

Saint George's Church

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July 2, 2017

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost, Proper 8

PRELUDE: "Land of Rest" Andrew Moore

HYMN 647: "I know not where the road will lead" **Tune: *Land of Rest*

INTROIT: *Consider, O Lord, and hear me when I cry unto thee; be thou my succor. O cast me not away. Neither forsake me utterly, O God of my salvation. The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom then shall I fear? Glory be..*

OPENING SENTENCE:

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant begins: Let us pray

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.

KYRIE ELEISON "Communion Service in Eb" by L.J. White

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *This music is found on the card in your pew*

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

FINAL HYMN 716: "God bless our native land"

America

POSTLUDE: America: A March with Echoing and Fanfares Carol Doran

Today's Celebrant & Servers:

Officiant-The Reverend Matthew R. Stromberg, Rector

Director of Music & Organist: Mr. Andrew R. Krystopolski

Crucifer-Steve Hartz, Alice Polumbo, or Colton Jaquith

Thurifer-Christopher Henry

MC 9 AM-David Kennison, MC & Lector 11:15 AM Kevin Grace

Lector 9 AM: Jim Wingate

Greeters:

Counters: Ralph Polumbo & Jane Moran

WELCOME GUESTS-We are glad that you are with us today! Please complete a visitor card and give it to Father Matt as you leave and please consider joining us for a coffee reception in the Great Hall after the service. Please note that Sunday School is available for children ages 3-8 during the 9:00am service upstairs in the Great Hall.

THEOLOGY ON TAP is an informal discussion of religion, ethics, and spirituality over drinks and food. We will meet on July 13 to discuss "God and Country." Can Christians be patriotic? What is the proper relationship between Church and State? Stay tuned for a location.

GERALD COOPER RETIREMENT Our sexton for over a decade, Gerald, is retiring this summer. He and his partner, Penny, will be moving to Louisiana to be closer to family and friends. Be sure to thank Gerald for his many years of Service. Join us to say goodbye to Gerald and Penny, Sunday, July 16th, 3PM for a cookout in the back yard of the rectory, 23 Front Street.

SPECIAL COFFEE HOUR- On July 16th, we are privileged to have the beautiful soprano voice of Miss Carolina Medina with us. Miss Medina has completed her freshman year at The Crane School of Music as a vocal performance major. In addition to performing a solo at the 9am Mass, Miss Medina will delight us with a short program of Arias and Art Songs from Spain, Italy, Germany, and England during Coffee Hour.

CAMP INVITATION—PICNIC AT PEARSON CAMP 2017—July 22

118 Fawn Lake Road, Lake Pleasant, NY 12108 near Speculator on Sacandaga Lake. You all are invited to a summer afternoon pick-me-up at the Pearson Camp! Bring your family and friends and let's enjoy ourselves. When you RSVP please tell us what you'll bring. Or just come and eat—there is always so much food! . **RSVP to Jon & Joan Pearson e-mail: jpearson@nvcap.rr.com (home)399-9002, (camp)548-3694, (Jon's cell)496-0155.**

BOOK STUDY: *What Is the Bible?: How an Ancient Library of Poems, Letters, and Stories Can Transform the Way You Think and Feel About Everything* is a new book by Rob Bell. It challenges readers to take a fresh look at the Bible and discover its continual relevance for modern life. Fr. Matt would like to host a "Theology on Tap" discussion of the book. It is available from most book sellers in hardback and audio formats. If you are interested in participating there is a sign up sheet in the back. Let us know if you need help getting a copy.

BOOK CLUB The club is reading the Colson Whitehead novel "The Underground Railroad." All are welcome to participate in the discussion September 17 in the library between Masses.

CITY MISSION FOOD PANTRY-St George's maintains ongoing support through donations to the City Mission Food Pantry. Please remember the food pantry when doing your grocery shopping as your contributions assist those who are not able to consistently realize proper nutrition for themselves or their families.

This Week at St. George's

Sunday, July 2 *Fourth Sunday After Pentecost*

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite I

11:15 AM Mass, Rite II

Monday, July 3 (Rectors day off) *Feria*

Tuesday, July 4

INDEPENDENCE DAY

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite I

Wednesday, July 5

Vladimir of Kiev

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite II

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Thursday, July 6

Sexburga, Abbess

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite I

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Friday, July 7

Pladius, Apostle of Ireland

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

12:15 PM Mass, Rite II

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Saturday, July 8

Aquila and Priscilla, Martyrs

Parish Intercessions-Dorothy, Larry, Bob H., Joan P., Jill,

Aileen, Craig, Shirley, Nicholas, Kate, Robert H., Martha,

Loren & family, Pat, Dagmar Mary, Pat R., Amelia, Andrea,

Carolyn, Douglas, Louisa, Patrick, Susanna Sherwood, Alice

King, Patricia, Christian, and Chuck.

the Flowers at the High Altar are given to the great honor and glory of Almighty God and in loving memory of

Lt. Col. James M. Sherwood

The flowers in chapel given in memory of Cornelia Thayer

Birthdays Jon Pearson 7/5, Michael Webber 7/6, Margaret Hughes

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THE FIRST READING: Genesis 22:1-14

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



PSALM 13 Usquequo, Domine?

1 How long, O Lord?

will you for / get me for / ever? *

how long will you / hide your / face from / me?

2 How long shall I have perplexity in my mind;

and grief in my heart, / day after / day? *

how long shall my / enemy / triumph / over me?

3 Look upon me and answer me, O / Lord my / God; *

give light to my eyes, / lest I / sleep in / death;

4 Lest my enemy say, "I have pre / vailed / over him," *

and my foes re / joice that / I have / fallen.

5 But I put my / trust in your / mercy; *

my heart is joyful be / cause of your / saving / help.

6 I will sing to the Lord, for he has / dealt with me / richly; *

I will praise the / Name of the / Lord Most / High.

THE EPISTLE: Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instru-

ments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 609: "Where cross the crowded ways of life" *Gardiner*

ALLELUIA: *Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Sing praises to our King, sing praises. Alleluia*

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 10:40-42

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Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to thee, O Christ

THE SERMON

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we earnestly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Officiant: May Almighty God in mercy receive our confession of sorrow and faith, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE: *When Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins; he sat down at the right hand of God.*

OFFERTORY HYMN 677: "God moves in a mysterious way" *London New*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

stand

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings:

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant: *It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God... Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying...*

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS: *This music is found on the card in your pew*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I: (BCP 333)

AGNUS DEI *This music is found on the card in your pew*

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.

Celebrant: Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world

People: Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof but speak the word only and I shall be healed.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION:

(All baptized Christians may receive, regardless of age or denomination.)

COMMUNION SENTENCE: *"He that findeth his life shall lose it; and he that loseth his life for my sake will find it," saith the Lord.*

COMMUNION HYMN 318: "Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face"

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

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