

# THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Sunday 23 June 2024 8:30 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.



THE WORD OF GOD

#### **Opening Acclamation**

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

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

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

### The Collect for Purity p. 355

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.** 

Kyrie p. 356

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day p. 230

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### The Lesson: 2 Corinthians 6:1–13

Commentary: Paul reminded the Corinthians of his conduct and experiences as God's ambassador and he urged his readers to respond to God's reconciling grace. Paul commended and defended his own ministry to prove he had not received God's grace in vain. Through trials, God had produced positive character traits in Paul. Human reactions to Paul's ministry varied greatly but he continued to persevere in his work. On the basis of Paul's openness with the Corinthians, he appealed to the Corinthians to open their hearts to God.

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return-- I speak as to children-- open wide your hearts also.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

NRSV, p. 916

The Reverend Gray Hodsdon

The Holy Bible; NRSV, p. 1056

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?".

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed p. 358

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.

#### Prayers of the People - Form IV

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The response to each petition:

...Lord, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

#### Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant 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.

The Priest stands and 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.

The Peace p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### **The Great Thanksgiving** — Eucharistic Prayer B

p. 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here, a proper preface is said, then the Celebrant continues...

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:

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues, saying in the midst of the prayer:

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, concluding with:

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. **AMEN**.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer p. 364

#### The Breaking of the Bread

p. 364

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### The Communion of the People

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

#### The Postcommunion Prayer

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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

The Dismissal p. 366

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. People

#### St. James, Downtown

Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr. Director of Music: John Sullivan

Mt. Lebanon Chapel Celebrant: The Reverend Beth Lilly Preacher: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon Music: Zach Bugg

St. Mary's, Burgaw

Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Bill Milholland

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lu and Mary Oakley, Joe and Mary Peck, Mary Jo Oakley

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