



The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 11, 2019
The Holy Eucharist - Rite Two

Prelude

Announcements

The Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn | *Please stand*

How firm a foundation

Hymnal 637 vs 1,35

THE WORD OF GOD

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

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

Hymn of Praise

Gloria in excelsis Deo

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.***

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People and also with you.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson | *Please be seated*
15:1-6

Genesis

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness. The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response | *Read responsively by whole verse*
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Psalms 33:12-

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

13 The Lord looks down from heaven, and beholds all the people in the world.

14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze on all who dwell on the earth.

15 He fashions all the hearts of them and understands all their works.

16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.

17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; for all its strength it cannot save.

18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, on those who wait upon his love,

19 To pluck their lives from death, and to feed them in time of famine.

20 Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and our shield.

21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, for in his holy Name we put our trust.

22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, as we have put our trust in you.

The Second Lesson
8-16

Hebrews 11:1-3,

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our

NOW FAITH IS THE ASSURANCE OF THINGS HOPED FOR, THE CONVICTION OF THINGS NOT SEEN. INDEED, BY FAITH OUR ANCESTORS RECEIVED APPROVAL. BY FAITH WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE WORLDS WERE PREPARED BY THE WORD OF GOD, SO THAT WHAT IS SEEN WAS MADE FROM THINGS THAT ARE NOT VISIBLE. BY FAITH ABRAHAM OBEYED WHEN HE WAS CALLED TO SET OUT FOR A PLACE THAT HE WAS TO RECEIVE AS AN INHERITANCE; AND HE SET OUT, NOT KNOWING WHERE HE WAS GOING. BY FAITH HE STAYED FOR A TIME IN THE LAND HE HAD BEEN PROMISED, AS IN A FOREIGN LAND, LIVING IN TENTS, AS DID ISAAC AND JACOB, WHO WERE HEIRS WITH HIM OF THE SAME PROMISE. FOR HE LOOKED FORWARD TO THE CITY THAT HAS FOUNDATIONS, WHOSE ARCHITECT AND BUILDER IS GOD. BY FAITH HE RECEIVED POWER OF PROCREATION, EVEN THOUGH HE WAS TOO OLD-- AND SARAH HERSELF WAS BARREN-- BECAUSE HE CONSIDERED HIM FAITHFUL WHO HAD PROMISED. THEREFORE FROM ONE PERSON, AND THIS ONE AS GOOD AS DEAD, DESCENDANTS WERE BORN, "AS MANY AS THE STARS OF HEAVEN AND AS THE INNUMERABLE GRAINS OF SAND BY THE SEASHORE." ALL OF THESE DIED IN FAITH WITHOUT HAVING RECEIVED THE PROMISES, BUT FROM A DISTANCE THEY SAW AND GREETED THEM. THEY CONFESSED THAT THEY WERE STRANGERS AND FOREIGNERS ON THE EARTH, FOR PEOPLE WHO SPEAK IN THIS WAY MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THEY ARE SEEKING A HOMELAND. IF THEY HAD BEEN THINKING OF THE LAND THAT THEY HAD LEFT BEHIND, THEY WOULD HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITY TO RETURN. BUT AS IT IS, THEY DESIRE A BETTER COUNTRY, THAT IS, A HEAVENLY ONE. THEREFORE GOD IS NOT ASHAMED TO BE CALLED THEIR GOD; INDEED, HE HAS PREPARED A CITY FOR THEM. The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn | *Please stand*

Be ready for the masters return

Michael Hudson

Tune: Tallis Canon

¹ We watch as all things pass away
and mark the work of moth and thief;
our hearts observe and are concerned
that life is brittle and is brief

² And so we work to build a life
that stands the famine and the flood;
we sow and gather, seize the hoard -
it is the instinct of our blood.

³ But there is other instinct here,
a wisdom drawing hearts to truth -
life grows less bounded and more full
when we are watching, God, for you.

⁴ So come, our Wisdom, when you will
and urge us each in time and space
beyond our primal, grasping need
and on toward your unfolding grace.

The Holy Gospel | *Remain standing*
12:32-40

Luke

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour." The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Becky

Crites

The Nicene Creed | *Please stand.*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Form III

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence. Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Almighty and most gracious God, source of all wisdom and guidance, send your Holy Spirit to guide us as we seek and discern a shepherd for the Diocese of Southern Virginia. Inspire us with hope, hearts to love you and a desire to serve one another. Grant us grace to entrust you with the future of your Church and all things. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. For the special needs and concerns of this congregations especially: Rosemary Nichols, Ellen Bryant Voigt, Sharon Taylor, Ruth Taylor, Michelle Taylor, Virginia, Cheryl Hogg, Teresa Salle', Sarah McBrayer, Joseph and Jean Dapps, Ricky Camp, Wayne Smith, Ashby Cothran, Cindy Farran, Kent Tucker, Charles Williams, Carol Barnett.

