THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, OCT. 23, 2022



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Whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

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For the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

They will climb from height to height

And the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

Psalm 84: 3-6

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Rector: The Rev. Catherine D. Hicks The Rev. Tom Hughes, Rector Emeritus

(BCP—Book of Common Prayer, H-Hymnal 1982; S Numbers are the service music found in the front of The Hymnal 1982; WLP-Wonder, Love and Praise)

LEVAS-Lift Every Voice and Sing II)

In the name of Christ, we welcome you to this Church. May those who sorrow find comfort; the weary, rest; the unhappy, joy; the troubled, peace; the stranger, friends; and to all the sense of God's Presence in this holy place. We acknowledge that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Port Royal, the Nandtaughtacund, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of the Rappahannock Tribe.

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude The Lord is in His holy temple St Peter's Choir

Opening Hymn How lovely is thy dwelling place H 517

Opening Acclamation BCP 355

Song of Praise We have come into His house LEVAS 245

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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 Sirach, Chapter 35, verses 12-17.

Give to the Most High as he has given to you, and as generously as you can afford.

For the Lord is the one who repays, and he will repay you sevenfold.

Do not offer him a bribe, for he will not accept it and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice;

for the Lord is the judge, and with him there is no partiality.

He will not show partiality to the poor; but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged.

He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan, or the widow when she pours out her complaint.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84, 1-6, Quam dilecta!

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *
 My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
 my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; * by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! * they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! * whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
 for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, * and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A Reading from Paul's Second Letter to Timothy, Chapter 4, verses 6 - 8, 16-18.

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

I know not where the road will lead H 647 (Sung to Forest Green)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke. Glory to you Lord Christ.

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, `God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, `God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Catherine Hicks

Affirmation

We are not alone; we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating.
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.
We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

The Prayers of the People

Friends in Christ, God invites us to hold the needs of our sisters and brothers as dear to us as our own needs. Loving our neighbors as ourselves, we offer our thanksgivings and our petitions on behalf of the church and the world.

Today we pray for faithfulness, that we trust in God's promises and live in faithful obedience, both as individuals and as the Church. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Today we pray for the leaders of our nation: for our President, for Congress, and for the Supreme Court; for leaders throughout the world who do not know how to create just societies; for all who are suffering from the horrors of war, especially the people in Ukraine; and for those who lack good government, especially for the people of Haiti. We pray for children who do not know the reason for their pain and have no power to change their situations; and for those who serve in the armed forces, especially those on our prayer list, that they may return home

sound in body, heart, and mind when their work is done. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We thank you, Creator, for this amazing Earth, for rich soils, abundant sunshine and rain, and all the foods that you have made for our health and enjoyment. We thank you for clean waters, especially for the Rappahannock River and the Chesapeake Bay. Make us grateful for your gifts. Give us the willingness to protect the Earth in all that we do and share its resources with all in need. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Today we pray for humility, that we glory only in God's forgiving, generous love. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Today we pray for comfort for all those in any need, for health for the sick and food for the hungry. We pray today especially for Sandra Smith, Otis Felts, Parish Swisher, John Whitfield, Roger Key, and all on our prayer list. May they find your healing presence in the care that they receive from their families, friends, and medical professionals. Lord, hear our prayer.

Blessed are those who have fought the good fight and have passed through the grave and gate of death into the joy of your eternal kingdom. May we live in fervent expectation of joy together with them in your house forever. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, draw us closer to you, that the whole world may be one with you as you are one with us in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin BCP 360

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

BCP 830 #51/431

Larson/Stebbins

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Enriching our Worship

PresiderThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PresiderLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider

humankind.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Presider and People

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

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The Presider continues
Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all,

your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said:
"Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:
"Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues
Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon these gifts of bread and wine
that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.
Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of
hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with [blessed, and] all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP 364
The Communion of the People of God	

Communion Hymn I come with joy H 304

Post-Communion Prayer BCP 365

The Blessing

May there always be infinite acres of sky above us.

May there always be the story of the earth beneath us.

May there always be the song of the air between us.

And may the love that shook creation from God's hand,

Shake us alive,

That we may walk in God's way,

Now and always.

And the blossing of God. Eather, Son and Holy Spirit has

And the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you for ever.

