The Season Following Pentecost 2020
The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 18th, 2020

St. Mary’s, Hamilton Village
THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH AT PENN
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Serving Today

Officiant.................. The Rev. Mariclair Partee Carlsen
Deacon...................... The Rev. Deacon Barbara Tobin
Organist and Choirmaster............... Michael Lawrence
Cantors.......... Aaron Todd, Jerene Good, Thomas Ward

Lectors
   Jonathan Ashton, Frank Innes, Jerene Good

Intercessor.................................. Martin Bodtmann

Stewardship Moment.......................... Frank Innes
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
Michael Lawrence, Prelude on Jesus Shall Reign
Handel/Rawsthorne, Air from Water Music
Langlais, Flutes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN
Jesus Shall Reign, 1982 Hymnal 544

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.
INVITATORY 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.

Then all say:
Jubilate

Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; *  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

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

PSALM Psalm 96:1-13
Lector
Psalm Ninety-Six, beginning with the First Verse.

1 Sing to the Lord a new song; *  
sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.

2 Sing to the Lord and bless his Name; *  
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.

3 Declare his glory among the nations *  
and his wonders among all peoples.

4 For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; *  
he is more to be feared than all gods.

5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *  
but it is the Lord who made the heavens.

6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *  
Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
7 Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; * ascribe to the Lord honor and power.

8 Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; * bring offerings and come into his courts.

9 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; * let the whole earth tremble before him.

10 Tell it out among the nations: "The Lord is King! * he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."

11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; * let the field be joyful and all that is therein.

12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the Lord when he comes, * when he comes to judge the earth.

13 He will judge the world with righteousness * and the peoples with his truth.

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

Isaiah 45:1-7

Lector

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, the Forty-Fifth Chapter, beginning with the First Verse.

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped

to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes,

to open doors before him-- and the gates shall not be closed:

I will go before you and level the mountains,

I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron,

I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places,

so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,

I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me.

I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me,

so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other.

I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.

*Lector* Here ends the Reading.

**The First Song of Isaiah**

*Ecce, Deus*

**Isaiah 12:2-6**

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *

and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *

from the springs of salvation.
And on that day you shall say, *
   Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
Make his deeds known among the peoples; *
   see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *
   and this is known in all the world.
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *
   for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Lector

A Reading from the First Epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians, the First Chapter, beginning with the First Verse.

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our
God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead--Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

*Lector* Here ends the Reading.

*Together, all say:*

**The Third Song of Isaiah** Surge, illuminati

*Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19*

*Arise, shine, for your light has come,*

*
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land; *
    deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise, *
    and his glory will appear upon you.
Nations will stream to your light, *
    and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open; *
    by day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord, *
    The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land, *
    ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation, *
    and all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day; *
    by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

The Lord will be your everlasting light, *
    and your God will be your glory.

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.

Gospel Reading Matthew 22:15-22
Officiant
A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew, the Twenty-Second Chapter, beginning with the Fifteenth Verse.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Officiant    Here ends the Reading.

SERMON    The Rev. Mariclair Partee Carlsen

A musical reflection will follow.

OFFERTORY
Throughout October, we will be hearing stewardship
reflections from members of St. Mary’s as we all prayerfully consider our pledges in support of the parish for 2021. Today’s reflection comes from Frank Innes. Our Stewardship Letter and 2021 Virtual Pledge Form are available here. Please submit your pledge form by November 1st.

Sequence Hymn
Just a Closer Walk with Thee, LEVAS 72

Together, all say the:
Apostles’ Creed BCP p. 96

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

*BCP* p. 96

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*In the silence within each bidding, the People are invited to offer their prayers, either silently or aloud.*

*Intercessor*
With confidence in God’s grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need, responding to each petition with the words “In mercy, receive our prayers.”

*A brief silence.*

We pray for the church around the world: that church leaders be supported in their ministries, especially priests; that national and local churches receive the necessary funding to accomplish their tasks; and that, hearing you call us by name, we join with all the baptized to give you praise, even in this time of great trouble.

*A brief silence.*

You are great, O God, our Redeemer: *in mercy, receive our prayers.*

We pray for the earth, the lands, the waters, the animals: that what has been destroyed or harmed be renewed; that the wildness of both storms and viruses be tamed;
and that all people become faithful stewards of your good creation.

A brief silence.

You are great, O God, our Creator:
in mercy, receive our prayers.

We pray for the nations of the world: that violence between and within nations cease; that relief agencies be enabled to feed those who face starvation; that elections in the world’s democracies be conducted fairly; and that the people of our country shun acts of hostility and sedition.

A brief silence.

You are great, O God, our Sovereign:
in mercy, receive our prayers.

We pray for a right use of taxation: that laws concerning taxes reflect justice for all; that tax monies be directed to worthy uses; and that citizens honestly pay what is fairly charged, so that our nation may be maintained.

A brief silence.

You are great, O God, our Judge:
in mercy, receive our prayers.

On this day commemorating St. Luke, we pray for all ministries of healing: that hospitals and clinics receive
adequate resources; that medical care be improved in neighborhoods of poverty, in prisons, and in refugee camps; that physicians and nurses be upheld; and that kindly hospice care be available to the dying.

A brief silence.

You are great, O God, our Healer:
in mercy, receive our prayers.

We pray for all in need: for all who suffer from the coronavirus; for all who are living with high anxiety; for those who are unemployed; for those evicted from their housing; for all who experience prejudice based on skin color, ethnicity, or economic status; for those we name here before you. . . .

A brief silence.

You are great, O God, our Comforter:
in mercy, receive our prayers.

We pray finally for ourselves: that you give us steadfastness in faith and love; and that you hear the petitions of our hearts.

A longer period of silence.

You are great, O God, our Friend:
in mercy, receive our prayers.
We praise you for the centuries of the faithful who have died in the faith, especially today for the evangelist Luke, and for those we remember in our hearts. . . . That at the end you will welcome us all into your presence, we pray. *A brief silence.*

You are great, O God, our Hope: **in mercy, receive our prayers.**

Hear us when we call upon you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

*Amen.*

*The Officiant then says*

**Collect of the Day**

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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  

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
God of Grace and God of Glory, 1982 Hymnal 594
Postlude
Marchand, *Plein jeu and Fugue* from *5th Organ Book*

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

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