

The Season Following Pentecost 2020
The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 13th, 2020



St. Mary's, Hamilton Village

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH AT PENN

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Serving Today

Officiant..... The Rev. Maricclair Partee Carlsen

Deacon..... The Rev. Deacon Barbara Tobin

Organist and Choirmaster..... Michael Lawrence

Cantors..... Thomas Ward, Jerene Good, Tise Ogunmesa

Lectors.. Thomas Ward, Frank Innes, Martin Bodtmann

Morning Prayer

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*Our service begins at 10:50 AM with a ten-minute prelude,
followed by a welcome and congregational hymn at 11 AM.*

PRELUDES

Guilmant, *O Salutaris Hostia*

Guilmant, *Communion in E minor*

Marchand, *Grand Dialogue in C*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

Come Down, O Love Divine, 1982 Hymnal 516

OPENING SENTENCE

Officiant

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house
of the Lord." (Psalm 122:1)

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Officiant says to the People:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together:

Most merciful God,

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

The Priest says:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

INVITATION AND PSALTER

Officiant

Lord, open our lips.

People

And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

The Officiant and People say the antiphon:
**Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:
Come let us adore him.**

Venite *Psalm 95:1-7*

**Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our
salvation.
Let us come before his presence with
thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.**

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the
sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his
voice!**

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Psalm 103: 1- 13

Lector

Let us now read together Psalm One Hundred Three,
beginning with the First Verse.

**1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.**

**2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and forget not all his benefits.**

**3 He forgives all your sins *
and heals all your infirmities;**

**4 He redeems your life from the grave *
and crowns you with mercy and
loving-kindness;**

**5 He satisfies you with good things, *
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.**

**6 The Lord executes righteousness *
and judgment for all who are oppressed.**

**7 He made his ways known to Moses *
and his works to the children of Israel.**

**8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.**

**9 He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.**

**10 He has not dealt with us according to our
sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.**

**11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.**

**12 As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.**

**13 As a father cares for his children, *
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.**

Officiant and People

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the
Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.**

Readings

A period of silence will follow each reading.

First Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

Lector A Reading from the Book of Genesis, the
Fiftieth Chapter, beginning with the Fifteenth Verse.

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Reader Here ends the Lesson.

The Song of Mary

Magnificat

Luke 1:46-55

**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; *
for he has looked with favor on his lowly
servant.**

**From this day all generations will call me
blessed: ***

**the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.**

He has mercy on those who fear him *

**in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm, *
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
*
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel, *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
The promise he made to our fathers, *
to Abraham and his children for ever.**

Officiant and People

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the
Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.**

Second Reading

Romans 14:1-12

Lector A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans, the Fourteenth Chapter, beginning with the First Verse.

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own

lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader Here ends the Lesson.

Together, all say:

Glory to God

Gloria in excelsis

**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.**

Sequence Hymn

If I have wounded any soul today, LEVAS 176

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:21-35

Officiant

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew, the Eighteenth Chapter, beginning with the Twenty-First Verse.

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

Officiant Here ends the Lesson.

SERMON The Rev. Deacon Barbara Tobin

A musical reflection will follow.

OFFERTORY

At this time, all are welcome to make an offering in support of the mission and ministries of St. Mary's. Digital gifts can be submitted at stmarysatpenn.org/donate .

Together, all say the:
Apostles' Creed

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**I believe in God, the Father
almighty,**

creator of heaven and earth;

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only
Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the
power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius
Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was
buried.**

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right
hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,**

**the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Lord's Prayer

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**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor:

Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need, responding to each petition with the words “receive our prayer.”

God of open arms, make Christians into signs of your gracious welcome, to both members and newcomers, whether meeting physically or digitally. Strengthen faith through Bible studies and Sunday schools, confirmation classes and youth ministries, and nurture new ventures for education and growth. Bless bishops, pastors, and deacons for their work in this unprecedented time.

A brief silence.

O God, you are full of compassion;
receive our prayer.

God of lands and seas, continue your care for your creation. Where human selfishness has brought ruin and destruction, we ask you to heal and renew your earth. Preserve the lands from fire and storm. Protect the sources of food that your creatures need for life.

A brief silence.

O God, you are full of compassion;
receive our prayer.

God of justice, lead the nations away from the ways of violence. Guide the United Nations and other organizations that seek reconciliation across national borders. Show families, neighborhoods, and nations how to welcome diversity while sharing common ground. Preserve our election season from abuse and rancor.

A brief silence.

O God, you are full of compassion;
receive our prayer.

God of our homeland, visit the American cities that are addressing local racism. Stand with both protesters and police, that civil society may be preserved and improved. Bring both healing and justice to our land.

A brief silence.

O God, you are full of compassion;
receive our prayer.

God of the sufferers, visit prisons and care homes with health and hope. Free victims of human trafficking and forced labor. Deliver all who are bound by debt. Feed all who hunger, and provide safety to migrants. Protect firefighters and first responders. Heal the sick, especially those we name here before you:

A brief silence.

O God, you are full of compassion;
receive our prayer.

God of goodness, once more we beg for a way through the pandemic. Comfort the afflicted. Support medical workers. Prepare a vaccine.

A brief silence.

O God, you are full of compassion;
receive our prayer.

God of tender power, we pray to you. Hear now, we pray, the desires of our hearts.

A longer period of silence.

O God, you are full of compassion;
receive our prayer.

Whether we live or whether we die, we are yours. We thank you for those who have led us in the faith. Hold us with them in your everlasting love.

A brief silence.

O God, you are full of compassion;
receive our prayer.

All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy; through Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Officiant then says

Collect of the Day

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Officiant then says

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Officiant and People say together:

General Thanksgiving

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Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of

glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Priest gives a final blessing:

The peace of God, which surpasses 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 among you, and remain with you always.
Amen.

Closing Hymn

All Creatures of Our God and King, 1982 Hymnal 400

Postlude

Dunstable/Biggs, *Agincourt Hymn*

*This musical offering concludes worship.
All are welcome to join us during our Zoom Coffee Hour
immediately following service!*

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