

THE NEVIL MEMORIAL CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE

-EPISCOPAL-

ARDMORE, PA

All Saints Day

Sunday, November 5, 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.

Almighty and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may run without stumbling to obtain thy heavenly promises; 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 Ecclesiasticus

Ecclesiasticus 44: 1-10, 13-14

Let us now sing the praises of famous men, our ancestors in their generations. The Lord apportioned to them great glory, his majesty from the beginning. There were those who ruled in their kingdoms, and made a name for themselves by their valour; those who gave counsel because they were intelligent; those who spoke in prophetic oracles; those who led the people by their counsels and by their knowledge of the people's lore; they were wise in their words of instruction; those who composed musical tunes, or put verses in writing; rich men endowed with resources, living peacefully in their homes, all these were honoured in their generations, and were the pride of their times. Some of them have left behind a name, so that others declare their praise. But of others there is no memory; they have perished as though they had never existed; they have become as though they had never been born, they and their children after them. But these also were godly men, whose righteous deeds have not been forgotten; Their offspring will continue for ever, and their glory will never be blotted out. Their bodies are buried in peace, but their name lives on generation after generation

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 43

Give judgment for me, O God,
and defend my cause against an ungodly people;
deliver me from the deceitful and the wicked.

For you are the God of my strength;
why have you put me from you?

and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me,
and bring me to your holy hill
and to your dwelling;

That I may go to the altar of God,
to the God of my joy and gladness;
and on the harp, I will give thanks to you, O God my God.

Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul?
and why are you so disquieted within me?

Put your trust in God;
for I will yet give thanks to him,
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, having the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to damage earth and sea, saying, 'Do not damage the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have marked the servants of our God with a seal on their foreheads. And I heard the number of those who were sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed out of every tribe of the people of Israel. After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb! And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen. Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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

Matthew 5: 1-12

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Sermon

Rev. Barbara Abbott

The Nicene Creed

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All stand and together say

The Prayers of the People

Please kneel.

In confidence that our prayers will be heard and answered, let us address God with boldness and in trust, praying that God's will may be done here and throughout the world, saying: In your mercy, **O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the baptized everywhere and for those preparing for holy baptism, that they may be strong, resolute and faithful as they await the coming of the resurrected Christ. In your mercy, **O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the church throughout the world, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop; Barbara our priest; and Toneh our deacon, that it may fulfill its holy task, drawing all people into the family of the redeemed and showing the world the way to peace and justice. In your mercy, **O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the leaders of all the nations of the world, especially Donald our president, that they may renounce war and all that makes for war, giving priority to peace and to that which makes for peace. In your mercy, **O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, Ontario, Canada, and for those in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, Calvary St. Augustine, Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator, Philadelphia Episcopal Cathedral, St. Andrew and St. Monica; St. Barnabas Church and for those in our Companion Diocese of Guatemala, The Church of the Holy Spirit. In your mercy, **O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those celebrating their birthdays this week, especially Paul Joslin, Sarah Farnsworth, Ellie Chester, Diane Butto, Dayton Fasbinder and Ellen Woodward, that they may grow in grace as they grow in years. In your mercy, **O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those celebrating their anniversaries this week, especially John and Donna Pili, that God may reveal himself to them more and more through each other in the sacrament of holy matrimony. In your mercy, **O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the hungry, the homeless, those who are denied dignity, and those who have no hope, that human compassion will improve their condition and that national compassion will remove the causes of their suffering. In your mercy, **O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the sick, especially Artie Amicci, Carol, Louise, Bruce, Sharon, Cecilia, Ellen, Michael Mack, Randy, Ross Trotter, Peter Weihmann and Laura; for the hospitalized; for those in childbirth; and for all who suffer in mind or body, that may be granted wholeness and health. In your mercy, **O God, hear our prayer.**

(Please pray privately for Brian Joyce, Rosemary Shirley, Luke Willette, Alexis and John Bullock; The Haley Family, Elizabeth Sim, Mary Hobart, James and Jilly; Ruth Sheppard, Jane Lovell, Rick Poole, Phoebe Weintraub, Anita Bowersock, Santino and Tristan Harvey, Lawrence Wrabetz, Annmarie, Jo-Zetta, Joseph Calhoun, Susan, Donald, Bill, Marie Schall, Joe Hughes, Patsy Stevenson, Clark, Larry and Dana, James and Dominic; Kevin and Sherry; Ruth and Harry Cottman; Lewis Sessa, Louise Vitulli, Julie and Larry; Charlotte, The Brogan Family, R.J. Thomas and Family; Simone. David Pokorny, Joy Polito and Harry Urian)

Celebrant

We pray for those who have died, cherishing their memory. *(read names of those who have died in the past year)*. In your mercy, **O God, hear our prayer.**

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

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 and Benedictus

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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 peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Community Announcements

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

*Flowers on the Main Altar today are given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Michael Urian by Lynne and Harry Urian*

Lou Carol's Notes: Today's offertory anthem includes the text of Simeon's song when he declared himself ready to die after seeing the Christ child, Savior of the world. Most of the musical texture is homophonic, where all voices sing the same words at the same time, which makes the text easy to understand. **The Bluegrass Gospel Revival** will rehearse on Sunday right after coffee hour. They will sing three gospel songs during worship on Nov. 12.

Save the Date! St George's Under the Sea on Friday, Dec. 2nd. contact gala@stgeorgeschurch.org
Laurie Ney

Bible Study this Wednesdays at 7:00 PM with Pastor Barbara, then a break of two weeks. Group will reconvene on Wednesday, Nov. 29th to begin discussing *Richard Rohr's book Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the two halves of life.*

Our next Parish Fall Clean Up Day is coming up. Saturday November 18th, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Look for signup sheet and more information in the parish hall. Contact is Sarah Farnsworth at sfarnsworth@dca.net or call her at 610-446-6226 if you have any questions. ! **Come on out and enjoy spending some time with your fellow parishioners while helping to beautify our church.**

Movie Matinee "Moonrise Kingdom", Saturday, November 11th at 2:30PM. Contact is Roland Noreika at 610-909-6920 or email rolandnoreika@gmail.com.



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The Rev. Barbara Abbott, *Interim Rector*

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

The Rev. Deacon: Toneh Williams
Altar Guild: Janice Capoferri
Altar Guild Set-up: Joan Cesare
and Mary Hobart
Ambassador: James Burns III
Chalice Bearer: Donna DiPaulo
Coffee Hour: Diane and Chris Butto
Floral Guild: Cathy Lee
Intercessor: Joan Cesare
Lector: Mary Hobart
Server: Al Revell
Tellers: David Farnsworth and Paul Joslin

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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.