

Suggested daily Readings for the third week after Pentecost: June 11– June 15

Mon.	Rom. 1:1-15	Psalms 77, [79]	Matt. 17:14-21
Tue.	Rom. 1:16-25	Psalms 78:40-72	Matt. 17:22-27
Wed.	Rom. 1:28 – 2:11	Psalms 81, 82	Matt. 18:1-9
Thurs.	Rom. 2:12-24	Psalms 85, 86	Matt. 18:10-20
Fri.	Rom. 2:25 – 3:8	Psalms 91, 92	Matt. 18:21-25
Sat.	Rom. 3:9-20	Psalms 136	Matt. 19:1-12

Please note that every third Sunday the open collection will go towards the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

The Kearney Center is asking for kind donations of Coffee, Coffee Creamer, Sugar, Grits, Oatmeal, and Seasonings, Salt and Pepper. These items are always needed. Kindly donate.

View from the Hill

*Worry is like a distant hill
We glimpse against the sky.
We wonder how we ever will
Get up a hill so high.*

*Yet, when we reach the top, we see
The roadway left behind
Is not as steep and sheer as we
Have pictured in our mind.*

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

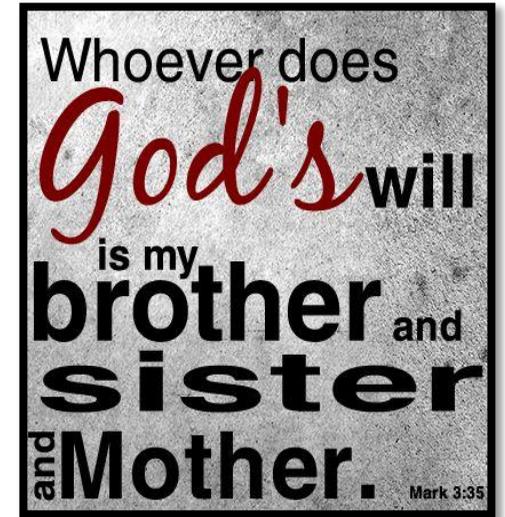
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 10, 2018

10:00 a.m.



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From the Rector's Desk

Saying Cruel things

I believe that we ought to be collectively outraged at the cruel things that are being publicly said sometimes, and even in the hearing of children. Undoubtedly and unquestionably there is a coarsening of our rhetoric, and tragically some among us feel the more caustic and bombastic we appear, it affords us some sort of advantage over those who do not share our opinions. I shudder to think what we can expect as a society, as we get closer to the November elections. Maybe in the realm of politics, such vilification is a necessary evil, for doing otherwise may result in concessions that could determine the outcome of a contest.

When however, this kind of disdain creeps into family relationships, then I know we have crossed a red line. A recent news story detailed the awful words that were penned by two children at their mother's passing! The obituary expressed sentiments I do not care to dignify nor repeat in this column. So how low can we go? Cruel things are being said to infants well before they could even grasp the nuances of the language process. What is equally tragic is that these little ones are prone to repeat what they have heard, thus destroying their innocence. Maybe it will have to take Christians like ourselves to condemn this kind of lewd behavior in the strongest possible terms, in order for decency to be restored. Failing that, more of the basic norms that govern our society will continue to erode. Something tells me that we Christians should begin in our families and serve notice that anti-social behavior will not be countenanced – certain things will not be said, and inappropriate language will not be tolerated.

I continue to be appalled at the vile and vicious things that are being said about our womenfolk in particular, with fat shaming as a milder form of ridicule. The tendency to disparage and dehumanize, has reached alarming proportions. Friends, we have to remind each other that we are all created in the image and likeness of a God who only creates what is good, with all of us being precious in his sight, regardless of creed, class or sexual orientation. I repeat, every human being is precious in God's sight and is loved by him. Jesus left us in no doubt about this all-encompassing love, that our good and gracious God holds in heart for his creation.

Let me remind you of an incident from the gospels where the so-called righteous attempted to go after a woman of easy virtue. This woman (some believe it was Mary Magdalene) had bought an expensive item of perfume and sought to anoint Jesus prior to his arrest, death and burial. The Pharisee who was entertaining him in his home at the time, said within himself, that Jesus could not be a true prophet otherwise he would have known what kind of woman was touching him! To which Jesus replied – "LEAVE HER ALONE". He looked beyond her human failings and saw her desperate need for love, care and attention.

Shall we seek to do the same, reminding ourselves that none of us is perfect or good and at the same time, endeavor to stop saying cruel things to and about each other?

Fr. Hugh+

THANK YOU – Thanks so much to the Hospitality Committee for preparing today's fellowship.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE – The Committee will be on summer vacation from June 24th to August 4th. Members wishing to provide light fare will be responsible for setup, serving, and clean-up. Please continue to sign-up on the chart on the kitchen door. The Committee wishes everyone a wonderful and safe summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the altar are offered to God in Thanksgiving for the blessed birthday of Junious Brown by his family.

June 11 – Vestry Meeting in the Brooks Room at 6:00 p.m.

June 12 – Said Mass at 12:15 pm.

June 14 – Said Mass at 12:15 p.m.

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT – Bible Study Group meets Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Brooks Room. The readings for this Wednesday will be 1 Samuel 15:34 – 16:13, 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, [11-13], 14-17 and Mark 4:26-34.

GOOD NEWS OUTREACH MINISTRY – Please remember to bring a food item from the following list: boxed pasta, grits, oatmeal, snacks, broths, soups, spices, baking mixes, flour, sugar, canned fruits & fruit cups. Place items in food gift box in Parish hall. We will bring forward the parish's gifts of food at the offertory the first Sunday each month giving thanks and asking God's blessing upon those who will receive them.

