September 17, 2023 Lectionary Year A Proper 19



Parable of the Unforgiving Servant by Claude Vignon, 1629 @

The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost



Responses of the people shown in italics

The Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

The Collect for Purity

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.*

The Summary of the Law

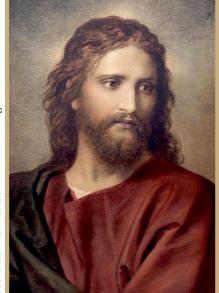
Father DeWayne Adams

The Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us. *Christ, have mercy upon us.* Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Gloria in Excelsis

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



by Heinrich Hofmann, 1889 @

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

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE CONGREGATION MAY BE SEATED

The First Reading

A Reading from Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7.

³⁰ Anger and wrath, these also are abominations, yet a sinner holds on to them. **28** The vengeful will face the Lord's vengeance, for he keeps a strict account of their sins. ² Forgive your neighbour the wrong he has done, and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray. ³ Does anyone harbour anger against another, and expect healing from the Lord? ⁴ If someone has no mercy towards another like himself, can he then seek pardon for his own sins? ⁵ If a mere mortal harbours wrath, who will make an atoning sacrifice for his sins? ⁶ Remember the end of your life, and set enmity aside; remember corruption and death, and be true to the commandments. ⁷ Remember the commandments, and do not be angry with your neighbour; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook faults. (NRSVA)

Here ends the reading.

Psalm 103:1-14

Benedic, anima mea

- Praise the LORD, O my soul, *
 and all that is within me, praise his holy Name.
- Praise the LORD, O my soul, * and forget not all his benefits:
- Who forgives all your sin * and heals all your infirmities,
- Who saves your life from the pit * and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness,
- Who satisfies you with good things, * renewing your youth like an eagle's.
- 6 The LORD executes righteousness and judgment * for all those who are oppressed with wrong.
- He showed his ways to Moses, * his works to the children of Israel.
- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, * long-suffering and of great goodness.
- 9 He will not always chide us, * neither will he keep his anger for ever.
- He has not dealt with us according to our sins, * nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
- For as the heavens are high above the earth, * so great is his mercy also toward those who fear him.
- As far as the east is from the west, * so far has he set our sins from us.
- As a father pities his own children, * so is the LORD merciful to those who fear him.
- For he knows whereof we are made; * he remembers that we are but dust.

The Second Reading

A Reading from Romans 14:5-12.

⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

¹⁰ Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹ for it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God."

¹² So then each of us will give an account of himself to God. (ESV)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 18:21-35. *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

²¹ Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²² Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.

²³ "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. 2 When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. 2 And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. 28 But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, dand seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' 30 He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. 31 When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. 32 Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. 33 And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' 34 And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. 35 So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart." (ESV)

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The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Father DeWayne Adams

PLEASE STAND

The Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, 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.

PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED

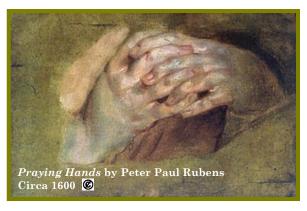
The Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy: *Hear our prayer*.

[Repeat response after
"Lord, in your mercy."]

The Confession and Absolution of Sin Most merciful God, we

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.

5 *universal

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Comfortable Words

Father DeWayne Adams

PLEASE STAND

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

PLEASE BE SEATED

Announcements and Birthday/Anniversary Blessings

The Offering

PLEASE STAND

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord, *And of your own have we given you*.

[1 Chronicles 29:11, 14]

PLEASE STAND

The Sursum Corda

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new.

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:

The Sanctus

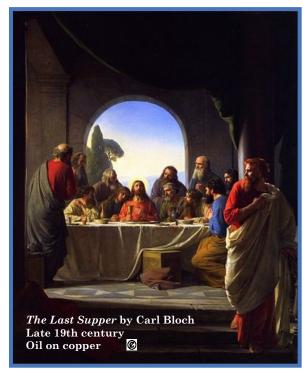
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED

The Prayer of Consecration

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world

for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.



On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

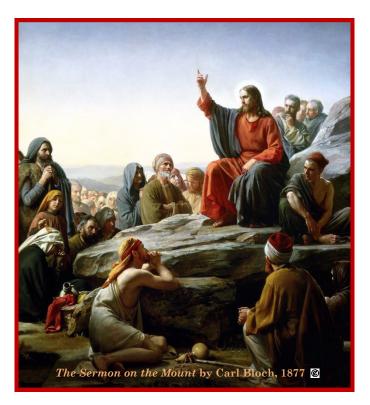
Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them. saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ WILL come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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.*



The Lord's Prayer

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

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 Fraction

Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross. *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia*.

The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Receiving Communion and Blessings

We welcome all baptized Christians to receive communion—right hand on top of left, palms up. Those wishing to receive only the bread may cross their arms over their chest as a sign to the Chalice Bearer that you will not be receiving the wine.

If you don't wish to receive communion or if you're not a baptized Christian, you may come up, fold your hands across your chest, and the Rector (Pastor) will say a prayer of blessing for you.

PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED

The Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray. Heavenly Father, We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

PRAYER MINISTERS TO THE FRONT OF THE NAVE

The Blessing

Father DeWayne Adams

The Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia. *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

SERVING TODAY

Sun., Sept. 17 8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M. A colyteLEMsSam Pressler/Linda Wright Ken Skoczlas/Rich Mac Kay Readers George Curl/Mike Walsh Wendy Hernandez/Mandy Smith Altar Guild Linda Wright/Linda Mac Ahan Merry Frey/Peggie Morales Prayer Team Susie Massey/Diane Barber Bernie Christian UshersBill Risk/Ron Myrick Joan Cestaro/Keith Smith Coffee Hosts Gault/Skoczlas Jim Rezac Welcome Center Carolyn Walsh/Mike Walsh Jayne Adams

WELCOME

If you're new to St. Anne's Church, here are some things that can help make your worship experience even more enjoyable.

- 1. The service is outlined in this bulletin. If you get lost, which is normal, just stay where you are in the bulletin and you'll soon find where we are.
- 2. You may be unfamiliar with some of the service music and hymns we sing. Feel free to just listen to the music and let God speak to you through it.
- 3. If you'd prefer not to kneel at those times in the service, remaining seated is fine.
- 4. You won't be singled out as a guest. Please fill out our Guest/Member Communication Card near the pencils in the pew backs and drop it in the offering plate at the back.
- 5. Our ushers are available to answer any of your questions.

Relax, focus on God, and worship with your mind and heart. Enjoy your visit with us, as we will enjoy having you here.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

We welcome your children to our worship services! Pick up an activity folder and coloring bag from the bookshelf outside the Nave for your child to enjoy during worship.

WAYS TO GIVE ONLINE TO ST. ANNE'S

stannesfw.org/giving or text any amount (e.g., 25) to 646-832-4848 (quickcode: stannes)

The sanctuary light is given to the Glory of God by St. Deborah's Guild.

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Debby Shiffer in honor of her family and were arranged by Linda Mac Ahan.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AND BLESS

Cards and prayers for members and loved ones

Was someone removed from this list in error? Do you need to add someone? Contact Bey in the office at bey@stannesfw.org or 817-237-1888.

Healing

Max & Melissa Baucum; George Cestaro; Jerrell Coburn; Anna Conde; Nancy Curl; John Edwards; Marisela Espino; Sister Monica Clare (Jan Gill); Lisa Hardin; Sam Pressler; Rita Prestage; Lani Thomas; Linda Trotter; Ruth Whitaker

Shut-in

Sister Monica Clare (Jan Gill)

Military

Andrew Anderson (Navy); Johnathan Carpenter (Army); Ryan Carter (Air Force); George Curl, Richard Curl & Stephanie Curl (Air Force); Kevin Gonzalez (Marines); Connor Klein (Air Force)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 17

Bring a Loaf of Bread for Neighbors Fellowship After Morning Worship 12:00 P.M. First Communion Class

Monday, September 18

No events

Tuesday, September 19

7:00 P.M. Spanish Prayer Group

Wednesday, September 20

9:00 A.M. Women's Bible Study in Spanish

Thursday, September 21

10:00 A.M. Food Distribution at Sansom Pointe 6:30 P.M. Vestry Meeting

Friday, September 22

7:00 P.M. Couples' Evening in Spanish

Saturday, September 23

No events

GIVING Needs Offerings LAST SUN.: \$8,020 ~ \$12,889

BIRTHDAYS

- 17 Jesús Mota
- 18 Elizabeth Morris
- 23 Lupita Mota

ANNIVERSARIES

- 18 Mary Helen & Chuck Vaught
- 23 Lisa & Brian Hardin

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO DISTRIBUTE FOOD

Thurs., Sept. 21 from 10 to 1 Sansom Pointe Apartments Can you help? Email Martha McKean: kmbhurst@hotmail.com

WEEKLY EMAIL

Subscribe to our Weekly Email on our home page or email the office (bev@stannesfw.org).

JOIN ST. ANNE'S CHOIR

Practice by the organ—9:15 A.M.

Questions? Contact Martha McKean or just come!

Tamales for Sale!

Come to the kitchen before or after worship



today to buy pork or chicken tamales made by our 1:00 parishioners.

Cost: \$18/dozen or \$9/half dozen.

Cash or check. Thanks!

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

The Right Reverend Ryan Reed, Bishop Father DeWayne Adams, Interim Rector

LEADERSHIP

St. Anne's Vestry

Ministry Coordinators

Martha McKean Senior Warden Choirmaster & Organist Junior Warden Charles Mac Ahan Acolytes

Altar Flowers

Altar Guild

Martha McKean Rich Mac Kay Melissa Baucum Karen Chichester

Martha Aguilar Tad Chichester Chuy Mota **Kay Sanders**

Amanda Smith

Children & Youth Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Merry Frey Linda Wright Jesús Mota Chuck Parmele

Treasurer Dolores Nelson* Clerk

Vacant*

John Edwards Readers Ushers Welcome Center

Bill McKean Melissa Baucum Melissa Baucum Funerals Karen Chichester Kitchen

Weddings Melissa Baucum Parish Administrator

Bev Pierce Sexton Elmer Beard

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