

THE NEVIL MEMORIAL CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE

-EPISCOPAL-
ARDMORE, PA

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 10

Sunday, July 16, 2017

10:00 am, Rite II

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Coming together from our week in the world, we ready ourselves to worship God.

Organ Prelude

"Air with Variations"

G.B. Martini

The Processional Hymn 392

"Come, we that love the Lord"
vs. 1,2

Vineyard Haven

All standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

The Celebrant and People together say

The Collect for Purity

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 Gloria

Hymnal S-280

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lord speaks to us in scripture and preaching. We respond proclaiming our belief, praying for the world and ourselves, and greeting one another in his Name.

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Isaiah 55: 10-13

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 65: 9-14

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous;
the river of God is full of water.

You prepare the grain,
for so you provide for the earth.

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.

May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,
and the hills be clothed with joy.

May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;
let them shout for joy and sing.

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn 632

"O Christ, the Word Incarnate"
vs. 1,2

Munich

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew

Matthew 13:19, 18-23

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

All stand and together say,

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

Please kneel.

Lest the Word of God return empty to the heavens, let us turn our hearts to the needs of others and plant the seeds of justice, saying: **In mercy, hear us.**

For the Christian churches throughout the world, and for those in our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, Central America, for those in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, La Iglesia de Cristo y San Ambrosio, Memorial Church of St. Luke, Bustleton, St. Andrew's-in-the-Field, Somerton, St. Gabriel's Church, St. Mark's Church, Frankford, and for our Companion Diocese of Guatemala, Church of the Holy Cross of Mount Calvary, that together we may harvest compassion in abundance of mercy, we pray: **In mercy, hear us.**

For our Christian leaders, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Daniel, our Bishop, Ryan our priest, and Toneh our deacon, that they may be strengthened to lead your people with faith, in hope, through love, we pray: **In mercy, hear us.**

That leaders of government refuse to worship the gods of war, but rather attend to Christ's call of peace, we pray: **In mercy, hear us.**

For farmers, harvesters, and migrant workers, and for an end of injustice toward those who work the land, we pray: **In mercy, hear us.**

That people of the earth may honor and respect the natural resources of the planet, and for an end to the consumerism that encourages ravage, we pray: **In mercy, hear us.**

We pray for those celebrating their birthdays this week, especially Kate LaBrake, Gretchen Magnani, James Fingerut and Ben Brocklesby; that they may grow in grace as they grow in years, we pray: **In mercy, hear us.**

For all the sick especially for Clark, James and Dominic; Kevin and Sherry; Ruth and Harry Cottman; Lewis Sessa, Louise Vitulli, Tillie and Larry Barry; Charlotte, The Brogan Family, Gina Bullock, R.J. Thomas and Family; Simone and for all the oppressed, that the reign of God will hold sway in all human life, we pray: **In mercy, hear us.**

(Please pray privately for David Pokorny, Joy Polito and Harry Urian)

For all who have died, that they may see you face to face, especially ____, we pray: **In mercy, hear us.**

Celebrant

Blessed and praised are you, O God, for the word of your mouth. In your mercy, listen to all who call to you in faith. Let your word find root in our lives. We pray in the name of your child Jesus, who lives with you in the power of the Spirit, forever. **Amen.**

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Celebrant

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.**

Community Announcements and Welcome of Visitors

Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

Our risen Lord comes to us in His sacrifice banquet and we receive Him with grateful hearts.

Offertory Anthem

"Andante"
Elizabeth Joslin, flute

Larry Clark

Please stand as our monetary gifts and offering of bread and wine are brought forward and all sing,

The Doxology

Old 100th

† The 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.**

Celebrant

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 and Benedictus

Hymnal S-125

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.

Celebrant

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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 you Holy Spirit to be your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the hold food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this hold Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, 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**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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

A period of silence is kept. Then all join in and sing,

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Fraction Anthems

"Christ Our Passover"

Hymnal S-154

"Agnus Dei"

Hymnal S-161

All baptized persons regardless of denomination are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you desire a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Anthem

"Ave Maria"

Cesar Franck

Gordon Rose, bass

Ave Maria, gratia plena; Dominus tecum: benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui Jesus. Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, Ora pronobis peccatoribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

The Communion Hymn 440

"Blessed Jesus, at thy word"

Liebster Jesu

The Postcommunion Prayer

Please kneel. Celebrant and People together say,

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.

THE SENDING OUT OF THE LORD'S PEOPLE

We go out into the world having received the Body and Blood of Christ. As our time of worship has ended, our time of service begins.

The Blessing

Please stand. The priest blesses the people, saying

Celebrant: May the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

People: **Amen.**

The Closing Hymn 530

"Spread, O spread, thou mighty word"

Gott sei Dank

The Dismissal

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Organ Postlude

"Fugue"

J.L. Krebs

Community Announcements

The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week to the greater glory of God.

Flowers on the Main Altar today are given to the glory of God.

Flowers on St. George's Altar today are given in the glory of God and in honor of the birthdays of Mary Hobart's sons, Robert Markey and the late Michael Markey.

Adore Before the Shore: Continues this Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. It is a wonderful, simple, reflective way to take a spiritual break in the middle of your week. Join us on the following dates July 19, July 26 and August 9.

American Red Cross Blood Drive is Tuesday, August 8 from 2:00 PM – 7:00PM at St. George's. To make an appointment call the Parish Office at 610-642-3500. Or make an appointment online at www.redcrossblood.org, sponsor key word StGeorge.

A Saturday Matinee at St. George's on Saturday, July 29 at 3:00 PM. We will have a screening of the movie "The Zookeeper's Wife". Questions email Roland Noreika at rolandnoreika@gmail.com.



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Thanks to those helping today ...

The Rev. Deacon: Toneha Williams

Altar Guild: Gigi Walsh

Acolytes: Steve Drabkowski, Robbie Farnsworth, Ray Beckey and Roland Noreika

Ambassadors: Susan LaBrake, Steve Lightcap and David Farnsworth

Chalice Bearer: Toneh Williams and Janet Reddin

Coffee Hour: Deb and George Newnham

Intercessor: David Farnsworth

Lectors: Steve Krouse and Doug Stuart

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SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

Holy Eucharist, Rite I - 8:00 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite II - 10:00 AM

MORNING PRAYER

Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM

OUR MISSION

St. George's mission is to share together God's work in our lives through liturgy and sacrament, through joyous and caring fellowship, and through courageous and compassionate engagement with the world.