

Service of HOLY COMMUNION

Renewed Ancient Text

Twentieth Sunday in Pentecost October 18, 2020

Processional Hymn #362 [1982 Hymnal]

All Standing

THE ACCLAMATION

The People standing, the Celebrant says this or a seasonal greeting

Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. *People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant and People pray

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 SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Then follows the Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

MATTHEW 22:37-40

THE KYRIE

The Celebrant and People pray

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

or

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

The Gloria or some other song of praise may be sung or said, all standing.

The Gloria S280 [1982 Hymnal]

All Standing

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays the Collect.

Set us free, loving Father, from the bondage of our sins, and in your goodness and mercy give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Collect Hymn #574 [1982 Hymnal]

All Standing

THE LESSONS

One or more Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

A Reading from the Book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed:

² "I will go before you and level the exalted places,

I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron,

³ I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

⁴ For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen,

I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me.

⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides me there is no God;

I equip you, though you do not know me,

⁶ that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me;

I am the LORD, and there is no other.

⁷I form light and create darkness; I make well-being and create calamity; I am the LORD, who does all these things.- *Isaiah 45:1-7*

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96

¹Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

² Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

- ³Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!
- ⁴For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.
- ⁵ For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens.
- ⁶ Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
- ⁷ Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
- ⁸ Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!
- ⁹Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!
- ¹⁰ Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!
 Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."
- ¹¹Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
- let the field exult, and everything in it!Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
- before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³ remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵ because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶ And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷ so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸ For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. ⁹ For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰ and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come. – 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

The Word of the Lord.

All Standing

THE GOSPEL

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. ¹⁶And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away. - *Matthew 22:15-22*

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON
The Rev. Marc Steele

THE NICENE CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For Foley Beach., our Archbishop, and Julian Dobbs, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of the Anglican Diocese of the Living Word and St. George's Anglican Church. Today, in our Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for ADLW Office Staff; Brenda Dobbs, William Reynolds, Deacon Phil Shade, Korleen Steele, Rev. Marc Steele and for Volunteers in our Churches.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for those celebrating their birthday this week; Teegan and Barbara

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service especially our President, Donald and our Governor, Phil.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity especially Dorene, Jack, Barbara & Family, Trevor, Carly & Baby, Matt, Liz & Baby, Larry, Dominick, Frances, Dakota, Wendy, Chrissy & Family, Joey, Keri, Joe and Matthew.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

O Almighty God, who in your wrath sent a plague upon your own people in the wilderness, for their obstinate rebellion against Moses and Aaron; and in the time of king David, sent a plague of pestilence that killed seventy thousand, but remembering your mercy spared the rest: Have pity upon us miserable sinners who now are visited with great sickness and mortality; and in the same way that you then accepted an atonement and commanded the destroying Angel to cease from punishing, so may it now please you to withdraw from us this plagues and grievous sickness.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, especially Raymond and David, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

The people may now add their own prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

The Celebrant concludes

Heavenly Father grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

The Deacon or other person appointed says the following

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence

The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

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 Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 JOHN 2:1-2

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your spirit.

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the

majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O LORD,

and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O LORD,

People And of your own have we given you.

1 CHRONICLES 29:11, 14

Offertory Hymn #567 [1982 Hymnal]

All Standing

THE SURSUM CORDA

The People stand

The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up 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, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new.

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

THE SANCTUS

Sanctus S125 [1982 Hymnal]

All Standing

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

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

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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

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

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your 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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Celebrant and People together pray

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 FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People together may say

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,

but in your abundant and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up

the crumbs under your table;

but you are the same Lord

whose character is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,

so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,

and to drink his blood,

that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,

and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

The following or some other suitable anthem may be sung or said here

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

grant us your peace.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn #328 [1982 Hymnal]

All Standing

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father,
We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn #365 [1982 Hymnal]

All Standing

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the Name of Christ

People Thanks be to God.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In Loving Memory of David Greaves by Stanley Greaves, Jr.

In Loving Memory of Raymond V. Winters by Mary Kipp

In Thanksgiving by Barbara Raczynski

BIRTHDAY PRAYERS ARE OFFERED FOR:

Teegan Linke – October 18

Barbara Raczynski – October 23

REMEMBERING OUR PARISH HOMEBOUND

Eva Stout Rose Morgan Elsie Samuelson Mark Archer

Al Tosi Smitty and Tina Smith Stan Greaves, Jr.

THIS WEEK AT ST. GEORGE'S

Sunday Twentieth Sunday in Pentecost

9:00 AM Holy Communion [Church and Live Stream]

11:30 AM Vestry Meeting

Tuesday

10:00 AM Food Pantry [by appointment]

6:30 PM Beginner's Group {EH]

8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous Speaker [EH]

Wednesday

10:00 AM Ladies' Coffee Connect [Zoom]

7:00 PM Evening Prayer [Church]

7:00 PM AA Men's Big Book - CLOSED [EH]

Thursday

8:00 AM Morning Prayer [Conference Call]

12:00 PM Food Pantry [by appointment]

5:00 PM Music Practice

6:00 PM Ladies' Coffee Connect [Zoom]

Friday

8:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous [EH]

Saturday

8:00 AM St. Mary and St. Timothy Worship

1:00 PM Music Practice

5:00 PM St. Mary and St. Timothy Worship

Announcements for the Week of October 18, 2020

Flowers on the Altar

We have two open dates for flower donations. If you would like to have flowers on the Altar on November 1 and/or November 15, please contact Cindy Weiler or the Parish Office. Flowers may be offered in memory of a loved one or in Thanksgiving for God's many gifts or a special occasion.

Master the Mortgage – Next Sunday

The final Sunday of each month is designated as "Master the Mortgage Sunday." Please use either your offering envelope with "mortgage" written on the back of it or the green-edged Mortgage Fund envelope [be sure to add your name or envelope number].

You may also mail in your donation to the Parish Office (56 Main Street, Helmetta, NJ 08828), or process an electronic payment through your bank's online bill payment system or use the donation link on our website: www.helmettachurch.com.

We are Here for You!

Please do not hesitate to call or email your Vestry contact or the Parish Office with any needs. Office hours are Monday – Thursday 9 AM – 2 PM or you may email office@helmettachurch.com if there is anything we can do to support you. Please continue to practice health safety. God hears your prayers from everywhere. Your Vestry and parish staff are praying for you.

Morning Prayer from Anywhere!

Join us for Morning Prayer on Thursdays, at 8:00 AM by PHONE! Dial 425-436-6376 when the phone system answers enter 814307# and that's it! You can join in the service by going to the web site <u>dailyoffice2019.com</u>. There you will find the complete service in its proper order.

Evening Prayer

Deacon Greg is celebrating Evening Prayer every Wednesday at 7 PM in the church.

We are Grateful for Your Tithes and Offerings

- Use your bank's online bill payment feature. The check will be mailed to St. George's.
- Mail a check to church
- Access St. George's website and select "Contribute." Note there is a 2.8% fee imposed by PayPal. The church will receive \$97.20 from a donation of \$100.

New Life Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry is open Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment for anyone in need. Please contact the Parish Office at 732.521.0169 to make an appointment.

Please visit our parish website for updated calendar information at www.HelmettaChurch.com