

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

*The Baptism of Oakley Elizabeth Pinto
and
A Celebration of Freedom Sunday!*



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

Prelude

Hymn #537 *Christ for the World We Sing! (vs. 1,3&4)*

MOSCOW

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

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

**Celebrant:* There is one Body and one Spirit;

People:* **There is one hope in God's call to us;

**Celebrant:* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People:* **One God and Father of all.

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant: Almighty God, we gather today to celebrate freedom, hope, the innocence of all children, the baptism of Oakley Elizabeth Pinto, and the weekly remembrance of Christ's passion, death, resurrection, and ascension. We will come to your table, O Lord, and accept the promise of your salvation in the holy sacraments of bread and wine.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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 61:1-3

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion-- to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Epistle

Philippians 1:21-30

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #660 *O Master, Let me Walk with Thee*

MARYTON

***The Holy Gospel**

Matthew 20:1-16

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

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay,

beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

International Justice Mission

Gail South

Homily

The Rev. Dr. Caroline Carson+

The Baptism of Oakley Elizabeth Pinto

(Congregation remains seated as the parents and godparents bring their child to the front of the church.)

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate for Baptism

***Family:* I present Oakley Elizabeth Pinto to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

***Family:* I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

***Family:* I will, with God's help.**

The Renunciations and Affirmations

Celebrant: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

***Family:* I renounce them.**

Celebrant: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Family: **I renounce them.**

Celebrant: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Family: **I renounce them.**

Celebrant: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Family: **I do.**

Celebrant: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Family: **I do.**

Celebrant: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Family: **I do.**

Celebrant, Addressing the Congregation: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

All: **We will.**

Celebrant: Let us join those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

***The Baptismal Covenant**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

(Priest, parents, godparents and children to be baptized, move to the font.)

***Prayers for the Candidates**

Celebrant: Let us now pray for this child who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *All: Amen.*

***Thanksgiving over the Water**

An Appointed person pours water into the font. The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

***The Baptism**

The parents and Godparents present the child by name to the Celebrant, who then pours water upon him/her, saying

Oakley Elizabeth., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *All: Amen.*

Then the Priest places a hand on the child's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross using Chrism and saying,

Oakley Elizabeth, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your child the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her inquiring and discerning hearts, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized!

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

***Freedom Sunday Petitions**

(The people may stand or kneel)

Celebrant: Almighty God, we pray for the rescue and restoration of the victims of all forms of trafficking and exploitation, expressly for an end to their exploitation and abuse; for safe and secure shelters to provide for their physical, emotional, and spiritual needs; for loving caretakers to provide comfort and a sense of family; for training and education opportunities to provide survivors with productive livelihoods; for medical treatment to meet their many health concerns; and that the Gospel message reach their ears and be received in their hearts.

Leader: We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Today, we especially pray for all victims of human trafficking, all forms of slavery, those who seek asylum, all refugees, those affected by climate change, corrupt governance, poverty, and violence of unceasing wars. 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: We thank you Lord, for all the blessings of this life, and today especially give thanks for the progress made and accomplishments toward freedom from slavery, oppression, human trafficking, and peace. We ask for your continued blessings on all who have risen from suffering and strife into the joys of your creation and harmony.

People: **Thank you, God, for your blessings in this life.**

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

Celebrant Almighty God, who created us in your image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

***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

Offertory

Hymn #74 (LEVAS) *Jesu, Jesu*

GHANA FOLK SONG

***The Great Thanksgiving:**

BCP, p. 405

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: We give thanks to God for his work in creation and his revelation of himself to his people and so we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, as we say:

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: We now praise God for the salvation of the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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."

Recalling now his suffering and death, and celebrating his resurrection and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Accept, O Lord, our sacrifice of praise, this memorial of our redemption. Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts. Let them be for us the Body and Blood of your Son. And grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be filled with your life and goodness.

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

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*) National Reconciliation Svc

All: Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for giving us the ministry of reconciliation, and for inspiring us to seek Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves, and to respect the dignity of every human being. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world, committing ourselves to racial healing, justice, and reconciliation; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

***Blessing**

***Hymn #607** *O God of Every Nation (vs. 1,3 &4)* LLANGLOFFAN

***Dismissal** BCP, p. 366

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

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

Parish Prayer List - Week of September 20, 2020

*If you need to add or delete a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by **Wednesday, September 23rd.***

Angela	Bob	Marie Bregler
Brooke	Matt Brown	Joan Connolly
Beth C	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	Shirley Harris	Shirley Hickey
Hillary	Jeannine	Jeanne, John & Caitlin
Joe, Pat & Rich	Johnny	Barbara Josephine
Warren Lamon	Diane Lee	Cecily Lovas
Lynn	Mary Jane	Kurt Martin
Evelyn Nancy	Virginia Nicholas	Jeannette Peterson
Bob Prindible	Carol Ann Renzland	Kathy Rice
Matt Russo	Robert Thomas	Rob & Stacey
Rich Serfling	Marie Serfling	Lara Sparks

Greg & Ray Schwartz	Javy Vargas	Vaughan Family
Colin Walker	Ann White	Joel & Kate White
Ruth Wolf	The Kean Family	Allison, Garrett, & Leann

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: Melissa Wall (09/20), Kerry Horleman (09/21), Ted Johnson (09/26)

Anniversaries: Rich & Colette Southwick (09/20)

Altar Flowers: Today's Altar Flowers are given in celebration of
Melissa Wall's birthday by her son John and to the Glory of God.

WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR September 21st – 26th

21 – Monday	Morning Prayer	9:00 AM
	EP & Firepit	6:30 PM
	Compline	9:00 PM
22 – Tuesday	Book Study (zoom)	2:00 PM
	Sung Evening Prayer	6:00 PM
23 – Wednesday	Choir Meeting	7:00 PM
24 – Thursday	Compline	9:00 PM
25 – Friday	Kid's Korner	7:00 PM
26 – 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

EP & Firepit – Sept. 21st @ 6:30 PM

Morning Prayer & Coffee - Sept. 28th @ 9 AM

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

PLEASE RSVP!

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