

St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church

October 15, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

called to be... a safe place for all people!

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Pastorale in F Major PRELUDE J. S. Bach (1685 - 1750)Please stand as you are able until the Lessons. **OPENING HYMN** #7 in *The Hymnal* (blue book) Christ, whose glory fills the skies Ratisbon The Holy Eucharist: Rite II begins on page 355 in The Book of Common Prayer (red book). The Word of God Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen. People **GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST** Gloria in excelsis Deo Robert Powell The music is found in *The Hymnal*, in the front section with "S" numbers, S 280. 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. THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

Old Testament: Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron and said to him, 'Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.' Aaron said to them, 'Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.' So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, 'Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord.' They rose early the next day, and offered burnt-offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" 'The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.'

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever." ' And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

1 Hallelujah!

Confitemini Domino

- Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, * for his mercy endures for ever.
 Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord * or show forth all his praise?
 Happy are those who act with justice * and always do what is right!
- 4 Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people, * and visit me with your saving help;
- 5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect and be glad with the gladness of your people, * that I may glory with your inheritance.
- 6 We have sinned as our forebears did; *
- we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.
- 19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb * and worshiped a molten image;
- 20 And so they exchanged their Glory *
- for the image of an ox that feeds on grass. 21 They forgot God their Savior, *
- who had done great things in Egypt,
- 22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, * and fearful things at the Red Sea.
- 23 So he would have destroyed them,
- had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, * to turn away his wrath from consuming them.

Epistle: Philippians 4:1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able for the hymn and the Gospel.

GRADUAL HYMN #460 in *The Hymnal* (blue book) Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Hyfrydol

Matthew 22:1-14

THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew. People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed, page 358 in The Book of Common Prayer

The Prayers of the People, the page number in The Book of Common Prayer will be announced

Confession of Sin, page 360 in The Book of Common Prayer

The Peace, the people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are then seated

Announcements, Birthday, and Anniversary Blessings

OFFERTORY HYMN #316 in *The Hymnal* (blue book) This is the hour of banquet and of song

Canticum refectionis

Pledgers, please place your offering in an envelope and write your name on it so the treasurer can easily identify your giving. Thank you.

Doxology (sung)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, page 361 in The Book of Common Prayer

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD

Sanctus The music is found in *The Hymnal*, in the front section with "S" numbers, S 129. Robert Powell

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 service then continues on page 362 in The Book of Common Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

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Post Communion Prayer, page 365 in The Book of Common Prayer

CLOSING HYMN	#556 in <i>The Hymnal</i> (blue book) Rejoice, ye pure in heart!	Marion
The Dismissal Deacon People	Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.	
POSTLUDE	Trumpet Tune in A Major	Br. Michael Anacetus McCabe, Obl/OSB (1941-)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join in the coffee hour after the service in the Parish Hall. Exit the door on the front left of the church, the Parish Hall is the next building over.

HUB (Helping Urban Bicyclists)

The HUB could use your financial support. Checks marked "HUB" may be mailed to the church office, 316 N El Dorado St., Stockton, CA 95202.

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Coming Events

The 58th Annual Diocesan Convention October 27-28, 2017 Episcopal Conference Center Oakhurst (ECCO)

Revival, Diocese of San Joaquin, with Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry

Friday, November 17, 4:00 PM University of the Pacific Revival Registration - https://diosanjoaquin.org/2017-revival-registration/

Installation of The Rt. Rev David Rice as Bishop of San Joaquin, by Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry

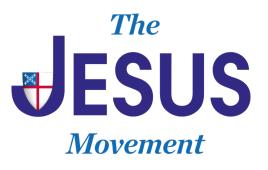
Saturday, November 18, 1:00 PM St James Cathedral, Fresno

Episcopal Evangelism

We seek, name & celebrate Jesus' loving presence In the stories of all people - Then invite everyone to more.

".. We are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, to be reconciled to God." 2 Corinthians 5:20





LOVING LIBERATING LIFE-GIVING

Brother Dunstan's Question of the Day

During most of the Liturgical Year, the Second Reading is called the *Epistle*. Do you know why?