

St. John's Episcopal Church

**The Sixteenth Sunday
after Pentecost**
September 8, 2013



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Holy Eucharist

Ordinary Time, Proper 18

Sunday, September 8, 2013

Liturgy of the Word

Hymn

God of grace and God of glory

Hymnal 594

All standing, the Celebrant says

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

The Celebrant says

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 following is sung, all standing

O praise ye the Lord

Hymnal 432

Collect of the Day

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. *Amen.*

First Reading

Jeremiah 18:1-11

All sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Remain seated.

Psalm 139:1-5,12-17

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Second Reading

Philemon 1-21

A Reading from Paul's letter to Philemon.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence

All stand.

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult

Hymnal 550

Holy Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel is read, the people respond as follows:

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Nicene Creed

All stand.

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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],
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.

Prayers of the People

All remain standing.

Creator of all, like a potter you mold and shape us. Open us as vessels to receive your Spirit, through which we now pray:

We pray for all in government leadership, especially Barack, our president, Steve, our governor, and all who serve in the legislature and judiciary. We pray for those who serve in the military, especially Silvestre.

Like clay in the hands of a potter, reshape us through their leadership to be a nation that values justice and peace.

We pray for Syria, Egypt and all regions of the world broken by conflict.

Like clay in the hands of a potter, reshape us to be ministers of reconciliation to all who are shaken by strife.

We pray for freedom for those unjustly imprisoned and those enslaved to alcohol, drugs and destructive habits.

Like clay in the hands of a potter, reshape us to stand up for the weak and vulnerable, and turn us away from apathy over the suffering of others.

We pray for the earth and for all its creatures. Protect the earth from damage and sustain the earth's productivity so that the world may be fed.

Like clay in the hands of a potter, reshape us to take good care of the earth's treasures, and turn us away from greed and waste.

We pray for all who minister in the church and in the world, both lay and ordained. In particular we pray for Katharine, our presiding bishop, Doug, our bishop, Rebecca, our priest, and St. Hubert's Church, Clark County, the Venerable Bryant Kibler, Priest-in-Charge, and the Rev. Charles Ellestad, Assisting Priest.

Like clay in the hands of a potter, reshape us to minister in the world, and turn us away from faltering commitment and selfishness.

We pray in thanksgiving for the good gifts you have poured out upon us, and give you thanks for the blessings of this day. In particular we pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Amanda Bowling, Barbara Stolz and Caleb Myers.

Like clay in the hands of the potter, reshape us and them as vessels open to receive all the blessings you have in store for us.

Lord, you formed us in our mother's wombs and hold all our days in your hands. Have mercy on all who are sick or in any other need. Especially we pray for Diana, Jack, Jim, Sharae, Leroy, Phillip Faye, Jerry, Ruby, Brenda, Kevin, John and Emily

Like clay in the hands of a potter, reshape us to care for those we know need love and support, and turn us away from despair when trouble comes to us.

We pray for all who have died that they may find comfort and rest in the hands of the Divine Potter.

Like clay in the hands of the potter, reshape us to comfort those who mourn the loss of a loved one.

Confession of Sin

All kneel.

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence.

Minister and People together say

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Announcements may be made at this point in the service.

Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Hymn

I come with joy to meet my Lord

Hymnal 304

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

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.

The Celebrant proceeds

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

Celebrant and People

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 stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.
AMEN.

The Celebrant then continues

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

People and Celebrant

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.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn

Have Thine Own Way, Lord!

LEVAS 145

1. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
2. I have thine own way, Lord! I have thine own way!
3. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
4. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!

1. Thou art the pot - ter, I am the clay!
2. Search me and try me. Mas - ter, to - day!
3. Wound - ed and wea - ry. Help me, I pray!
4. Hold o'er my be - ing Ab - so - lute sway!

1. Mold me and make me Aft - er thy will,
2. Pur - er than snow, Lord, Wash me just now,
3. Pow - er all pow - er Sure - ly is thine!
4. Fill with thy Spir - it 'Til all shall see

1. While I am wait - ing, Yield - ed and still,
2. As in thy pres - ence Hum - bly I bow,
3. Touch me and heal me, Sav - ior di - vine!
4. Christ on - ly, al - ways, Liv - ing in me!

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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

The priest blesses the people, saying

The Wisdom of God the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. *Amen.* (source: Celtic)

Postcommunion Hymn

God is Love, let heaven adore him

Hymnal 379

Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Notes and News

Contact Information: Rev. Rebecca Myers will be available by appointment. She can be reached at 859-429-1659 or priest-in-charge@stjohnscorbin.org .

Wednesday Worship: Each Wednesday evening there is a worship service that begins at 6:00 pm.

Would you like to be baptized, confirmed or received into the Episcopal church?

Bishop Hahn will make his annual visit to St. John's on Sunday, October 20. If you would like to be baptized, confirmed or received into the Episcopal church, please let me know so we can schedule the appropriate classes.

Christian Formation for children and adults begins October 6.

Children are invited to participate in the Godly Play program. Look for more information on the Adult Formation classes.

Volunteers are Needed for Christian Formation.

Is God calling you to service in the spiritual direction of children? If so, see Anne Day Davis about assisting with the Godly Play classes for children.

If you are being called to assist adults, see Rebecca.

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Prayers for the Week

For those seeking God's healing touch, especially: Diana, Jack, Jim, Sharae, Leroy, Phillip Faye, Jerry, Ruby, Brenda, Kevin, John and Emily.

For the men and women serving in the armed forces, especially: Silvestre.

In thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays, especially: Amanda Bowling, Barbara Stolz and Caleb Myers.

In accordance with the diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for St. Hubert's Church, Clark County, the Venerable Bryant Kibler, Priest-in-Charge, and the Rev. Charles Ellestad, Assisting Priest.