The People may add their own petitions.

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces and those in humanitarian missions, especially Chris Leicht and Carter Faison.

Concluding Collect

Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

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.***

Absolution

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.

The Peace

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

At the Presentation *Please stand.*

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Hymnal 380, verse 3

Hymn
verse 1

Hymnal 719,

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain;
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
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Hymnal

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People: AMEN.

And now, as our savior Christ has taught us to Say,

***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

The Breaking of Bread.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Ministration of Communion *The people are seated*

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist. If you wish to receive a blessing rather than communion, please cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.

Hymn During Communion

In Christ there is no east or west

Hymnal #529

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

***Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us
as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

Blessing and Dismissal

Closing Hymn | *Please stand*

Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Hymnal 618, vs 1,3,4

Postlude

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
by Bill, Scott and Paula Simpson in memory of Donna Dodd Simpson*

Welcome to Emmanuel!

You have a special invitation to join us for refreshments and conversation in the Parish Hall following the service. This morning our Fellowship Time is hosted by Wanda Gammon and Steve Griffin.

Serving Today

Celebrant	The Rev. Becky Crites
Organist /Choirmaster	Mr. Kenyon Scott
Eucharistic Minister	Carol-Ann Lawson, Alice Coles
Reader	April Miller
Intercessor	Stephanie Hurt
Altar	Ashby Cothran
Usher	Walter Coles, Charlie Hurt

August Birthdays and Anniversaries

Steve Wilson	6	Joan and Jim Matheison	1
Lisa Mullis	7	Becky and Jim Crites	13
Armando Garcia	27		
Langhorne Jones	29		
Jim Crites	31		

Vestry Members

Class of 2019: Ashby Cothran

Class of 2020: Steve Griffin (Jr. Warden), Anne Hunt (Sr. Warden), Carol-Ann Lawson

Class of 2021: Llewellyn Coles, Kenyon Scott

Office hours:

Monday: 1-4pm. Tuesday: 2-4pm Wednesday: 10am – 1 pm

A Blessing for your week

“Life is short. We don't have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind.” Adapted from a quote by Henri-Frédéric Amiel

Look for ways to gladden hearts this week!

Summer Worship Notes

The choir is taking a well-deserved summer break! We give thanks for their ministry!

Also, the blessing and dismissal are given together so we are truly “sent out” after the last hymn. This is a change to our practice of sitting as the postlude is played. *We sing the last hymn. We go out rejoicing as Kenyon plays!*

Episcopal Election

Two names have been added by petition for election to our episcopate. These are priests who are currently serving in our diocese: The Rev. Harold J. Cobb, Jr. The Rev. J. Derek Harbin

The Rev. Canon John T.W. Harmon

The Rev. Susan B. Haynes

The Rev. Canon Victoria Heard

The Rev. Sven L. vanBaars

Public forums will give everyone a chance to meet the nominees and learn more about them. The one closest to us is *Sunday, Sept. 8 at 3:00 pm at Johns Memorial, Farmville.* The election will be held Saturday, Sept. 21. The consecration will be Feb. 1, 2020. Richard Camp is our delegate.

SAFE GUARDING ALL OF GOD’S PEOPLE

This training will increase awareness of and teach best practices for an environment free of misconduct.

Saturday, August 17 – Specialized Training, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Required for Vestry members, Treasurer, Church employees, Youth leaders, Choir directors, Eucharistic Visitors, Pastoral Care Visitors.

Sunday, August 18 – Universal Training 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Altar Guild, Nursery workers (paid/unpaid), 1099 employees, confirmation mentors, tutors.

We are in need of someone to care for our altar linens.
Please speak to Becky+, Mary Hicks or Betty Camp about this.

We are in need of a dresser similar to the one in the women’s bathroom to be used a changing table in the men’s restroom. If you have one to donate, please speak with Becky+ about this.

THIS WEEK:

Wednesday, 12 noon – 1pm Summer Chats (As folks want to continue, so we will!)
Casual conversation. Bring your lunch if you’d like. Topics can be anything: biblical, spiritual, theological meanderings, town stuff, Chatham Hall, the diocese, or the ever popular....why can’t we.....?

Coming soon:

Bible Study returns: The Gospel of John
Mondays, beginning at 6:30
Wednesdays, beginning at 10 am

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