

*The Sundays after Pentecost 2021*



*Grace Episcopal Church  
401 Pendleton Street  
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*The Right Rev. Frank Logue,  
11th Bishop of the Diocese of Georgia*

*The Rev. Kit Brinson, Rector*

*Mike Taylor, Church Musician and Choir Director*

**The Procession** *(on insert)*

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

**People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**The 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** *(all standing)*

**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. (S 280)**

**The Collect of the Day** *(on insert)*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**The First Lesson** (*The people may be seated..*)

Reader: A reading from \_\_\_\_\_ (*on insert*)

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

**The Psalm** (*on insert- said in unison*)

**The Second Lesson** Reader: A reading from \_\_\_\_\_ (*on insert*)

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

**The Sequence Hymn** (*standing*) (*on insert*)

**The Holy Gospel** (*remain standing*)

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

**The Sermon** (*seated*)

(*silence follows the sermon*)

**The Nicene Creed** (*read in unison*)

**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. 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.**

**The Prayers of the People** *The Leader and People pray responsively*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "**Lord, have mercy.**"

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in need of our prayers, especially \_\_\_\_\_ Carolyn, Lauri, Kenneth, Debra, Rob, Rick, Sally, Chris, Carly, Billie, Doti, Thomas, Frances, Alyssa, Susan, Dedra, Barb, Teal, Lonnie, Allen, Tom, Sara, Edgar, Johnny, Madelyn, Denny, Rachel, C.J., Zachary, Lauren and Shary, give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially Ted and Jake, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are not able to worship with us, that they may feel connected to the Body of Christ, especially Jo, Una, Gloria, Dot, Jacque, and Shary, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Kit Brinson, Boykin Clarke, and Jeris Tyre, that they may feel our love and prayers, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

We commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

### **The Concluding Collect**

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.**

*The priest says:*

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**

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

People: **And also with you.**

### **The Announcements**

### **The Offertory (*sung*)**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures here below;  
Praise him above ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

### **The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In the fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon his disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth;

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*The Sanctus (sung)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*(The people stand, sit or kneel)*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom..

All this we ask through you Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**



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.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said*

***Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us, Alleluia, let us keep the feast.”  
(Eight-fold Alleluia)***

### **The Communion of God's People**

*All visitors, who have been baptized with water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and who have been admitted to Communion in their own church, are welcome to share the Holy Eucharist.*

### **The Post Communion Prayer** *(said in unison)* **BCP 366**

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.**

**Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

**The Processional Hymn**

**The Dismissal**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

## July Servers

**July 4th - LEM:** Audrey Jernigan, James Israel **Lector:** Tom Strait **Intercessor:** Gail Walker **Altar Guild:** Audrey Jernigan **Ushers:** Rob Stewart, Debra Strickland **Kitchen Team 5:** (Cynthia Herrin)

**July 11th - LEM:** James Pinckney, Dayton Lang **Lector:** Brian Blount **Intercessor:** Cynthia Herrin **Altar Guild:** James Pinckney **Ushers:** Gail Walker, Benjamin Strait **Kitchen Team 6:** (Ken Taft)

**July 18th - LEM:** Jim Brown, Brandy Holland **Lector:** Larry Purdom **Intercessor:** Rob Stewart **Altar Guild:** Rhonda Blount **Ushers:** James Israel, Brandy Holland **Kitchen Team 7:** (Ann Combs)

**July 25th - LEM:** Ken Taft, Rick Charlett **Lector:** Dayton Lang **Intercessor:** Donna Robinson **Altar Guild:** TBA **Usher:** Jim Brown, Benjamin Strait **Kitchen Team 1:** (Rose Aldridge)

July Vestry Team – Debra Strickland, James Israel, Brandy Holland

## The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost- July 25, 2021

**Entrance Hymn**

*Break thou bread of life*

**LEVAS 146**

**Collect of the Day:** O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **A Reading from 2 Samuel (11:1-15)**

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant."

So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die." The Word of the Lord... **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 14** (*in unison*)

**The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." \* All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.**

**The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, \* to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.**

**Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; \* there is none who does good; no, not one.**

**Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers \* who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?**

**See how they tremble with fear, \* because God is in the company of the righteous.**

**Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, \* but the Lord is their refuge.**

**Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! \* when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.**

### **A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians (3:14-21)**

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen  
The Word of the Lord... **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn**      *O love, how deep, how broad, how high*      **H 448**

### ***The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (6:1-21)***

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

**J**esus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough

bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

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

**Procession**                      *I come with joy to meet my Lord*        **H 304**

**Announcements:** August 1st First Sunday Luncheon – Quarterly Statements available

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