

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ANTE-COMMUNION: RITE II
AUGUST 30, 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

In thee is gladness

J.S. Bach

OPENING HYMN

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

HYMN 477



1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,
2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;
3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou
5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord



1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,
2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought;
3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,
4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,
5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;



1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine.
2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.
3 hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry.
4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow.
5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.



Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

Celebrant
People

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

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

FIRST LESSON: EXODUS 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 105:1-6, 23-26, 45C

- ¹ Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; *
 make known his deeds among the peoples.
- ² Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
 and speak of all his marvelous works.
- ³ Glory in his holy Name; *
 let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- ⁴ Search for the LORD and his strength; *
 continually seek his face.

⁵ Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
⁶ O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.
²³ Israel came into Egypt, *
and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.
²⁴ The LORD made his people exceedingly fruitful; *
he made them stronger than their enemies;
²⁵ Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, *
and dealt unjustly with his servants.
²⁶ He sent Moses his servant, *
and Aaron whom he had chosen.
⁴⁵ Hallelujah!

SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

THE SEQUENCE HYMN *Take my life, and let it be*

See insert

GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 16:21-28

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you."

But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? “For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

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

THE SERMON

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. James, Bedford in the
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the United
Church of South India.
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 Ty, and
Carole.
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed, eternal rest; especially Jim.
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 intercessions and thanksgivings at this time.

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.

AN OFFERING OF THANKS

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 *Come Away to the Skies*

arr. R. W. Schaefer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

Celebrant 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 *All creatures of our God and King*

See insert

GOOD NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL

BCP 366

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

POSTLUDE *Prelude in Eb major*

J.S. Bach

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

TODAY

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 31

10:00 a.m. The Village Planning Meeting (Parish Hall)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
2:30 p.m. Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

12:00 p.m. Ante-Communion, Rite II with Healing Prayers (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

2:30 p.m. Food Pantry

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

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

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 canned tuna and chicken, soups, and canned vegetables. (please leave on the back porch of Becker House).

THE VILLAGE— Our partnership with Fulton Elementary school during this time of online learning is expanding. If you would like to volunteer for our new program, The Village, please join us for our next meeting on Monday, August 31, 2020 at 10:00AM in the Parish Hall.

SAVE THE DATE— The Men's Group is hosting a Pizza and Prayer Gathering on Saturday, September 12, 2020 at 4:00PM. More details to come.

***"It takes a village to raise a child."
African Proverb***

**The
Village at
St. John's**

**321 W. Chestnut Street
Lancaster, PA 17603**



What is The Village?

The Village is a program created to support the academic and social well-being of students at Fulton Elementary school. With classes moving online, the need for social interaction, help navigating online assignments, and accessibility to internet is crucial. We believe it takes a village to raise a child and hope opening The Village will enable students to thrive this school year.

There is no cost to attend this program. Students and volunteers will be required to wear masks and practice social distancing.

***Sign up for one or more of
the following sessions:***

Monday:

8:30 AM - 12 PM (K-5 grade)

Wednesday:

10 AM - 12 PM (K-2 grade)

12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (3-5 grade)

***A bagged lunch will be provided for
students attending.***

Space is limited, so register today!

To register click here: [The Village Registration Form](#)

OUR MINISTERS

All Baptized Members

The Rt. Rev. Audrey C. Scanlan, Diocesan Bishop

The Rev. Amanda Knouse, Rector
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The Rev. Matt MacDougall, Associate Rector
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VESTRY

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Tim Huber, Molly Moyer, Nicole Pham, Heather Trenary,
John Gouveia, Joe Way, Annie Lattanzio Hale

STAFF

Equilla Curry, Parish Administrator
Gina Keiser, Financial Secretary
Paul Reese, Minister of Music
Richard Kuhn, Sexton
Maria Weaver-Hollowniczky, Nursery and Security

PRIESTS AND CANONS ASSOCIATED WITH ST. JOHN'S

Canon William F. Honaman, DHL
The Rev. William Archer
The Rev. Faith D'Urbano
The Rev. Elizabeth Mollard

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The Rev. Amanda Knouse
Ken Kiedrowski
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Toni Ehrhart, Annie Lattanzio-Hale
Joe Way

GROW IN GOD, ACT IN SERVICE, WITNESS IN LOVE