

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"The Little Church with a Big Heart"

18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

Priest in Charge: Rev. Carl E. Mosley

Deacon: Rev. Deacon Dottie Vuono

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #113 — MAJESTY

FIRST ACCLAMATION – BCP 355

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

Celebrant 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 – BCP 356

Together 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

Celebrant O GOD, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES

Together Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils, which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

THE RABBLE AMONG THEM had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,’ to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.” So the Lord said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.” So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!”

PSALM 19:7-14 – *(Together -- Beginning & ending with the Refrain)*

REFRAIN:The statutes of the Lord rejoice the heart.

⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to
the innocent.

⁸ The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light
to the eyes.

⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous
altogether.

¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, more than
much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

¹¹ By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹² Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.

¹³ Above all, keep your servant from
presumptuous sins; let them not get
dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound, and
innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the
meditation of my heart be acceptable in
your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

*Second
Reading*

JAMES 5:13-20 — Bill De Haan

ARE ANY AMONG YOU SUFFERING? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

SEQUENCE HYMN #86 — IN HIS TIME

*Holy
Gospel*

MARK 9:38-50 — Rev. Deacon Dottie Vuono

JOHN SAID TO HIM, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

SERMON — Rev. Carl E. Mosley

NICENE CREED – BCP 358

Together

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 FORM VI — BCP 392 - Rev. Deacon Dottie Vuono

Deacon In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

People *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, and Kevin our Bishop(s); and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

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.

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

Together 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.*

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.*

PEACE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN #111 — LORD OF THE DANCE

DOXOLOGY

Together 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. *Amen*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A — BCP 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *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 him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

Together 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.

Celebrant 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:

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

Celebrant 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.*

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER — BCP 364

Together 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 THE BREAD – BCP 364

Celebrant [Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People *Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]*

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.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER — BCP 365

Together 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.*

Blessing Rev. Carl E. Mosley

COMMISSIONING HYMN — “SEND ME OUT”

Together Send me out to do the work you have given me to do.
Send me out to love and serve in the way you want me to.
Send me out into the world to do what must be done.
Send me out today to glorify your son.

RECESSIONAL HYMN #36 — FARTHER ALONG

Dismissal Rev. Deacon Dottie Vuono

MINISTRIES OF ST. MARY'S PARISH

Celebrant: All the members of the Parish

Sunday 10:30 AM Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist

Priest in Charge: Rev. Carl E. Mosley

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Lay Readers — Tom Brace; Conrad Fleck; Diane Fleck; Bill De Haan, Grissell De Haan; Sharon Hawk; Eugene Nichols; Debbie Stogner; Maureen Yocum; Vernon Proctor

Altar Guild Directress — Sharon Hawk

Communications Director (Web & Lay Readers) — Grissell De Haan

Episcopal Church Women (ECW) — Vice President: Diane Fleck

Sunshine Club President – Betty Myers

United Thank Offering (UTO) — Grissell De Haan/Maureen Yocum

STAFF:

Sr. Warden:

Eugene Nichols

Co-Jr. Wardens:

Charles Hawk & Jerry Stogner

Treasurer: Maureen Yocum

Asst. Treas: Debbie Stogner

Secretary:

Grissell De Haan

VESTRY MEMBERS:

For 2021 there will be 3 vestry positions to be filled. Parish members are welcomed to volunteer

Terry Chike - (2021)

Grissell De Haan - (2023)

Conrad Fleck - (2022)

Calvin Horn - (2022)

Eugene Nichols - (2021)

Betty Myers - (2021)

Amber Welch - (2023)

SERVING TODAY

Priest in Charge

Deacon

Crucifer

Ushers

Lay Reader

Altar

Rev. Carl E. Mosley

Rev. Deacon Dottie Vuono

Bill De Haan

Gayle Taylor

Bill De Haan/Diane Fleck

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