Dismissal

Resources:

Prayers of the People

<u>Intercessions for the Christian People</u>, Gail Ramshaw, ed. <u>Feasting on the World, Liturgies for Year C, Vol 2</u>, Kimberly Bracken Long, ed.

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers

Affirmation: <u>Daily Prayers for All Seasons</u> (United Church of Canada, 1994.

Today's blessing is by Roddy Hamilton, from <u>A Heart for Creation</u>.

Annoucements

Welcome to St Peter's. May you find God's love present with you in this place and return here often to worship. The communion bread is gluten free. All are welcome at the Lord's table.

The offering plates are in the back next to the doors. Your gifts help support God's work through this church. Mail - PO Box 399, Port Royal, VA 22535. online - https://news.churchsp.org/onlinegiving Meeting ID: 869 9926 3545 Passcode: 889278

Happy Birthday Allison D'Aguilar (Oct. 23), Sydney Davis (Oct. 26)

Youth Group meets today at 5PM. We'll start out in the Parish House.

-Oct. 23, Worship, On YouTube at 11AM. https://youtu.be/uvxZ0TcM620

Compline will take place tonight in the church at 6:30PM in conjunction with the Youth Group meeting. All are welcome to attend in person. There will be no online Compline tonight.

-Oct. 24, Monday Morning meditation 6:30am https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87980716417?pwd=UHlxNE1JYlQ1TGh6N 25oYTBxRURwQT09 Meeting ID: 879 8071 6417 Passcode: 790929

Trip to National Museum of African American History, Tues, Oct. 25. The group will be riding the train to DC. Those who have signed up please check with Catherine if you have questions about the trip.

Bible Study Wed. Oct 26, 10am-12pm. Parish House.

Coming up in November

<u>All Saints Sunday, Nov. 6</u>. Please email Catherine by Monday, Oct. 31 with the names of those who have died in the past year that you would like to have remembered on All Saints.

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Prayer List

Lydia O' Neil, John Hess, Roger Key, Charles McGuire, Brad Volland, Cornesha Howard, Tommy Segar, John and Toni Faibisy, Linneth Feliciano, Thom Guthrie, Vivian McDonald, Mike and Marilyn Newman, Bill Wick, Barbara and Boyd Wisdom

Sandra Smith, Otis Felts (friend of Johnny Davis), Paris Swisher (friend of the Hughes), The Glasgows (friends of the Felicianos), Randall Clingenpeel, Mrs. Watson (Linneth Feliciano's mother), John Whitfield (Laura Carey's son), Ann Pyle (Carolyn Duke's mother), J.T. Moriarty (Hicks' friend), Harvey Yarus (friend of Tom Kramer), Patty Reno (cousin of Tom Kramer), Joanne Wilkerson and Jimmy Davis, Julie Davis (sister, brother and daughter of Johnny Davis), Lois Christie, Rosie Dowdy, Bill Lauck, Nathaniel Schakenberg, Martha Oldham (Mike Newman's sister), Jonathan Coleman (Cleo Coleman's son), Anthony Bowman, Dylan Puryear (BJ's grandson), Ruth Smith, Joyce Smith (Laura Carey's sistersin-law), Orville Watson (Linneth Feliciano's brother), Gloria Jewell, Kathryn, David and Bobby Hill (Lydia O'Neil's family), Lorena McElwain, (friend of the Pogues), Odessa Davis, Kelly Paterino, G. Lee Baldwin, Linda Oliver, Pat Crenshaw (Brad Volland's cousin), Joan Pemberton (Brad Volland's aunt), Anna Haug, Albert Barnett (Andrea's uncle), Scott Crabtree (Eunice Key's brother), Louise Chapman (Barbara Segar's cousin), Dot Wright, Carolyn and Butch Delhagen (Newman relatives), Mary Lawrence Hicks (Catherine and Ben Hicks' daughter), Lola Delbridge, (Catherine's mother), Tommy Hicks and the Reynolds family, Rodney C. Johnson (Hicks' friend), Charlene Schakenberg, (Becky Fisher's mother)

Serving in the Armed Forces

PJ Koons	Scott Estes	Joseph George
Cliff Lance	Steven Lee	Greg Merkl
Alexis Rye	Michael Hobbs	Alex Long