

ST. DAVID'S ON-THE-HILL EPISCOPAL CHURCH ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Morning Prayer: Rite Two August 16, 2020 10:00 a.m.

Musical Prelude

Welcoming by Linda Guest, Senior Warden

Morning Prayer: Rite Two (BCP 75)

Opening Sentences (BCP 78)

Officiant

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. *Psalm 19:14*

Confession of Sin (BCP 79) and Absolution (BCP 80)

Officiant Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth God's praise, to hear God's holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship God, let us be together in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by God's infinite goodness and mercy.

(moment of silence)

All 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.

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

Invitatory and Psalter -- Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost (BCP 80-81)

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. **Amen.**

Officiant The mercy of the lord is everlasting:

People Come, let us adore him.

Words for Venite (Page 82) BCP

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving* and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God,*and a great King above all gods. I

n his hand are the caverns of the earth,* and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it,* and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,* and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

*Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Psalm 133

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, * when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head * that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron, * and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon * that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: * life for evermore.
 - All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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The Lessons

First Reading: Genesis 45: 1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here."

Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Lector The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Second Reading: Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Lector The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Hymn: From all that dwell below the skies — H-380

1. From all that dwell below the skies

let the Creator's praise arise!

Let the Redeemer's Name be sung

through every land, by every tongue!

2. Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;

and truth eternal is thy word:

thy praise shall sound from shore to shore

till suns rise and set no more.

3. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heavenly host:

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Hymn:

Gospel: Matthew 15: 10-20, 21-28

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

Reflection: Fred Malaby

The Apostles' Creed (BCP 96)

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth; 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. 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. Amen.

The Prayers: Our Father (BCP 97)

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

All 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, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Suffrage B (BCP 98)

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance; R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.
- V. Day by day we bless you; R. We praise your name for ever.
- V. Lord, keep us from all sin today; R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
- V. Lord, show us your love and mercy; R. For we put our trust in you.
- V. In you, Lord, is our hope; R. And we shall never hope in vain.

Collect of the Day, Proper 15 (BCP 231)

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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Prayers of Intercession

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's Holy Name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into Life.

Filled by the Spirit, let us join the whole people of God in Christ Jesus in praying for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

(silence)

Lord, your house is a house of prayers for all peoples, all outcasts and all who love your name. Reach into our hearts and focus our attention on this central mission of your gospel. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Embrace all of creation in your loving arms and show us a better way to care for your earth. Increase our understanding of the atmosphere and oceans,, and help us protect endangered species. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You ask us to maintain justice and do what is right, that all nations know peace. Uphold those international organizations striving to work together for the good of all. We especially pray for our service members: Jake Knight, Elizabeth Butler, Matthew Paiva and Bob Hammond. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Shine your face upon those in need of healing for bodies, minds, and spirits. Be especially with those we name now: Grace. Paula, Martha, Michael, Richard, Joe & Alberta, Sue, Tom, Lauren, David, Frank, Bob, Father Ed, MJ, Brad, Walter, Paul, Ron, Donald, Eleanor and any you wish to name silently or aloud....(pause)...Strengthen our faith and fill us with hope as we humbly kneel before you. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Open our hearts to the visitors among us, and to their gifts and questions. Fill them with your welcoming presence. Watch over those who are absent and bring them safely home Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

As you gather the faithful who have died into your eternal home, remind us of everything they have taught us in your name. Thank you for their presence among us. We especially remember Walter Lada, who passed away last Sunday. Please keep Walter and his family in your prayers at this very difficult time. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's Holy Name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into Life.

The General Thanksgiving (BCP 101)

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, your unworthy servants, give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Concluding Prayer (BCP 102)

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in the world knowledge of your truth, and in the age of come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: Heal me, hands of Jesus — WLP-773

- 1. Heal me, hands of Jesus, and search out all my pain: restore my hope, remove my fear and bring me peace again.
- 2. Cleanse me, blood of Jesus, take bitterness away; let me forgive as one forgiven and bring me peace today.
- 3. Know me, mind of Jesus, and show me all my sin; dispel the memories of guilt, and bring me peace within.
- 4. Fill me, joy of Jesus: anxiety shall cease and heaven's serenity be mine, for Jesus brings me peace!

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