

# THE NEVIL MEMORIAL CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE

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ARDMORE, PA

*The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

*Proper 10*

Sunday, July 16, 2017

8:00 am, Rite I

## THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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

*All standing, the Celebrant says*

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

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

### The Collect for Purity

**Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Summary of the Law**

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**The Kyrie**

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**The Gloria**

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### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant*            The Lord be with you.

*People*                **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant*            Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people who call upon thee, and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee 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

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.**

*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 Sermon**

Fr. Ryan R. Whitley

**The Nicene Creed**

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*All stand and together say*

## 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, Bob Dalstrom and Family; Judy and Richard Greeby Family; 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.**

**The Peace**

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*          **And with thy spirit.**

**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.*

**The Offertory**

*Please stand as the gifts are brought forward.*

**† The Great Thanksgiving †**

**Eucharistic Prayer I**

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*The people remain standing.*

**Sanctus**

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*Please kneel as you are able.*

**The Lord's Prayer**

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**The Breaking of the Bread**

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*A period of silence is kept.*

**The Prayer of Humble Access**

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

*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.*

## The Postcommunion Prayer

*Please kneel as you are able.*

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## The Blessing

*Please stand*

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

## Dismissal

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

*People:* Thanks be to God

## 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](http://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](mailto:rolandnoreika@gmail.com).



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The Rev. Ryan R. Whitley, *Rector*

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

**The Rev. Deacon:** Toneh Williams  
**Altar Guild:** Janice Capoferri  
and Joan Cesare  
**Ambassador:** Joan Cesare  
**Chalice Bearer:** Donna DiPaulo  
**Coffee Hour:** Mary Hobart  
**Intercessor:** Mary Hobart  
**Lector:** Chris Butto  
**Servers:** Ray Beckey and James Burns III  
**Tellers:** Susan LaBrake and Gigi Walsh

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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.**