# ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS





# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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#### HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO

Instrumental Prelude

#### **Opening prayer**

Almighty God, giver of every good gift, we pray that you would look graciously upon the Diocese of Florida, and so guide the minds and hearts of the Nominating Committee as they prayerfully select candidates for the election of the next bishop of this diocese, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries: Guide also the minds and hearts of the candidates who will come before the Nominating Committee, that this process will be a time of discernment and growth in their lives and ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen* 

## Processional Hymn A187 v1&2, Hail to the Lord's anointed SHEFFIELD

 Hail to the Lord's Anointed, Great David's greater Son! Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, To set the captive free; To take away transgression, And rule in equity. 2. He comes with succor speedyTo those who suffer wrong;To help the poor and needy,And bid the weak be strong;To give them songs for sighing,Their darkness turn to light,Whose souls, condemned and dying,Are precious in His sight,

# THE WORD OF GOD

The people standing, the Celebrant says Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

#### **People** And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### The Collect for Purity

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*.

#### Gloria

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.* 

The Celebrant says to the people

	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you
Celebrant	Let us pray.

#### **Collect for the Day**

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

#### The Lessons

The people sit

#### A Reading from the Book of Samuel (1:15:34-16:13)

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here? And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here. "He sent and brought him

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in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 20 (Read responsively by whole verse)

1. May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble,\* the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;

**2**. Send you help from his holy place\* and strengthen you out of Zion;

# 3. Remember all your offerings\* and accept your burnt sacrifice;

**4.** Grant you your heart's desire\* and prosper all your plans.

5. We will shout for joy at your victory and triumph in the Name of our God;\* may the Lord grant all your requests.

**6.** Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his anointed;\* he will answer him out of his holy heaven, with the victorious strength of his right hand.

# 7. Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses,\* but we will call upon the Name of the Lord our God.

**8.** They collapse and fall down,\* but we will arise and stand upright.

9. O Lord, give victory to the king\* and answer us when we call.

Glory be to the Father And to the Son And to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen*.

## A Reading from St. Paul's Epistle to the Corinthians (5:6-10,[11-13], 14-17)

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view; we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The Word of the Lord.

# *People* Thanks be to God.

# Gradual Hymn I cannot tell

 I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship, should set his love upon the sons of men, or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wanderers, to bring them back, they know not how or when. But this I know, that he was born of Mary when Bethl'em's manger was his only home, and that he lived at Nazareth and laboured, and so the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is come.

# The Holy Gospel

# Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark(4:26-34)

# People Glory to you Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how.

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The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.

#### *People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### Sequence Hymn

I cannot tell

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**2**. I cannot tell how silently he suffered, as with his peace he graced this place of tears, or how his heart upon the cross was broken, the crown of pain to three and thirty years. But this I know, he heals the broken-hearted and stays our sin and calms our lurking fear and lifts the burden from the heavy laden; for still the Saviour, Saviour of the world is here.

#### Sermon

Mrs. Leah Wiley Lead Organizer, CAJM Tallahassee

#### **The Nicene Creed**

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

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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 Form I

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

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

# 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 *Michael* our Presiding Bishop, *Samuel* our Bishop, *Hugh* our Rector, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

# Lord, have mercy.

For our President, *Joseph, Kamala* our Vice President, *Rocky* our District Superintendent of Schools, for the leaders of the nations and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

# Lord, have mercy

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

# Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, 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 those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, 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, especially those on our sick and homebound list as well as those who are in need of prayers and healing:

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## For those at home:

Fr. Laughton Thomas, Sharal Jugger, Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, Sam Oliver Sr., James Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie R. White, Rev. Ralph Griffith, Leonel Jones, Charles Walton, Joan Jackson Taylor, Howard Vincent Lewis, Franklyn Bramble, Christine Seymour, Mary Ann Nottage, Kove Lawson, Cynthia Holland, Genevie Vaughn, Margaret Edwards, Genevieve Chapman and Harriet Bowen.

