

# THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ANTE-COMMUNION: RITE II

JUNE 21, 2020 AT 10:00AM



During this time when we aren't able to be together physically, we invite you to join us in other ways. Please check our [Website](#), [Facebook](#), and [YouTube](#) pages regularly for new information and video messages. If you are in need of groceries, medicine, or any other essentials please let us know by calling (717) 299-1188 or emailing [equilla@stjohns-lancaster.org](mailto:equilla@stjohns-lancaster.org). We have a number of volunteers and staff members willing and able to run errands as needed.

## THE WORD OF GOD

**PRELUDE**

*Beautiful, beautiful*

**OPENING HYMN**

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!*

**HYMN 460**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;  
His the scepter, His the throne.  
Alleluia! His the triumph,  
His the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation  
has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now.  
Alleluia! He is near us;  
faith believes, nor questions how.  
Though the cloud from sight received Him  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget His promise,  
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of heaven,  
here on earth our food, our stay.  
Alleluia! Here the sinful  
flee to You from day to day.  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, hear our plea  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,  
You the Lord of lords we own;  
Earth your footstool, heav'n your throne.  
You within the veil have entered,  
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;  
You on earth both priest and victim  
In the eucharistic feast.

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

**BCP 355**

*Officiant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.*

**HYMN OF PRAISE**      *Surely it is God who saves me*



1 Sure - ly it is God — who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not  
2 Make his deeds — known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed



fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing  
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his



help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -  
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with



va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -  
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the



liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.  
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*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.*

## FIRST LESSON: GENESIS 21:8-21

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, “Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.” The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, “Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.” So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, “Do not let me look on the death of the child.” And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.” Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

*Reader*     The Word of the Lord.

*People*     *Thanks be to God.*

## PSALM 86:1-10, 16-17

- 1 Bow down your ear, O LORD, and answer me, \*  
for I am poor and in misery.
- 2 Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; \*  
save your servant who puts his trust in you.
- 3 Be merciful to me, O LORD, for you are my God; \*  
I call upon you all the day long.
- 4 Gladden the soul of your servant, \*  
for to you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
- 5 For you, O LORD, are good and forgiving, \*  
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.
- 6 Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer, \*  
and attend to the voice of my supplications.
- 7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, \*  
for you will answer me.

- 8 Among the gods there is none like you, O LORD, \*  
nor anything like your works.
- 9 All nations you have made will come and worship you, O LORD, \*  
and glorify your Name.
- 10 For you are great;  
you do wondrous things; \*  
and you alone are God.
- 16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; \*  
give your strength to your servant;  
and save the child of your handmaid.
- 17 Show me a sign of your favor,  
so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; \*  
because you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

**SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 6:1B-11**

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

*Reader*     The Word of the Lord.  
*People*     *Thanks be to God.*

**THE SEQUENCE HYMN**     *Christ Beside Me (Sing to the Tune: Morning has Broken)*

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| <p>1 Christ be beside me,<br/>Christ be before me,<br/>Christ be behind me,<br/>King of my heart.<br/>Christ be within me,<br/>Christ be below me,<br/>Christ be above me,<br/>Never to part.</p> | <p>2 Christ on my right hand,<br/>Christ on my left hand,<br/>Christ all around me,<br/>Shield in the strife.<br/>Christ in my sleeping,<br/>Christ in my sitting,<br/>Christ in my rising,<br/>Light of my life.</p> | <p>3 Christ be in all hearts<br/>thinking about me,<br/>Christ be in all tongues<br/>Telling of me.<br/>Christ be the vision<br/>in the eyes that see me,<br/>in the ears that hear me,<br/>Christ ever be.</p> |
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## GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 10:24-39

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, “A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! “So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. “Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

### THE HOMILY

THE REV. AMANDA R. KNOUSE

### THE NICENE CREED *(Please stand)*

**BCP 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. *(pause)*  
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**

**BCP 387**

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.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; we lift up St. Paul's, Bloomsburg in the  
Diocesan cycle of prayer and in the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for Church of the  
Province of Nigeria.  
*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; especially  
Donald, our President; Tom, our Governor; and Danene, our Mayor.  
*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; especially Heather.  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed, especially Butch, 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.

*Celebrant* Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **THE CONFESSION**

**BCP 360**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

*Celebrant* 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** *(take a moment to send someone a text, an email, or post on social media!)*

**BCP 360**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

## **THE OFFERTORY**

*Thank you for your support during this season of our lives: your generosity enables the work of Christ to continue here and now. Contributions can be mailed to the church office (321 W. Chestnut St., Lancaster, PA 17603) or given online at <https://stjohns-lancaster.org>.*

