



St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church

June 25, 2017

Third Sunday after Pentecost

All who seek God and are drawn to Christ are welcome at God's Table. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of the Bread or Wine, you are welcome. Come forward and simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate your preference.

PRELUDE How Great Thou Art arr. Dave Coleman

Please stand as you are able until the Lessons.

OPENING HYMN #296 in *The Hymnal* (blue book) Engelberg
We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

Genesis 21:8-21

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, 'Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.' The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, 'Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named after you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, 'Do not let me look on the death of the child.' And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, 'What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.' Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17

Inclina, Domine

- 1 Bow down your ear, O Lord, and answer me, * for I am poor and in misery.
- 2 Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; * save your servant who puts his trust in you.
- 3 Be merciful to me, O Lord, for you are my God; * I call upon you all the day long.
- 4 Gladden the soul of your servant, * for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- 5 For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, * and great is your love toward all who call upon you.
- 6 Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer, * and attend to the voice of my supplications.
- 7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, * for you will answer me.
- 8 Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord, * nor anything like your works.
- 9 All nations you have made will come and worship you, O Lord, * and glorify your Name.
- 10 For you are great; you do wondrous things; * and you alone are God.
- 16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; * give your strength to your servant; and save the child of your handmaid.
- 17 Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; * because you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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

GRADUAL HYMN #537 in *The Hymnal* (blue book)
Christ for the world we sing!

Moscow

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 10:24-39

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,
and a daughter against her mother,
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise 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 #564 in *The Hymnal* (blue book)
He who would valiant be 'gainst all disaster

St. Dunstan's

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*)

Old 100th

*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

Robert Powell

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

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 #680 in *The Hymnal* (blue book)
O God, our help in ages past

St. Anne

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Healey Willan

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.

St. John's offers a service of Noonday Prayer on Wednesdays at 12:10.

HUB (*Helping Urban Bicyclists*)

The HUB needs your financial support. Donation of bicycles, or parts, are also welcome. See Deacon Steve for additional information. Donations to the HUB can be made online using GoFundMe. There is a link from the HUB's Facebook page, or you can go directly to <https://www.gofundme.com/the-hub-helping-urban-bicyclists> If you use Facebook, consider sharing the GoFundMe link on your page. The HUB on Facebook is www.facebook.com/STOCKTONHUB

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