#### THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ANTE-COMMUNION: RITE II AUGUST 9, 2020 AT 10:15AM



During this time when not everyone is able to be together physically, we invite you to join us in other ways. Please check our <u>Website</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, and <u>YouTube</u> 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.

**PRELUDE** Air from Suite No.3

J.S. Bach

**OPENING HYMN** Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

**Hymn 410** 



**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 232** 

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; 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 37:1-4, 12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers. and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him"—that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

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

#### **PSALM 105:1-6, 16-22, 45B** (read responsively)

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.

16 Then he called for a famine in the land \* and destroyed the supply of bread.

17 He sent a man before them, \*
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

18 They bruised his feet in fetters; \* his neck they put in an iron collar.

19 Until his prediction came to pass, \* the word of the LORD tested him.

20 The king sent and released him; \* the ruler of the peoples set him free.

21 He set him as a master over his household, as a ruler over all his possessions,

22 To instruct his princes according to his will and to teach his elders wisdom.

45 Hallelujah!

**SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 10:5-15** 

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame."

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

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

THE SEQUENCE HYMN Jesus, Lover of my soul

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Gospel Lesson: Matthew 14:22-33 (please remain standing)

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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

THE SERMON

People

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** (The leader and the people pray responsively)

**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, Philipsburg in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the new Province of Alexandria.

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 Jim. *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.* 

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!

M.T. von Paradis

#### 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 Ho

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

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#### GOOD NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

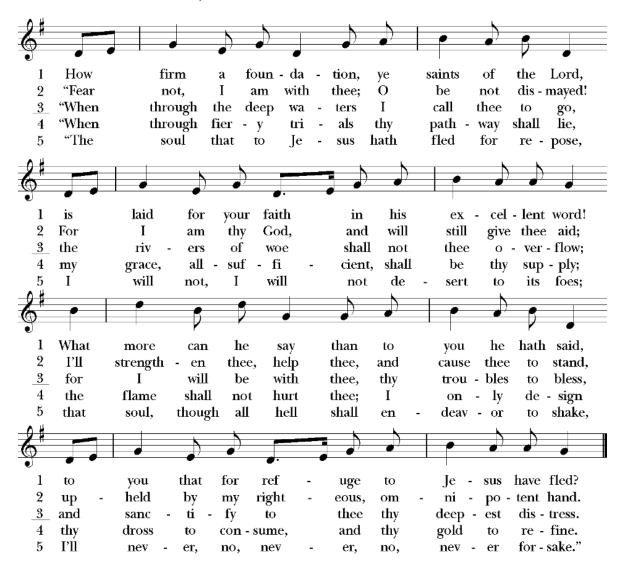
THE DISMISSAL BCP 366

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE Rondeau J.J. Mouret





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

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

8:00 a.m. Ante-Communion Rite I 10:15 a.m. Ante-Communion Rite II 11:15 a.m. Virtual Coffee Hour (Zoom)

#### Tuesday, August 11

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

3:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. V.H. Dance (Auditorium)

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

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

1:00 p.m. Soles4Souls (Pickup with Youth) 7:00 p.m. Jubilee Adult Forum (Zoom)

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

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 cereal, pasta, and canned goods. (Please leave on the back porch of Becker House).

GROCERY STORE CARDS— As of August 2, 2020, we have sold \$1300 in grocery store cards. As a reminder, grocery cards are offered in \$100 cards from WEIS, STAUFFERS, JOHN HERRS and GIANT. Giant also have a \$20 card option. Please clarify if you want the \$20 card or the \$100 card for Giant. We will start by participants mailing checks made out to St John's with grocery coupons written in the memo line. Please mail check to church office: 321 W. Chestnut St. Lancaster PA 17603. Please note on a separate paper or in the memo section which grocery store(s) cards you would like to purchase. Gift cards can be picked up at the church office or placed in the mail. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sue Tobie.

To worship in-person please sign up each week. The sign up sheet will be available every Monday on the website.



### 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

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

The Rev. Amanda Knouse, Rector amanda@stjohns-lancaster.org

The Rev. Matt MacDougall, Associate Rector matt@stjohns-lancaster.org

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