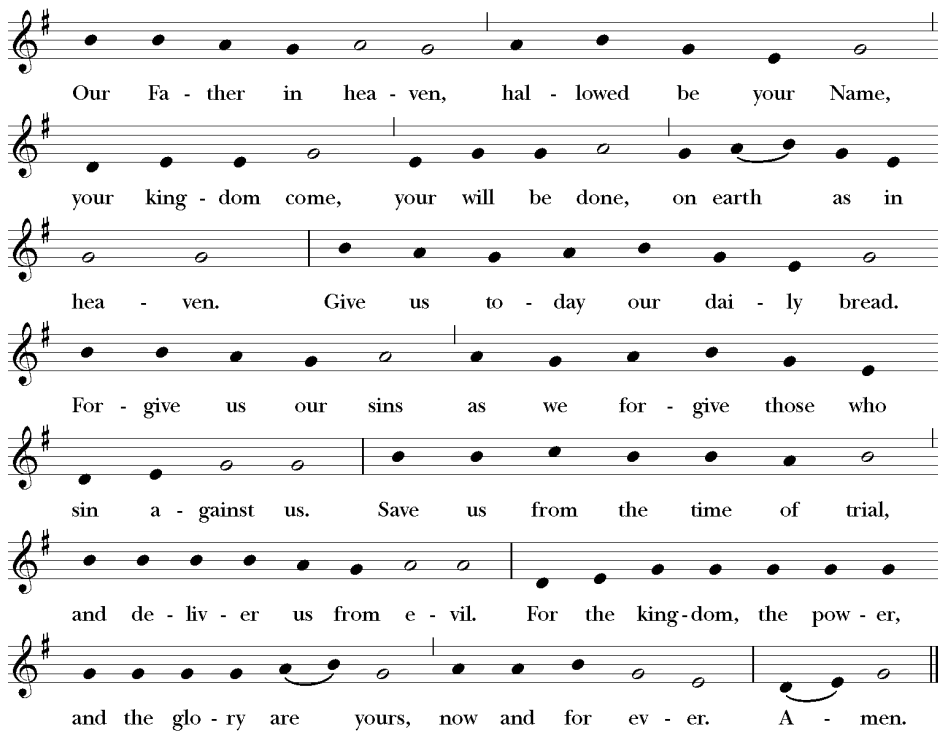
**MUSICAL OFFERING**

*Be not afraid*



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Officiant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in  
hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.  
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who  
sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,  
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

## PRAYER FOR WHEN WE CANNOT RECEIVE HOLY EUCHARIST

In union, O Lord Jesus Christ, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, we join in offering the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving to you. We present to you ourselves, our souls and our bodies, with the earnest longing that we may ever be united to you. And since we cannot receive the Holy Sacrament, come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves to you, and love you with all our hearts, with all our souls, with all our minds, and with all our strength. Let nothing ever separate us from you. Let us live and die in your love. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart. May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom, and peace. May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer pain, rejection, hunger, and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and to turn their pain to joy.

And may God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in the world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done, to bring justice and kindness to all our children and the poor. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always.  
*Amen.*

**CLOSING HYMN**      *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

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**THE DISMISSAL**

**BCP 366**

*Officiant*      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
*People*          *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!*

**POSTLUDE**              *Shout to the North*

**UPCOMING MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S:**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 21**

9:15 a.m.              Children's Sunday School (Zoom)  
10:00 a.m.             Ante-Communion Rite I  
11:00 a.m.             Virtual Coffee Hour (Zoom)

**TUESDAY, JUNE 23**

2:30 p.m.              Food Pantry

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24**

12:00 p.m.             Prayer (Facebook Live)  
4:30 p.m.              Youth Group (Zoom)  
7:00 p.m.              Simon Peter (Adult Formation on Zoom)  
TBD                      Stewardship Committee Meeting

**THURSDAY, JUNE 25**

2:30 p.m.              Food Pantry

**SATURDAY, JUNE 27**

11:00 a.m.             Interment (Private)

**SOLES4SOULS**— While some events in our St. John's lives have been interrupted over the past months, the outreach and caring has not. Soles4Souls which was scheduled to happen during Lent, is happening NOW. Please take a moment and check around your house, ask your neighbors or any of your co-workers for shoes they aren't wearing to be donated and warm the hearts of SO many others. We will be collecting shoes from now until June 30th which can be brought to the church office Tuesday thru Thursday from 10am - 3pm. Please tie shoe laces together and otherwise a rubber band on the shoes would be a help. We do not need the shoe boxes as they are all repacked. One pair can make a huge difference for someone in need.



Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the



wil - der-ness, call - ing and free. Spir - it,



spir - it of rest - less - ness, stir me from plac - id-ness,



wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters; you called to the
- 2 You swept through the des - ert; you stung with the
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble; you cried from a
- 4 You call from to - mor - row; you break an - cient



deep; then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the  
 sand; and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a  
 hill; then you whis - pered in si - lence when the  
 schemes; from the bond - age of sor - row the



val - leys of sleep; and o - ver the e -  
 law and a land. When they were con - found -  
 whole world was still. And down in the cit -  
 cap - tives dream dreams. Our wom - en see vi -



ons you called to each thing, "A -  
 ed with i - dols and lies, then you  
 y, you called once a - gain when you  
 sions; our men clear their eyes. With



wake from your slum - bers and  
 spoke through your proph - ets to  
 blew through your peo - ple on the  
 bold new de - ci - sions your



rise on your wings."  
 o - pen their eyes.  
 rush of the wind.  
 peo - ple a - rise.

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**GROW IN GOD, ACT IN SERVICE, WITNESS IN LOVE**