



The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
THE HOLY EUCHARIST
Sunday, 26 September 2021 • 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Pensacola, Florida • Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

The People's responses are in **bold italicized** words.
Hymns are in the blue Hymnal 1982.
Other page numbers refer to the red Book of Common Prayer.

Worship Information

Welcome to Christ Church! We especially welcome our visitors and newcomers and ask that you fill out a visitor card so that we can thank you for coming.

Due to the rise in COVID-19 in our area, we are temporarily requiring masks to be worn while you are in the church, covering both nose and mouth, regardless of vaccination status.

Please sit in the designated seating and keep a minimum of six feet between you and others present (except those you arrive with), especially when entering and exiting the church, and when approaching to receive the Eucharist.

If you attend worship and are later diagnosed with COVID-19, notify the church immediately so that we can take the necessary steps to protect others from the spread of the virus.

Please continue to mail in your offerings, make them online, or text GIVE to 850-403-6673 (the first time will have a quick, one-time registration). An offering plate is also present when you come up for communion.

Opening Voluntary

Variations on "Adoro te devote" — Gerald Near (b. 1942)

Hymn in Procession

Hymn 390 — Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Welcome

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD – BCP 355

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

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

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.**

Kyrie: Lord have mercy

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Lord, have mercy, **Christ, have mercy**, Lord, have mercy

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

(The People may be seated.)

The Lesson — James 5:13-20

Reader A reading from the Letter of James.

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

(The People stand for the Gospel.)

The Gospel — Mark 9:38-50

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into

hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out: it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord. *People Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon *The Rev. Dr. Michael Hoffman*

Silence may be kept.

The Nicene Creed *(The People stand)* **BCP 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.

Prayers of the People: Form I **BCP 383**

Celebrant Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
(The People kneel.)

Reader With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, Russell, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For our President, Joe, for the leaders of the nations, and for all

in authority, and for all in our military particularly those serving in harm’s way, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, and we pray for all those affected by hurricanes or other disasters, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For reasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For all those who serve in the medical community and mediate your grace to those who are sick, and for all those who are working to restore the health of our community, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and suffering, *(especially...)*, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, *(especially...)*, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence may be kept. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin **BCP 360**

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant 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.

The Celebrant stands and says

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

The Peace (*All stand.*)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Remaining in place, greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

Announcements

10:30 - Offertory Anthem

"Gracious Spirit, dwell with me" – arr. K. Lee Scott (b. 1950)

*Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
and with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;
and, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.*

*Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
and with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions brotherly, speak Christ's sincerity.*

*Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee;
separate from sin I would, and cherish all things good,
and whatever I can be give him who gave me thee.*

*Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
help me now thy pow'r to see, I would be like thee;
'gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, thine the victory.*

Gracious Spirit, swell with me, I would be like thee!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer A – BCP 361

While the Celebrant is saying the Eucharistic prayers, the elements to be consumed by the people will remain covered.

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.

Here a Proper Preface is said.

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:

Celebrant and People

Hymnal S 125
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 Lord's Prayer

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

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation:
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

Christians of all ages (regardless of where you were baptized) are welcome to receive Holy Communion. • During this time, communion is available in one form, knowing that Christ is fully present and all benefits of the Eucharist are fully received. • Please come forward to the standing station when it is time, being mindful of maintaining physical distancing. • If you need a gluten-free wafer, please cross one arm across your chest. • If for whatever reason you choose not to receive the sacrament, please cross both arms across your chest and the priest will offer a blessing. • Please return to your pew after coming forward for communion.

At the presentation of the monetary gifts,
Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People *And of thine own have we given thee.*

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

Prayer for Mission

BCP 101

Celebrant and People

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you: for the honor of your name. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn in Procession

Hymn 347 — *Go forth for God; go to the world in peace*

The Dismissal *People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Closing Voluntary

Toccata in D minor ("Dorian"), BWV 538

— J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

The service has ended. You may remain for a time of quiet prayer. When you feel comfortable, exit the church through the side door into the courtyard, following the crucifer, worship participants, and clergy. Please take this bulletin home with you.

*The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of
Marcia & Sam Boney.*

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