## For those in the care of the Doctor:

Joycelyn Stephens, Jo Ann Robinson, Williemae Jackson, Lauren Sapp, Dr. Derek Spencer, Marva Davis, Delores Brown, Hattie Olivia Scott, Alexis Shermise Brown, Jasmine Hartin, Shevette Newkirk, Rudolph & Marva Griffith, Delois Abraham, Stella Harris, Pamelia Harris Williams, Klcey Scott, Erica Scott, Renrick Alleyne, Jeffery Adams, Mayleen Rosheuvel, Ena Mason, Darlene Sheppard, Merrick Winston Edwards, Devonia Sears, Landon Dyre, Brittany Lee, Fr. William Guthrie, Herma Watson Taylor, Fred Hickman, Barbara Gruden, Carolyn Allen, Lamar Nottage, Cn. Nelson Pinder, Diane Martindale, Pennela Chapman and Juliette Mentore and Viola Griffin.

## For those on the front lines in the fight against the Coronavirus Pandemic:

Especially all doctors, nurses, scientists, and our own, Dr. Shaun Laurie, Dr. Nwamaka Onyeozili, Dr. Ross Howard McMillan, Dr. Ciara Grayson, Dr. Alaine Sharpe, Zuri A. White and Cheston Williams.

# For those in the Military:

Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson, Thandi Williams and you may add your own .petitions, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all Lovers, may they love as Jesus has loved us, 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, 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.

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For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, 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.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of *St. Michael* and with all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

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# **Confession of Sin**

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept

Minister and people

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 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 Celebrant then says to the people* 

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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#### A498, Let There Be Peace on Earth

Pax Tecum

1. Peace, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin?

The blood of Jesus whispers peace within.

2. Peace, perfect peace, by thronging duties pressed?

To do the will of Jesus, this is rest.

The Peace

3. Peace, perfect peace, death shadowing us and ours?

Jesus has vanquished death and all its powers.

**4.** Peace, perfect peace, our future all unknown?

Jesus we know, and he is on the throne.

5. It is enough: earth's struggles soon shall cease,

and Jesus call to heaven's perfect peace.

Offertory Organ Interlude

#### DoxologyH650, Praise God from Whom All Blessings FlowHatton

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. *Amen*.

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.

#### The Great Thanksgiving

*Eucharistic Prayer A* (remain standing)

*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.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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.

### Celebrant and People

#### Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, 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 or kneel)

#### Celebrant continues

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.

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.

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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 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 for ever. *Amen*.

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

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which 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, forever and ever. *Amen.* 

# The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

# Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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 A171, Majest	y, Worship His Majesty	MAJESTY
Majesty Worship His majesty Unto Jesus, be all glory Honor, and praise	So exalt, lift up on The name of Jesus Magnify, co	5
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Kingdom authority Flow from His throne Majesty His majesty Worship His majesty Jesus who died, now glorified King of all Kings

Unto His own His anthem raise

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#### Meditation Hymn

#### Steal Away to Jesus

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

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

#### Announcements

# Recessional Hymn A481 v1&2, Onward! Christian soldiers ST.GERTRUDE

1 Onward, Christian soldiers!	<ol><li>At the sign of triumph</li></ol>
Marching as to war,	Saran's host doth flee;
With the cross of Jesus	Oh, then, Christian soldiers,
Going on before.	O to victory!
Christ the royal Master,	Hell's foundations quiver;
Leads against the foe;	At the shout of praise;
Forward into battle,	Brothers, lift your voices,
See, His banners go	Loud your anthems raise. [Chorus]!

#### Chorus:

Onward, Christian soldiers! Marching as to war, With cross of Jesus Going on before

#### Dismissal

Celebrant Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

#### People Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude

# In Thanksgiving

The family of Junious Brown offers flowers in thanksgiving to God for his birthday and for God's gracious mercy in saving him during his fall, and healing his body, mind and spirit. God blessed him to celebrate his 81st birthday. To God be the Glory.

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# WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

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!

John Grayson (6/13), Edgar Jackson (6/14), Camille Usher (6/17), Chris & Sherika White (6/13), Lennie & Debralee Helfand (6/15), Pierre & Laureatte Scott (6/18).