CHOIR NEWS – There will be rehearsal every Sunday morning at 9:15 am until further notice.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 17 – Father's Day celebration hosted by the Episcopal Church Women.

June 17 – African-American Genealogy meeting from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

June 26 – Fourth Tuesday Dinner Service at Grace Mission from 5-7:15 p.m. Please be there no later than 5:00 pm. We need five individuals. Call Dawn Freeman at 850-509-2656 to sign up.

June 30 – Breakfast Service at Grace Mission. It is our turn to serve. We need to be there by 8:30 am and we will probably be done about 10:00 am. Please let Dawn Freeman know by responding to ddfremman@hotmail.com.

July 1 – Discipleship Gathering in the Brooks Room at 1:00 pm.

July 4 – Office closed for Independence Day.

HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO

Serving today Sunday, June 10

Acolytes:

Charles Hruda, **Crucifer**
Hollis Sams, **Torch Bearer**
Tyler Sams, **Torch Bearer**
Gospel Book Bearer

Chalice Bearers: James Fort, John Grayson
Lectors: Simone Hruda, Zollie White II
Charlie Clark
Greeters: Elizabeth Humes, Sharal Jugger
Ushers: Elizabeth Humes, Sharal Jugger
Vestry: Akachi Anwuri
Organist: Monique Alleyne

Serving next Sunday, June 17

Acolytes:

Daniel Erefah, **Crucifer**
Abigail Erefah, **Torch Bearer**
Quinton Laurie, **Torch Bearer**
Collin Laurie, **Gospel Book Bearer**

Chalice Bearers: Alexis McMillan, Laureatte Scott
Lectors: Collin Laurie, Quinton Laurie,
Abigail Erefah
Greeters: Linda Billups, Nadira Sams
Ushers: Delores Lawson, Lauren Sapp
Vestry: Linda Dilworth
Organist: Monique Alleyne

June Altar Guild:

Delois Brown Shonna Laurie Delores Grayson Anna White
Cassandra Grayson Dorothy Wesley Karen Goodlett Lauren Sapp

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PEACE AND HEALING



Jean Hyche-Jackson, Jo Ann Robinson, Ophelia and Robert Scarbough, Dorothy and Eugene Wesley, Rosalyn Greene, Rose Douglas, Jewel Robinson, Williema Jackson, Joseph Wiley, Carl Murray, Rudolph Hinds, Cynthia Hinds, Alexes Parker, Robert Roulac, Karen Hardy Clark, Ella Woodbury, Charles Daniels, Joseph Gentle, Brandi Leland, Kenrick Baynes, Jessie Laurel, Hattie Olivia Scott, Rev. Canon Dr. David J. Weidner, Ella Brown Albright, Catherine Rand, Richard Corpening, Tyrone Gayle, Clifford Willabus, Al Wehner, David Johnson, Mecie White, Barbara Lee, Sharon Car, Sam Oliver Sr., Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Dr. Derek Spencer and Bryant Harvard.

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Father, you have made all people with eyes to see you at work in the world, ears to hear you cry out when right suffers wrong, when justice is brought low. Give to the people of our nation courage to stand up for goodness and right-doing in the face of an oppressive spirit, and courage to believe we may restore, in accordance with your gracious will, a light to enlighten the nations and the people with your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen*

Instrumental Prelude Monique Alleyne, organist

Opening Prayer

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart [and especially the hearts of the people of this land], that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Processional Hymn **A174, We Have Come Into this House** *Worship Him*

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation **355**
The Collect of the Purity
Gloria
Collect for the Day
The Lessons 1 Samuel 8:4-11, [12-15], 16-20, [11-14-15]
Psalm 138
2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:1
Gradual Hymn **A317 v 1-2, Breathe On Me, Breath of God** *Trentham*
The Holy Gospel Mark 3:20-35 The Reverend Hugh Chapman
Sequence Hymn **A317 v 3-4**
The Sermon The Reverend Hugh Chapman
The Nicene Creed **358**
The Prayers of the People Form IV **388**
Confession of Sin and Absolution **360**
The Peace May the peace of the Lord Nolan
May the peace of the Lord bring, Joy, Comfort, Hope, Rest, Joy
May the peace of the Lord surround you
May the peace of the Lord go with you

Offertory Give Me a Clean Heart
 Doxology & Procession **L56**, Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow Hatton

Presentation of the Offering – prayer to be said

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit, a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presentation Hymn **L65**, Bless the Lord Crouch
 The Great Thanksgiving **361**
 Sanctus
 The Lord’s Prayer
 The Breaking of the Bread **364**
 Fraction Anthem
 The Invitation

HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Hymn 1 **A456**, My Faith Looks Up To Thee Olivet
 Communion Hymn 2 **A451**, I Need Thee Every Hour Need
 Meditation Hymn
 Post Communion Prayer **365**
 Birthday, Anniversary, Travel Prayers
 Announcements
 Benediction
 Recessional Hymn **A341**, Blest Be The Tie That Binds Dennis
 Instrumental Postlude
 Dismissal

A=African American Hymnal (ivory)
L=Lift Every Voice & Sing Hymnal (black, green, red)

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL

*We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, **include your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.***

OUR VISION is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.

OUR MISSION is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.



HOLY COMMUNION: All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God’s blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY! 

Eboni Jackson (6/10), Anne Powell (6/11), Debralee LaSeur (6/12), John Grayson (6/13), EN Jackson (6/14).

Birthday Prayer

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace, which passeth understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE SPIRIT OF WORSHIP

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer (Ps. 19:14).