

ST. DAVID'S ON-THE-HILL EPISCOPAL CHURCH SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Morning Prayer: Rite Two Sept. 20, 2020 10 a.m. Officiant: Fred Malaby

Musical Prelude: Alan Cotnoir, Music Director

Welcoming by Fred Malaby

Morning Prayer: Rite Two (BCP 75)

Opening Sentences (BCP 78)

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

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. Habakkuk 2:20

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 -- Sunday After Pentecost (BCP 80-81)

OfficiantLord, open our lips.PeopleAnd our mouths shall proclaim your praise.AllGlory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, isnow, and will be forever. Amen.

OfficiantWorship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:PeopleCome, let us adore him.

Words to the Jubilate

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;

*serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God;

*he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise;

*give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;

*and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 Confitemini Domino

1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *make known his deeds among the peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *and speak of all his marvelous works.

3 Glory in his holy Name; *Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

4 Search for the Lord and his strength; *continually seek his face.

5 Remember the marvels he has done, *his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *O children of Jacob his chosen.

37 He led out his people with silver and gold; *in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.

38 Egypt was glad of their going, *because they were afraid of them.

39 He spread out a cloud for a covering *and a fire to give light in the night season.

40 They asked, and quails appeared, *and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.

41 He opened the rock, and water flowed, *so the river ran in the dry places.

42 For God remembered his holy word *and Abraham his servant.

43 So he led forth his people with gladness, *his chosen with shouts of joy.

44 He gave his people the lands of the nations, *and they took the fruit of others' toil,

45 That they might keep his statutes *and observe his laws. Hallelujah!

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: Exodus 16:2-15

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining." And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God." In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

Lector	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

The First Song of Isaiah Ecce, Deus Isaiah 12:2-6

All Surely, it is God who saves me; *I will trust in him and not be afraid.
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *and he will be my Savior.
Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *from the springs of salvation.
And on that day you shall say, *Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
Make his deeds known among the peoples; *see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *and this is known in all the world.
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,
*for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
*as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:21-30

A Reading from Philippians.

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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Hymn: Come, Labor On — H-541

1. Come, labor on. Who dares stand idle on the harvest plain, while all around us waves the golden grain? And to each servant does the Master say, "Go work today."

2. Come, labor on. The enemy is watching night and day, to sow the tares, to snatch the seed away; while we in sleep our duty have forgot, he slumbered not.

3. Come, labor on. Away with gloomy doubts and faithless fear! No arm so weak but may do service here: by feeblest agents may our God fulfill his righteous will.

4. Come, labor on. Claim the high calling angels cannot share-to young and old the Gospel gladness bear; redeem the time; its hours too swiftly fly. The night draws nigh.

5. Come, labor on. No time for rest, till glows the western sky, till the long shadows o'er our pathway lie, and a glad sound comes with the setting sun. "Servants, well done."

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The Gospel: Matthew 20: 1-16

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went.

When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.'

When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.'

But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

OfficiantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Voices of St. David's: Joe Hutnak

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 A (BCP 97)

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

- R. And grant us your salvation.
- R. Let your people sing with joy.
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- R. Your saving health among all nations.
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

Collect of the Day, Proper 20 (BCP 233)

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For Schools and Colleges

O Eternal God, bless all schools, colleges, and universities especially as the students and staff struggle with the changes to learning brought by the COVID-19 pandemic, that they may be lively centers for sound learning, new discovery, and the pursuit of wisdom; and grant that those who teach and those who learn may find you to be the source of all truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

(A brief silence)

Generous God, you claim us as your own and your church declares your greatness. Make all who serve you, especially our bishops, pastors, missionaries, diaconal ministers, and chaplains serving institutions and the military, firm in one spirit. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great**.

The goodness of your creation is a celebration of your mighty acts. Enable us to appreciate the smallest to the largest of wonders and to be worthy stewards of all your gifts. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

People of all nations sing aloud of your righteousness. Incite us to commit acts of peace, break down barriers, crush complacency, and stand up to intolerance. We especially pray for our service members: Jake Knight, Elizabeth Butler and Matthew Paiva. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Strengthen those who suffer, especially: Paula, Martha, Michael, Richard, Alberta, Sue, Tom, Lauren, David, Frank, Bob, Father Ed. MJ, Brad, Paul, Ron, Donald, Eleanor and any you wish to name silently or aloud (pause) Transform pain into purpose, sorrow into courage, fear into generosity, and loneliness into compassion. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Form the desire of our congregation to live as the body of Christ in the world. Place among us overflowing fonts and tables, set as a feast for all people. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

The lives of your saints are evidence of your salvation. Give meaning to all our days, then grant us peaceful deaths and unite us with those we love in praising your name. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Trusting in your mercy and goodness, we bring before you these prayers and whatever else you see that we need, in the name of the one who sets us free: 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.

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 this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

OfficiantLet us bless the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. *Romans* 15:13

Closing Hymn: We All Are One in Mission — WLP-778

1. We all are one in mission, we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all. A single, great commission compels us from above to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.

2. We all are called for service to witness in God's name. Our ministries are diff'rent, our purpose is the same: to touch the lives of others by God's surprising grace, so people of all nations may feel God's warm embrace.

3. We all behold one vision, a stark reality; the steward of salvation was nailed upon a tree. Yet resurrected Justice gives rise that we may share free reconciliation and hope amid despair.

4. Now let us be united and let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word. We all are one in mission, we all are one in call, Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