# **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.* 

#### **Anniversary Prayer**

God our Father, who made men and women to live together in families: we pray that marriage may be held in honor; that husbands and wives may live together faithfully, according to their vows; and that members of every family may grow in mutual love and understanding. In courtesy and kindness, so that they may bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ; for His name's sake. *Amen.* 

## From the Rector's Desk

## Revisiting Electronic Worship – a look at the Worship Idea

The idea of Christian worship presupposes persons gathering in a certain location –.St. Paul the Apostle wrote: 'do not ignore the assembling of yourselves together." "Gathering" online is a useful substitute, but we must not pretend that that captures the worship experience. Here's what we must bear in mind always as Episcopalians. Gordon Latrop puts it this way – "a religion that rejoices that God has come among us in the flesh (incarnation) cannot support the idea that pixels on a screen, are just as real or even more real than an actual place where human beings gather together – bodily."

Our worship then is not simply a meeting or just a casual gathering together of persons – no. It is that moment where we believers experience the Christ in word and sacrament, and in communion with each other. For the very reason, private masses were banned by the church a long time ago, forbidding priests from celebrating the Eucharist on their own – there must be at least one person present! Yes, we certainly read our bibles at home. We can read a sermon or listen to or watch a sermon that have been recorded. Zoom has allowed us to pray together. Often times however, there is such discord, meaning voices competing with each other, that even the prayer loses its efficacy, the effect it ought to have on us. The truth of the matter - worship requires that we be together. That is why we do not baptize ourselves, baptism always requires at least one other person, the baptizer. We need a living voice to pronounce the word of absolution in our ears. We need the laying of hands as we are being prayed for in baptism, confirmation, ordination, and healing. These sacraments cannot be enacted at a distance. They belong in a physical, celebrating assembly with a presider and others who serve beside him or her.

Then there is the age-old practice of reaching out to those who cannot be physically present – our shut-ins – the church accommodates them by having either the priest or a Lay Eucharistic Minister visit with them; they represent the ecclesia, the body of Christ, whenever they visit with such a person. For that reason, the blessed sacrament is not left in a bag at the door.

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#### Rector's page continues

So we need to regather, carefully but certainly, for the worship experience requires that of all of us. We thank God for the emergency electronic means we were able to use, but now we need to return to the biblical understanding of worship and remind each other of the importance of what we do, when we gather for worship. Just maybe, another pandemic will doubtlessly come, and we will have to prepare to pray and sing at home and yes close our churches. We may have to return to the telephone or digital media to communicate. Until then, let us do what we are accustomed to here at SMAA, sharing fellowship, sharing the beautiful hymns of our church and yes, sharing the kiss of peace with each other.

Fr. Hugh+

# **Capital Campaign Prayer**

Most gracious Lord Jesus Christ and generous source of all abundance, in gratitude we invite you to expand our hearts as we seek to increase and improve this place of worship, peace, healing, forgiveness, outreach, service and fellowship. May all who enter here be restored and strengthened on their journey of faith. Guide us Heavenly Father, that we may make manifest your vision of a beloved and enlightened church and community, and be a shining example of the living presence of the Holy Spirit. May we and our Capital Campaign be a channel of God's abundant grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. *Amen*.

## **Collect for the Coronavirus Pandemic**

Almighty God, Heavenly Healer, we bring to you all who are affected by our present pandemic; for the infirm and infected, the anxious and afraid. By your power defend us and heal us. Let us see one another not as vectors of infection, but at opportunities for love and service, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Mon.	Num. 9:15-23;10:29-36	Psalm 8o	Matt. 17:14-21
Tue.	Num. 11:1-23	Psalm 78:1-39	Matt. 17:22-27
Wed.	Num. 11:24-33(34-35)	Psalm 119:97-120	Matt. 18:1-9
Thurs.	Num. 12:1-16	Psalm 83	Matt. 18:10-20
Fri.	Num. 13:1-3, 21-30	Psalm 88	Matt. 18:21-35
Sat.	Num.13:31-14:25	Psalm 87, 90	Matt. 19:1-12

Suggested daily Readings for Season after Pentecost: June 14- June 19