



## **ST. DAVID'S ON-THE-HILL**

### **EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Sunday, September 26th, 2021**

**The Reverend James Jacob, Priest**

**Entrance Hymn: "Where cross the crowded ways of life"**

**The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two**

**BCP 355**

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

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant may say*

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.*

*When appointed, the following hymn or some other song of praise is sung or said, all standing*

**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 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.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

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**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**Collect for the Day:** 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 First Lesson**

**First Reading: A Reading from the Book of Numbers**

**Chapter 11:4-6,10-16,24-29**

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,’ to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.”

So the Lord said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.”

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!"

The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 19:7-14(spoken responsively by half verse)**

7 The law of the Lord is perfect  
and revives the soul; \*  
**the testimony of the Lord is sure  
and gives wisdom to the innocent.**

8 The statutes of the Lord are just  
and rejoice the heart; \*  
**the commandment of the Lord is clear  
and gives light to the eyes.**

9 The fear of the Lord is clean  
and endures for ever; \*  
**the judgments of the Lord are true  
and righteous altogether.**

10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold, \*  
**sweeter far than honey,  
than honey in the comb.**

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
**and in keeping them there is great reward.**

12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
**cleanse me from my secret faults.**

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
**then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent of a great offense.**

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

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.  
**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

## **Second Lesson**

### **A Reading from Book of the letter of James Chapter 5:13-20**

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

**People: Thanks be to God**

### **Gospel Hymn: “Guide my feet Lord”**

## **The Gospel**

### **The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark 9:38-50 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.”

The Gospel of the Lord

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Hymn: “Guide my feet Lord”**

**The Sermon**

**The Reverend James Jacob**

**The Nicene Creed**

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.**

**The Prayers of the People**

Made alive with God in Christ, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation.

(brief silence)

God of all wisdom and truth, send your Spirit on all your people, opening our mouths to prophesy and speak truth to one another. Give us words that make your will known. We pray for St. Michael’s, Bristol. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Uphold farmers and field workers who harvest as nights grow longer and days get colder. Use their labor to deliver sustenance to humans and animals. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lead public servants and government officials to work on behalf of all people. Send advocates to halls of justice and guide legislation that breaks the bonds of injustice. We especially pray for our service members: Jake Knight, Elizabeth Butler and Matthew Paiva and Debbie Cox. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Redeem all who are in trouble or danger especially David, Betsy, Carol, Tom, James, Beth, Michelle, Marsha, Max, the Skuce Family, Alexandra, Anne, Jack, Fred, Steven, Diane, Rebecca, Don, Sue, Vinny, Ronnie, Paul, Brad, Elaine, and Michael. Speak healing words to them, and restore them to wholeness, that praise my flow from their lips. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Fill those who are hungry with good things. Enfold those who are weary in communities where their bodies and souls may be fed. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You have drawn your people into one great community. Show to us the same faithfulness you have shown your saints throughout the ages and lead us to live faithfully. We especially pray for Peter Verity in whose memory the flowers have been placed on the altar today. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We especially pray for all those who are celebrating birthdays: Carol Blackinton, James Ladouceur and Harrison Detomasis. We also pray for those who are celebrating wedding anniversaries this week.

Gather these concerns and all who are in need into your abundant care, O God, remembering your promise of mercy, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Concluding prayers by the Celebrant

**The Confession of Sin:**

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*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister 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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, 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. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

### **Offertory**

*Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, confessed our sins, received forgiveness and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the mystery of Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.*

### **Offertory Hymn: “Instrumental”**

*Celebrant* I appeal to you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

### **The Holy Communion**

*Eucharistic Prayer B*

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says:*

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.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, 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 sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

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

**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. Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days, you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*



And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in

subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

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, forever and ever.  
Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.  
A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

"O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace

*In place of, or in addition to, the preceding, some other suitable anthem may be used.  
Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.  
*and may add*

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

A spiritual communion is personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

The presider invites the following prayer to be said by all.

**Beloved Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.**

**I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you in this life or in the life to come. Amen.**

### **Communion Hymn: Special Music**

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **Amen.**

*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**

**Closing Hymn: “Go forth for God”**

### **Dismissal**

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**People Thanks be to God.**