel

## THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH: October 28– November 3

Monday	Church Office Hours 9:00 am- 2:00 pm Belfry Volunteer Meet and Greet with the Rector – Guild Room 10:00 am
Tuesday	Church Office Hours 9:00 am- 2:00 pm
Wednesday	Church Office Hours 9:00 am- 2:00 pm
Thursday	Church Office Hours 9:00 am- 2:00 pm Bell Choir rehearsal 6:00 pm
Friday	Church Office Hours 9:00 am- 2:00 pm
Next Sunday	All Saint's Sunday 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:30 am Holy Eucharist

## CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH STAFF

The Rev. Emily Given, Rector ([emily@messiahgwynedd.org](mailto:emily@messiahgwynedd.org))

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## CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH VESTRY

Susan Hess, Interim Warden

Sam Frenkel, Financial Warden

Lynn Mangan, Clerk

Class of 2025: Susan Hess, Dale Murphy, Warren Tudgay, Cathy Wallace, Marissa Beaver

Class of 2026: Marsha Althouse, Barbara Osborne, Linda Unangst

Class of 2027: Brett Baker, Claudette Sudlow, Cindy Wilkinson