

THE NEVIL MEMORIAL CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE

-EPISCOPAL-

ARDMORE, PA

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 14

Sunday, August 13, 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

"When I Laid My Burdens Down"

Black Spiritual

Bluegrass Gospel Revival

"Rise up mourner, rise and tell, when I laid this burden down. Jesus done made all things well, when I laid my burden down. Glory Hallelujah! Mind, my sister, how you walk on the cross, Your foot might slip and soul be lost. My Lord done just what he said, He healed the sick and raised the dead."

The Processional Hymn 618

"Ye watchers and ye holy ones"

Lasst uns erfreuen

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.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **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 First Book of Kings

1Kings 19: 9-18

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 85: 8-13

Congregation sings,

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.

Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go before him,
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Romans 10: 5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart", (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

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

Matthew 14:22-33

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.****The Sermon**

Fr. Ryan R. Whitley

The Nicene Creed

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.

We are the ark of the church, at times storm-tossed and frightened. Let us cry out in faith for our own needs and the needs of the world, saying: **Lord, save us.**

For those churches who are resisting oppression and enduring persecution in the name of the gospel, let us cry out to the Lord. **Lord, save us.**

For those who have been called to lead us in our faith communities, especially, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Daniel, our Bishop, Ryan our priest, and Toneh our deacon, let us cry out to the Lord. **Lord, save us.**

For the leaders of nations, especially Donald, our President, communities, and households, who are faced with terrible choices and whose decisions affect the lives of many, let us cry out to the Lord. **Lord, save us.**

For those caught in addictions of mind or body, for those who feel powerless and sink ever deeper into despair, let us cry out to the Lord. **Lord, save us.**

For those who rely on themselves, for those who struggle to trust in God's beckoning word, for those who know fear before the actions of grace, let us cry out to the Lord. **Lord, save us.**

For those who are ill, especially Lawrence Wrabetz, Annmarie, Jo-Zetta, Joseph Calhoun, Susan, Donald, Bill, Marie Schall, Joe Hughes, Patsy Stevenson, Clark and Gina Bullock, that they may know God's healing, let us cry out to the Lord. **Lord, save us.**

Please pray privately for James and Dominic; Kevin and Sherry; Ruth and Harry Cottman; Lewis Sessa, Louise Vitulli, Julie and Larry; Charlotte, The Brogan Family, The Alan Williams Family, R.J. Thomas and Family; Simone. David Pokorny, Joy Polito and Harry Urian)

For those who have died, especially__, that they may be received into God's never-failing care, let us cry out to the Lord. **Lord, save us.**

For those in our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, Lagos, Nigeria; for those in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, St. Paul's Church, Levittown; St. Mary the Virgin St. Philip's Church, New Hope; Trinity Church, Buckingham; Trinity Church, Solebury and Christ Church, Media; and for our Companion Diocese of Guatemala, Church of the Holy Trinity, we pray for God's wisdom. **Lord, save us.**

For all of us who gather at this Eucharistic table, weak in faith, faltering in our response to God, let us cry out to the Lord. **Lord, save us.**

For those celebrating their birthdays this week Jason Bullock and Janet Reddin, that they may grow in grace as they grow in years, we pray. **Lord, save us.**

For those celebrating their anniversaries this week, especially George and Deb Newnham, that God may reveal himself to them more and more through each other in the sacrament of holy matrimony. Lord, in your mercy. **Lord, save us.**

Celebrant

O true and faithful God, you are the hope of those who cry out to you. Hear our petitions. Where there is no faith, awaken it; where there is little faith, enlarge it, that one day we may all come to acknowledge Jesus as your Son and the savior of the world. We ask this in his name, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin and the Absolution

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Deacon

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

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

"Rejoice in the Lord alway"

Anonymous 16th century

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, rejoice. Let your softness be known unto all men: the Lord is e'en at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in all prayer and supplication, let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesu. Amen.

Please stand as our monetary gifts are brought forward and all sing,

The Doxology

Old 100th

† The Great Thanksgiving †

Eucharistic Prayer A

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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:

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:

Celebrant and People

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 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

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"
"Agnus Dei"

Hymnal S-154
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

"In the Sweet By and By"

Joseph P. Webster

Bluegrass Gospel Revival

"There's a land that is fairer than day, and by faith we can see it afar; For the Father waits over the way, to prepare us a dwelling place there. In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore. We shall sing on that beautiful shore, the melodious songs of the blest, and our spirits shall sorrow no more, not a sigh for the blessing of rest. To our bountiful Father above, we will offer our tribute of praise, for the glorious gift of His love, and the blessings that hallow our days."

The Communion Hymn 382

"King of glory, King of peace"

General Seminary

Postcommunion Prayer

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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 536

"Open your ears, O faithful people"

Torah Song

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction Anthem

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

Peter Lutkin

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord lift his countenance upon you; and give you peace, the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. Amen.

Organ Postlude

"Prelude in G Major"

J.S. Bach

Community Announcements

The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week to the glory of God and for the Whitley Family, may God be kind, generous and rewarding. Good Luck! From the St. George's Parishioners.

Flowers on the Altars today are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Fr. Ryan Whitley from the St. George's Parishioners.

Today at 2pm – 9pm "Farewell Party for The Whitley's at St. George's".

A Word from the Warden: I am very happy to tell you that this week the Vestry hired The Reverend Barbara Abbott as our interim priest as we search for our new rector. Barbara lives in Ardmore and comes to us from Holy Apostles in Penn Wynne where she was interim until just last week. Barbara comes with several years' experience as an interim priest and is excited to work with us, care for us and lead us through our transition. Her first day will be Monday, August 28. Please extend a warm St. George's welcome to her when you meet her.



THE NEVIL MEMORIAL CHURCH OF SAINT GEORGE

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The Very Rev. Ryan R. Whitley, *Rector*

**Thanks to those who are
helping today ...**

The Rev. Deacon: Toneh Williams

Altar Guild: Steve Drabkowski

Acolytes: Robbie Farnsworth, Ray Beckey,
Roland Noreika, Colette White, Jack
Bullock, Margot White, Sam Bullock and
Steve Drabkowski

Ambassadors: Steve Krouse, Susan LaBrake
and Paul Joslin

Chalice Bearers: Elise Whitley, Cynthia
Pound, Steve Krouse and Toneh Williams

Coffee Hour: Christine Webster and
Paul Joslin

Intercessor: Eileen Kammerer

Lectors: David and Sarah Farnsworth

Tellers: Chris Magnani and Stephen
Lightcap

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SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

Holy Eucharist, Rite I - 8:00 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite II - 10:00 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.