

# The Third Sunday after Pentecost

## The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday 9 June 2024 10:15 A.M.

Prelude

Processional Hymn 594

"God of grace and God of glory"

## The Word of God

**Opening Acclamation** 

## **Collect for Purity**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

## Gloria in excelsis S280

## The Collect of the Day

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; 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: 1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20, 11:14-15

Commentary: Israel requesting a king was not, in and of itself, displeasing to Samuel and God, it was the reason the people wanted a king that was bad. The request showed dissatisfaction with God's present means of providing leadership through judges and, on the other hand, expressed a desire to be like all the other nations instead of set apart to God. The Lord granted Israel's request, but through Samuel, God made clear some of the negative consequences of having a king, such as the loss of freedoms and possessions that the people presently enjoyed. However, the people remained adamant and Saul was anointed Israel's first king.

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the LORD, and the LORD said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them." So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day." But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our

## The Holy Bible; NRSV, p. 248

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355 p. 355

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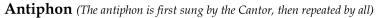
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king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles." Samuel said to the people, "Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship." So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the LORD in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the LORD, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.

PeopleThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm 138

Confitebor tibi







I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole / heart; \* before the gods I will sing your / praise.
I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your / Name, \*

because of your love and / faithfulness;

#### ANTIPHON

For you have glorified your / Name \* and your word above / all things. When I called, you / answered me; \* you increased my strength with-/in me.

#### ANTIPHON

All the kings of the earth will praise you, O / Lord, \* when they have heard the words of your / mouth.

They will sing of the ways of the / Lord, \* that great is the glory of the / Lord.

## The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Commentary: Despite persecution and suffering, Paul continued to serve God faithfully because he was fully convinced that when death ended his service here, God would raise him from the dead. The resurrection of Jesus guaranteed the resurrection of believers in Jesus. Paul gladly endured suffering for the gospel since he knew it resulted in the Corinthians' good. Although Paul did not lose heart, his hardships were taking a heavy toll on his body. However, Paul remained steadfast. Spiritually he was still growing and he realized that suffering now for Jesus' sake would one day result in glory. Paul kept his eyes on unseen, future realities and that enabled him to avoid present discouragement.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke" —we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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#### ANTIPHON

Though the Lord be high, he cares for the / **lowly**; \* he perceives the haughty from a-/**far**.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me / **safe**; \* you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall / **save me**.

Second half of chant:

The Lord will make good his / **purpose for me;** \* O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your / **hands.** 

#### ANTIPHON

*NRSV*, p. 1055

## Sequence Hymn 209 "We walk by faith, and not by sight"

People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon	The Reverend Gray Hodsdon
The Nicene Creed	р. 358
Prayers of the People - Form IV	p. 388
<i>The response to each petition:</i> Lord, in your mercy,	Hear our prayer.
Confession of Sin and Absolution	р. 360
The Peace	р. 360
Welcome and Announcements	

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem		Joseph Corfe			
O give thanks unto the Lord, the Lord is good; For his steadfast love endures forever more.					
Presentation Hymn 380	third stanza only	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.					
The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer B		p. 367			
Sanctus S129 "Holy, holy Lord"		Powell			
The Lord's Prayer		p. 364			
The Breaking of the Bread		p. 364			

Fraction Anthem: S152

Mason Martens

### Gluten-free wafers are available at the main altar upon request.

## **Communion Hymns**

Hymn 316	"This is the hour of banquet and of song"	Canticum Refectionis
Hymn 318	"Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face"	Nyack
Hymn 341	"For the bread which you have broken"	Omni die

## The Postcommunion Prayer

The Communion of the People

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Blessing

Closing Hymn 632 The Dismissal Postlude

## "O Christ the Word Incarnate"

Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon Director of Music: John Sullivan St. Mary's, Burgaw: Beth Lilly

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Helen Margaret Messick Willetts and Frederick Willetts, Jr.

## This week at st. James

#### MON.- FRI., JUNE 10-14

- MORNING PRAYER 8:00-8:30 AM| Zoom
- SJDS: SUMMER CAMP IN SESSION 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM | St. James Day School
- SJP YOUTH: GLORY RIDGE All Week | Madison County, NC

#### MONDAY, JUNE 10

• VESTRY MEETING 5:15 PM | Graham Parlor TUESDAY, JUNE 11 • NO EVENTS PLANNED

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

• HOLY EUCHARIST 12:10 PM | St. James Parish

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 13

• GREETER GATHERING 5:30 PM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 14

• ST. PETER'S CHOIR SCHOOL PERFORMANCE 7:00 PM | St. James Parish

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 15

NO EVENTS PLANNED

# St. James Parish

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#### SUNDAY, JUNE 16

- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I 8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 8:30 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 9:30 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- LEMONADE & COOKIES 10:15 AM| Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 10:15 AM| St. James Parish & Livestream

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