

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 2 August 2020 AD

A LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Seventh Anniversary of the Restoration of the Church of the Messiah Prelude

Opening Hymn 368 "Holy Father, Great Creator"

- 1 Holy Father, great Creator, source of mercy, love, and peace, look upon the Mediator, clothe us with his righteousness; heavenly Father, heavenly Father, through the Savior hear and bless.
- 2 Holy Jesus, Lord of glory, whom angelic hosts proclaim, while we hear thy wondrous story, meet and worship in thy Name, dear Redeemer, dear Redeemer, in our hearts thy peace proclaim.
- 3 Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, come with unction from above, touch our hearts with sacred fire, fill them with the Savior's love. Source of comfort, Source of comfort, cheer us with the Savior's love.
- 4 God the Lord, through every nation let thy wondrous mercies shine. In the song of thy salvation every tongue and race combine. Great Jehovah, great Jehovah, form our hearts and make them thine.

Opening Sentences

Priest: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

Hymn of Praise: Hymn 467 "Sing, My Soul, His Wondrous Love"

- 1 Sing, my soul, his wondrous love, who, from yon bright throne above, ever watchful o'er our race, still to us extends his grace.
- 2 Heaven and earth by him were made; all is by his scepter swayed; what are we that he should show so much love to us below?
- 3 God, the merciful and good, bought us with the Savior's blood, and, to make salvation sure, guides us by his Spirit pure.
- 4 Sing, my soul, adore his Name! Let his glory be thy theme: praise him till he calls thee home; trust his love for all to come.

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Priest: Let us pray. The Celebrant says the Collect of the Day

Lesson

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah. Isaiah 55:1-5 The Word of the Lord. [People: Thanks be to God.]

Gradual Psalm 145: 8-9, 15-22 by the Quartet, Anglican Chant

8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, *

- slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 The Lord is loving to everyone *

and his compassion is over all his works.

15 The Lord upholds all those who fall; *

he lifts up those who are bowed down.

- 16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, * and you give them their food in due season.
- 17 You open wide your hand *

and satisfy the needs of every living creature.

18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways * and loving in all his works.

19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him, * to all who call upon him faithfully.

20 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; * he hears their cry and helps them.

21 The Lord preserves all those who love him, * but he destroys all the wicked.

22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; * let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.

Epistle

A Reading from the Letter to the Romans. Romans 9:1-5 The Word of the Lord. [People: Thanks be to God.]

Sequence Hymn 657 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

- Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.
- 2 Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
- 3 Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

The Holy Gospel - Matthew 14:13-21

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. [People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.] Matthew 14:13-21 The Gospel of the Lord. [People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.]

The Sermon silence for reflection follows the sermon

The Nicene Creed

e 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

The Leader concludes each petition with: Lord, in your grace and mercy. The People respond: Hear us as we pray.

The Peace Reach out to someone today to share God's peace.

Anthem All Who Hunger Gather Gladly Tune: "Holy Manna" S. Dunstan [see text as an addendum to this bulletin following]

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray: Officiant and People pray the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Spiritual Communion

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 780 [WLP] "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" 1 Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word." Lest the Church neglect its mission, And the gospel go unheard, Help us witness to your purpose With renewed integrity; With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us For the work of ministry. 2 Lord, you call us to your service: "In my name baptize and teach." That the world may trust your promise, Life abundant meant for each, Give us all new fervor, draw us Closer in community; With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us For the work of ministry.... 5 Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end." Faith and hope and love restoring, May we serve as you intend, And, amid the cares that claim us, Hold in mind eternity; With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us For the work of ministry. Dismissal *Priest* Let us bless the Lord. People Thanks be to God. Postlude An act of Spiritual Communion may be found at messiahmb.org under the "Library" tab. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Province of Alexandria

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Province of Alexandria (Egypt). In the Diocesan Cycle we pray for Bishop Gadsden Retirement Community near Charleston.



THIS IS OUR VIRTUAL BIRTHDAY CAKE.



ADDENDUM

Here is the text for the Quartet's Anthem

All Who Hunger Gather Gladly Tune: "Holy Manna" from The Southern Harmony All who hunger gather gladly; holy manna is our bread. Come from wilderness and wand'ring, here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.

Taste and see the grace eternal, taste and see that God is good. All who hunger, never strangers, seeker, be a welcome guest. Come from restlessness and roaming, here, in joy we keep the feast. We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.

Taste and see the grace eternal, taste and see that God is good. All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread. Come from loneliness and longing, here in peace we have been fed. Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude.

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Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993)

Next Sunday, August 9th

we will offer a *complete* service of the Holy Eucharist in **TWO PARTS**.

Part One is to view our liturgy on YouTube as you currently do but at an earlier time to allow you to drive to the chapel.

Part Two begins as you go to the back parking lot at 11:00 and point your car toward the black metal staircase. The remainder of the service (Prayer of Consecration and Distribution of consecrated Bread) will be broadcast to the safety of your car radio from the top of the stairs. After communion is delivered to your car and a prayer is said, you may return home.

The sacrament will be delivered to your car by a person wearing a mask and gloves. The consecrated bread has been wrapped to protect it and consigned to the freezer for two weeks to guarantee safety.