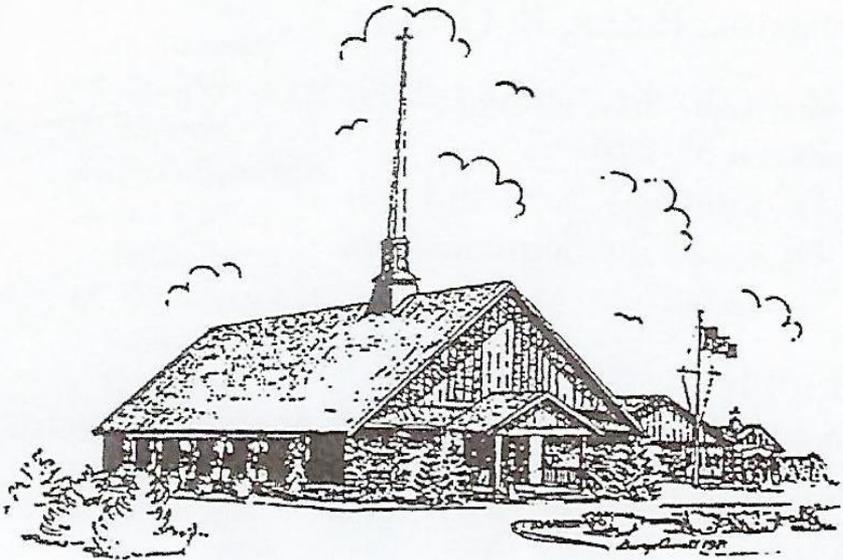


The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

*The Fourteenth Sunday After
Pentecost*



*The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents
in the Borough of Beach Haven, New Jersey
29 August, 2021 ~ 9:30 AM*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

***Hymn #138 (LEVAS)** *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* (vs. 1,2&5) Traditional Spiritual

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

People:* **And blessed be God's 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. *All: Amen.*

***Gloria in excelsis S-280** (*All sing*)

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 233

**Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

People:* **And also with you.

Celebrant:* Let us pray. Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **All: Amen.

The First Lesson

Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9

Moses said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you.

You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely,

so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 15 *(Read responsively by whole verse)*

BCP, p. 599

- 1 LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
 who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
 who speaks the truth from his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
 he does no evil to his friend; *
 he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
 but he honors those who fear the LORD.
- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
 and does not take back his word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
 nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things *
 shall never be overthrown.

The Epistle

James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at

themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

***Sequence Hymn #628** *Help Us, O Lord, to Learn* ST. ETHELWALD

***The Holy Gospel** **Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.’ You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit,

licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Canon Bruce Woodcock+

***The Nicene Creed**

BCP, p. 358

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**

BCP, p. 387

(The people may stand or kneel)

Deacon: 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 Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. 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. And for our guest celebrant Bruce. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

Leader: For Colleen our Mayor, Philip our Governor, and Joseph 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.)

The presider prays the concluding collect, and the people respond, Amen.

Deacon: 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

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

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Parish Notices

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Come, Ye Blessed

Soloist: Sally Potts

John Prindle Scott

***Presentation of the Gifts** (*All stand*)

"All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee"

***The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B**

BCP, p. 367

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. 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 S-129 (*All sing*)

(The People may stand 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,

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

Celebrant: 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 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. *All: AMEN.*

The Lord’s Prayer

BCP, p. 364

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: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

(All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. Diocesan guidelines allow the Holy Sacraments in one kind only. Bread will be offered and Wine will be placed on the altar for adoration.)

Fraction Anthem: S-169 (all sing)

Cantor or Choir
My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -

1 *All* 2 *Cantor or Choir*
deed, says the Lord. My Lord. Those who eat my

All
flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My

flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

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 #436** *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* (vs. 1,2,3&5) TRURO

***Dismissal** BCP, p. 366

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

People : **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Serving Today:

Lectors ~ *Gail Jacobsen*

Ushers & Greeters ~ *Gail Jacobsen, Bob Weidmann*

Welcome Rev. Canon Bruce W. Woodcock

Parish Prayer List – August 29, 2021

PLEASE NOTE: This is the last Sunday in August. All names will be removed from the prayer list. If you need to add a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by Wednesday, September 1st.

Jean & Keith Acin	Matt Adams	Beth C.
Beverlee	Eddie Boll	Borrone Family
Jackson Brackett	Marie Bregler	Joan Connolly
Judy Contreras	Lynn Cowper	Mary Ann Crewdson
Davis Family	Dennis	Carol Dobbins
Meg Dougher	Ella	Faye
Carol Frake	Frank	Fran Harris
Shirley Hickey	Hillary	Harold & Cheryl Hawkes
Joyce Hillyer	Kara Hughes	Janet
Jeannine	Joan, Susan & Bob	Claire Johns

John Johnson, Jr.	Karen G.	Karen & DJ
Robin Koch	Cyndi Lamon	Alan Lee
Diane Lee	Lauren & Ed	Lindsey
Lorraine & Drew	Cecily Lovas	Kurt Martin
Mary Ann	Mary Jane	Butch McCaffrey
Scott Mitchell	Virginia Nicholas	Maryanne O.
Sharon Osborn	TJ Patton	Patty
Lucien Picard	Pinky	Carol Ann Renzland
Kathy Rice	Lara Sparks Deitz	Matt Starr
Marie Stasik	Bill Todd	Robert Thomas
Colin Walker	Wendy	Ann White
Rebecca Whitley	Rits	Sherri

Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:

Paul Bailey, Justin A. Dumhart, Danny Melega, Andrew Wall, Brandan White

Birthdays: Virginia Gottshall (08/30), Thomas Jacobsen (08/30)
Mary Brown (08/31), Deborah Hunter (09/03)

Anniversaries: Chuck & Marjorie Hall (08/29)

Altar Flowers: Today's Altar Flowers are given in memory of Gene Hammond by Carol, Amy & Sarah and to the Glory of God.

WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR August 30th – September 4th

30 – Mon	No Morning Prayer	
31 – Tues	Taizé Service (Church)	5:00 PM
02 – Thurs	Congregational Dinner (sign-up)	6:30 PM
	Compline (FB Live)	9:00 PM
03 – Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
	Kids Korner (FB)	7:00 PM
04 – Sat	Baptism of Logan Gregorek	9:00 AM
	<i>(Angela & Brian Hala's grandson)</i>	
	Psalms with Dcn. Judy (FB Live)	7:00 PM

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC – This fun event is set for Sunday, September 26th beginning at 5:00 PM. All are welcomed!

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