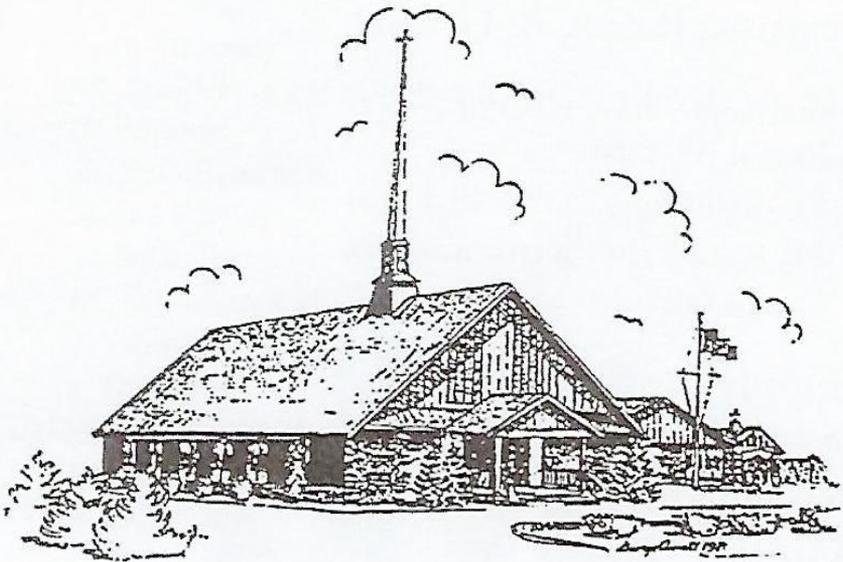


The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

*The Fifteenth Sunday After
Pentecost*



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

Welcome! In The Episcopal Church all baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. BCP means The Book of Common Prayer (Red Book).

** Indicates to stand as you are able*

Prelude *Voluntary*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

***Hymn #371** *Thou, Whose Almighty Word*

MOSCOW

**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. Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **All: Amen.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

 'Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.

 He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.

 He will come and save you.

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,

 and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

then the lame shall leap like a deer,

 and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 146 *(Read responsively by whole verse)*

BCP, p. 803

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul! *

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.

3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the LORD their God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in
them; * who keeps his promise for ever;

6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.

7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; *
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

8 The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

9 The LORD shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!

The Epistle

James 2:1-10, [11-13], 14-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor

person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.[For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.] What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

***Sequence Hymn #632** *O Christ, the Word Incarnate*

MUNICH

***The Holy Gospel**

Mark 7:24-37

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

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

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down

at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Caroline Carson+

***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 Episcopal Church of 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 (It is customary to sing an Offertory hymn *seated*.)

Hymn #671 *Amazing Grace*

NEW BRITAIN

***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.)

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 #718** *God of Our Fathers*

NATIONAL HYMN

***Dismissal**

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

People : **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Serving Today

Lectors ~ *Bill Kehr*

Ushers ~ *Kay DeCicco, Mike DeCicco*

~We welcome Harold Hawkes as our guest organist today~

Parish Prayer List – September 5, 2021

PLEASE NOTE: *If you need to add or remove a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by Wednesday, September 8th.*

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
Melody Long	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: Erma Green (09/06), Richard Neff (09/06)

Joanne Sencindiver (09/07), Lynne Cowper (09/09)

Anniversaries: Phillip & Florence Boulden (09/08),

Bill & Lynne Cowper (09/09), Richard & Karen Vaughan (09/09)

Altar Flowers: Today's Altar Flowers are given in memory of Desha Rosborough by Bruce Rosborough and to the Glory of God.

WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR September 06th – September 11th

06 – Mon	<i>Parish Office Closed ~ Labor Day</i>	
	Morning Prayer	9:00 AM
07 – Tues	Evening Prayer (FB Live)	6:00 PM
09 – Thurs	Bible Study (Rectory)	2:00 PM
	Vestry Meeting (Church)	7:00 PM
	Compline (FB Live)	9:00 PM
10 – Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
	Kids Korner (FB)	7:00 PM
11 – Sat	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!



TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!!

Our Annual Auction date has been set for **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14th** and we will return to the Shell! *Thank you Tom & Sherry Hughes and the Shell for hosting us!* Tickets are on sale now from Maggie Aftanis on Sunday or from Lisa Halpin in the Parish Office Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Contact: Maggie Aftanis at 609-492-5271 for more info.

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