

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Season After Pentecost
Proper XVI



The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents
in the Borough of Beach Haven, New Jersey
23 August, 2020 ~ 9:30 AM

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

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

**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. *All: Amen.*

**Gloria in excelsis*

BCP, p. 356

All: 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 of the Day

BCP, p. 232

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *All: Amen.*

The Lesson

Isaiah 51:1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the LORD.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn,

and to the quarry from which you were dug.

Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you;

for he was but one when I called him,
but I blessed him and made him many.

For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places,
and will make her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the LORD;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation;
for a teaching will go out from me,
and my justice for a light to the peoples.

I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out
and my arms will rule the peoples;

the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope.

Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a
garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats;

but my salvation will be for ever,
and my deliverance will never be ended.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual: Psalm 138 (*Read responsively by whole verse*)

1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;

3 For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.

4 When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.

7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.

9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

The Epistle

Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn # 525 *The Church's One Foundation* (1,2,5)

AURELIA

***The Holy Gospel**

Matthew 16:13-20

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they

said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** (*All are seated*)

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Caroline Carson+

The Nicene Creed

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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 III**

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(The people may stand or kneel)

Celebrant: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People: **That we all may be one.**

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader: In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of the Province of South East Asia The Most Revd Melter Tais - Archbishop of South East Asia & Bishop of Sabah. We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for William our Bishop; for Judith our Deacon, for Caroline, our Rector. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Leader: For Nancy our Mayor, Philip our Governor, and Donald our President; We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader: We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially remembering all victims of climate change, and for the poor. We also remember all those mentioned in our Parish Prayer List: the sick, the shut in, and the grieving; those serving in the military and other dangerous professions, and for our enemies, that all hearts may be turned to peace. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest.

People: **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (*The People may add their own petitions.*)

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Confession - 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.*

Absolution

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***The Peace** (*All stand*)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Parish Notices

THE HOLY COMMUNION

***The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A**

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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 every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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 (All)

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 may stand or kneel)

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:

All: 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. *All: AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

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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

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

(All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Currently, our diocesan guidelines allow us to offer the Holy Sacraments in one kind only. The Bread will be offered and Wine will be placed on the altar for adoration.)

Postcommunion Prayer *(Stand or kneel)*

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**

***Hymn #522** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (1,2,4)*

AUSTRIA

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Parish Prayer List - Week of August 23, 2020

*If you need to add or delete a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by **Wednesday, August 26th.***

Angela	Bob	Marie Bregler
Brooke	Matt Brown	Joan Connolly
Judy Contreras	Mary Ann Crewdson	Dcn Judy
Michael Read Davis	Dennis	Donald Deacon
Carol Dobbins	Meg Dougher	Elizabeth Ann
Faye & Ed	Frank	Charles Gonzalez
Ed Gonzalez	Kendra Hall	Barbara Hanlon
Ted Hansen	Hillary	Jeannine
Jeanne, John & Caitlin	Joe, Pat & Rich	Johnny
Barbara Josephine	Shirley Harris	Warren Lamon
Marcie Lane	Diane Lee	Cecily Lovas
Mary Jane	Evelyn Nancy	Virginia Nicholas
Jeannette Peterson	Bob Prindible	Carol Ann Renzland
Kathy Rice	Maren Louise Rautiola	Matt Russo
Robert Thomas	Rob & Stacey	Rich Serfling
Marie Serfling	Lara Sparks	Greg & Ray Schwartz
Steve	Vaughan Family	Colin Walker
Ann White	Joel & Kate White	Ruth Wolf

Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:

Andrew Wall, Brandan White, Joseph Alexander, Zachary Arlin, Paul Bailey, Justin A. Dumhart, Danny Melega

Birthdays: Jeanne Cashel (08/23), Barry Longenbach (08/25), Ellen J. Meyer (08/26), Joseph Mrazek (08/26), Stacey Goddard (08/26)

Anniversaries: Chuck and Marjorie Hall (08/29)

Altar Flowers: Today's Altar Flowers are given as follows:

In celebration of Jeanne Cashel's birthday by Richard Cashel and to the Glory of God.

In memory of Gene Hammond by Carol Hammond, Amy, Sarah and to the Glory of God.

WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR August 24th – 29th

25 – Tuesday	Book Study (zoom)	2:00 PM
28 – Friday	Kid’s Korner	7:00 PM
29 – Saturday	Praying through the Psalms	7:00 PM

WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS to wipe down pews and items between the 7:30 service and again after the 9:30 service

REMEMBER

Masks must be worn at all times, unless aged 2 or under or your severity of health/breathing medically prevents it. No congregational singing is allowed according to diocesan guidelines.

Holy Innocents’ Summer Circles

Hymns in the Garden – Monday, August 31 at 5:00 p.m.

All circles are outside~Masks must be worn and physical distancing will be strictly followed. Some activities require you to bring your own items/chair.

GIVING YOUR WAY

1 Weekly Offering

Place offering envelopes or check/cash in the plate during worship service. Mailing or dropping at church is always an option!

2 Direct Giving from Your Checking Account

If you pay your bills online, simply add HI as a payee. Most banks allow you to set this up as a recurring gift if you like.

3 Online through GivePlus+ Church NEW!

Go to our website hiecbh.com to set up an account or make a one-time gift through our safe & secure GivePlus+ service.

4 Mobile Giving NEW!

Use your cell phone. Download the GivePlus+ Church app from your iphone’s App Store or android’s Google Play. Search for HI using our zipcode 08008. Set up an account or donate without an account using your checking account or a credit card. Recurring payments will need an account set up.

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