

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
HOLY EUCHARIST—RITE II
SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 2022—5:00PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022—8:00 & 10:15AM
St. Mark's Guest Wi-Fi password *timetopray*

WELCOME

PRELUDE

BELL

PROCESSIONAL (*10:15 only*)

O God Our Help in Ages Past (v1 & 2, process, v4)

Hymnal 680

THE WORD OF GOD

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II *All standing*

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.***

COLLECT FOR PURITY (*all*)

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

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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People ***Amen.***

THE LESSONS (*seated*)

FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

Psalm 33:12-22 (*responsively by half-verse*)

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord;*

happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

13 The Lord looks down from heaven, *

and beholds all the people in the world.

14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze *

on all who dwell on the earth.

15 He fashions all the hearts of them *

and understands all their works.

16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; *

a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.

17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; *

for all its strength it cannot save.

18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, *

on those who wait upon his love,

19 To pluck their lives from death, *

and to feed them in time of famine.

20 Our soul waits for the Lord; *

he is our help and our shield.

21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, *

for in his holy Name we put our trust.

22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, *

as we have put our trust in you.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a

foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN (10:15 *only*)

How Firm a Foundation (v1, gospel, v2)

Hymnal 636

THE GOSPEL (*stand*)

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Luke 12:32-40**

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

HOMILY

Rev. Alan Akridge, Rector

THE NICENE CREED (*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 Scripture; 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 (*kneel*)

Deacon: We have been taught to pray by the Lord. So with one voice we ask for us all, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: To face the promise of life with the courage you give, we pray you, O Lord:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Reader: To face illness, suffering, and hardship with hope you give, especially Wallace, Linda, Albert, Mike, Joy, Bill, Bea, Carolyn, Dade, Jim, Holly, Garry, Jeremy, and Kimi; we pray you, O Lord:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Reader: To face the evil of life with the goodness you give, we pray you, O Lord:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Reader: To face the death of life with the love you give, we pray you, O Lord:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Reader: To face our aged with your unfailing mind, we pray you, O Lord:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Reader: To face our young with your unfailing heart, we pray you, O Lord:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Reader: To face our poor with your unfailing hand, we pray you, O Lord:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Reader: To face all war with loathing, as you do, we pray you, O Lord:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Reader: To face all peace with longing, we pray you, O Lord:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Deacon: It is your way with life that we want, O Lord, that we ask of you. And you have offered it. It is a joy to live by you. May those who do not know this find it out through your presence in their world. We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Celebrant says:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and 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 Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and 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.

People: **Amen.**

THE EXCHANGE OF PEACE *(people greet one another)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are invited to receive communion. You may receive at the altar or at the standing station at the chancel steps in individual containers. Please place empty containers in the designated receptacles as you leave. Offerings may be placed in the available offering plates. Communicants at home may request communion to be delivered by calling or texting 912.222.8746.

THE OFFERTORY

(spoken, 5:00 & 8:00)

All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.

(sung, 10:15)

**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 GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and says;

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 him 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.

Here a proper preface is said.

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:

THE SANCTUS

Celebrant and People

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 sit or kneel)

Celebrant 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,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

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 Mark 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.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BREAKING OF BREAD

BCP 364

FRACTION ANTHEM (*together; sung at 10:15*)

Hymnal S164

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

COMMUNION HYMN (*10:15 only*)

To God Be The Glory

Hymnal 66

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.

The people come forward as the pews are released by the ushers. You may receive at the altar or from baskets at the foot of the chancel steps. Return to the pew to consume the bread and wine and place containers in the receptacles as you depart.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN (10:15 only)

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (v1, process, v4)

Hymnal 423

THE DISMISSAL

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

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia**

POSTLUDE (10:15 only)



Mixon Coffee Hour resumes today in the parish hall following the 10:15 service. Enjoy coffee and light refreshments with others. Mixon Hour is the perfect opportunity to share our hospitality with guests.

Mark your calendar for Fall Bible study, to begin Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 11 AM in Mixon Hall. The Old Testament books of Hosea, Amos and Micah—three of the “minor” prophets—will be the subject of the fall focus. Gareth issues the invitation, saying, “Please join us to learn what these wise men had to say to their contemporaries in the ancient world, and especially what they might have to say to us today.”

The backpack pantry needs the following: Vienna sausage, small apple sauce cups, and healthy snacks for the weekend. Backpack packing begins next week.



BIRTHDAYS

- Aug. 7 William Spalding
- Aug. 8 David Herndon, Phyllis Sartin
- Aug. 9 George Bagby
- Aug. 11 Brad Butler
- Aug. 13 Jenny London

ANNIVERSARIES

We have no anniversaries this week.
If we missed your birthday or anniversary,
please notify the office.

PRAYER LIST

Wallace Harrell
Linda Rooney
Albert McInnis
Mike Whitley

Joy Youngner
Bea Newnam
Dade Brantley
Carolyn Little
Holly Holcombe

Bill Pelligrini
Jim Curran
Jeremy Owens
Garry Hill
Kimi Mashburn

In Person Attendance July 28-31, 2022

| Thurs. | Sat. | 8:00 | 10:15 | Towers | Total |
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| 20 | 23 | 23 | 71 | 7 | 144 |

Financial Update as of 7/27/2022

| | | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Received</u> |
|-------------------|----|---------------|-----------------|
| General Donations | \$ | 46,956 | \$ 41,142 |
| Pledges | \$ | 291,095 | \$ 247,523 |