

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ANTE-COMMUNION: RITE II
AUGUST 16, 2020 AT 10:00AM



During this time when not everyone is 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. We have a number of volunteers and staff members willing and able to run errands as needed.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

My Shepherd will supply my Need

arr. D. Wall

OPENING HYMN

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

HYMN 544

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, while the bass clef provides harmonic support with chords and single notes. The lyrics are arranged in five numbered lines, each corresponding to a measure of the melody. The lyrics are: 1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc - 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners 5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from 2 throng to crown his head; his Name like sweet per - 3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es 4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e - 5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with

1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more. 2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice. 3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name. 4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest. 5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

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.*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 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.*

THE GLORIA (*spoken*)

BCP 356

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.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 230

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: GENESIS 45:1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 133

¹ Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!

² It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,

- ³ Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
⁴ It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
⁵ For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 11:1-2A, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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

THE SEQUENCE HYMN *There's a wideness in God's mercy*

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GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 15: (10-20), 21-28

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

[Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.]" Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

THE SERMON

THE REV. MATT MACDOUGALL

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, Columbia in the
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Scottish
Episcopal Church.
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. We pray also for
those serving in the armed forces.
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 Jim, Ty, and
Carole.
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.

We invite your own prayers of intercession and thanksgiving at this time, either silently
or aloud.

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 continual support of the mission and ministry of St. John's. Contributions can be placed in the offertory plate as you exit, given online on our website, or mailed to the church office (321 W. Chestnut St., Lancaster, PA 17603). Again, THANK YOU!

MUSICAL OFFERING *Jesus loves me* arr. N. Jesup

THE LORD'S PRAYER **BCP 364**

Officiant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold 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.

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

Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love and make haste to be kind. The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN *O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling*

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GOOD NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL

BCP 366

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

POSTLUDE *Westminster Carillon*

L. Vierne

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

10:00 a.m. Ante-Communion Rite II
11:00 a.m. Virtual Coffee Hour (Zoom)
12:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

MONDAY, AUGUST 17

11:00 a.m. Stewardship Meeting

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

9:00 a.m. Partnership w/Fulton Elementary Meeting (Parish Hall)
12:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
2:30 p.m. Food Pantry
6:00 p.m. V.H. Dance (Auditorium)
7:00 p.m. ALERT Meeting

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

12:00 p.m. Ante-Communion, Rite II with Healing Prayers (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. Jubilee Adult Forum (Zoom)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

2:30 p.m. Food Pantry

Weekly Support Ministries

AA: Tuesday - 6:00 -7:00 p.m. (All Purpose Room)
NA: Wednesday - 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. (All Purpose Room)

FOOD PANTRY— Thank you for your continual support of our food pantry ministry. Your donations allow us to feed so many neighbors struggling to make ends meet during this difficult time. Thank you for being good news to those in need. We are currently in need of toiletry items, cereal, pasta, and canned goods. (please leave on the back porch of Becker House).

PLANNING MEETING— Join us on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 9AM for the Planning Meeting to discuss how St. John's can provide academic and social support to students from Fulton Elementary School. If you are interested in helping us create the next opportunity for our kids, please attend the meeting. Please email Equilla@stjohns-lancaster.org if you plan to attend.



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
 2 There is no place where earth's sor-rows are more felt than up in heaven;
 3 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sure of the mind;



there's a kind-ness in his jus-tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
 there is no place where earth's fail-ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.



There is wel-come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;
 There is plen - ti - ful re - demp-tion in the blood that has been shed;
 If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;



there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
 and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.



O Zi - on, haste, thy mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,
 Pro - claim to ev - ery peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion
 Send her - alds forth to bear the mes - sage glo - rious;
 He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere thou meet him,

to tell to all the world that God is Light;
 that God, in whom they live and move, is Love;
 give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
 make known to ev - ery heart his sav - ing grace;

that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing
 tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion,
 pour out thy soul for them in prayer vic - to - rious
 let none whom he hath ran - somed fail to greet him,

one soul should fail to know his love and might.
 and died on earth that all might live a - bove.
 till God shall bring his king - dom's joy - ful day.
 through thy ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

Pub - lish glad ti - dings: ti - dings of peace,
 ti - dings of Je - sus, re - demp - tion and re - lease.



JUBILEE

Adult Forum

Join us every Wednesday in August @ 7:00PM

St. John's is a designated Jubilee Center in the Episcopal Church, but what exactly does Jubilee mean, where does it come from, and how do these ministries change over time? Come explore all things Jubilee in our final summer series.

Zoom Meeting ID: 863 2127 6460

Password: 041630

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."



HELP A STUDENT IN NEED
AT FULTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Annual School Supply Drive

DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE OFFICE DURING
THE WEEK OR AT THE CHURCH ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

We are collecting the following school supplies:
Backpacks - Folders - Bottles of Hand Sanitizer -
Notebooks - Calculators - Pencil Cases - Art supplies -
Binders - Glue Sticks - Pencils - Pens - Markers -
Disinfectant Wipes - Scissors - Tissues - Tape - Etc.



St. John's Episcopal Church presents our annual:

Backpack Blessing & Electronics Exorcisms

(Okay, we aren't really doing exorcisms on our electronic devices, but we are aware that tablets, computers, and phones are also in need of special blessings this year.)

When: Sunday, August 23 at Noon

Where: Along the sidewalk on W. Chestnut Street
(Masks required)

How: Socially distanced and prayerfully executed

Who: Students of all ages and teachers of all circumstances

OUR MINISTERS

All Baptized Members

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GROW IN GOD, ACT IN SERVICE, WITNESS IN LOVE