

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 15, 2021

10:00 a.m.

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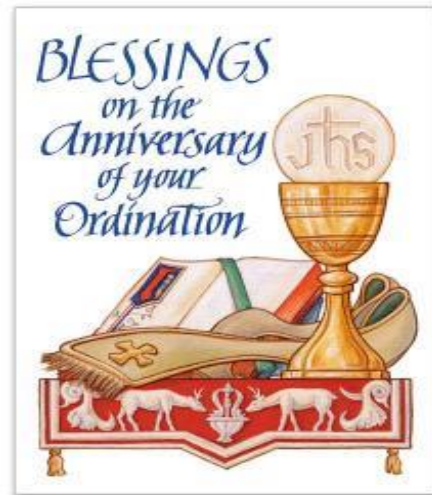
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HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO

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

H423 v1, Immortal Invisible

St. Denio

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

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

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts, in your divine providence you have appointed various orders in your Church: Give your grace, we humbly pray, to all who are called to any office and ministry for your people; and so fill them with the truth of your doctrine and clothe them with holiness of life, that they may faithfully serve before you, to the glory of your great Name and for the benefit of your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people sit

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah (6:1-8)

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Psalm 23(Read responsively by whole verse)

1. **The Lord is my shepherd; ***
I shall not be in want.
2. *He makes me lie down in green pastures **
and leads me beside still waters.
3. **He revives my soul ***
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
4. *Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; **
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
5. **You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; ***
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
6. *Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, **
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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 the Epistle to the Ephesians (5:15-20)

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn **H559 v1, Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us.** *Duice carmen*

1. Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee,
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.

The Holy Gospel

Gospeler **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (6:51-58)**

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus said, I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

After the Gospel the Reader says:

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sequence Hymn **H559 v3, Lead us, heavenly father, lead us** *Dulce carmen*

3 Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy;
love with every passion blending
pleasure that can never cloy;
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

Sermon

The Reverend Hugh Chapman

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 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 IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit especially our sick and those in need of peace and healing.

For those at home:

Fr. Laughton Thomas, 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, Harriet Bowen. Livy Hitchcock and Sheila Gonzles.

For those in the care of the Doctor:

Joycelyn Stephens, Jo Ann Robinson, Williamae 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, Pamela 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, Cn. Nelson Pinder, Pennela Chapman, Camilla Stapleton, Elijah Malone, Carl Maxwell, Fr. Ranfurly Brown, Al Lawson Jr., Bill Bush and Kendra Nixon.

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 and Thandi Williams *and You may add your own petitions* give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled, and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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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 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.**

The Peace

May the Peace of the Lord

Nolan

May the peace of the Lord bring: Joy, Love, Comfort, Hope, Rest, Life

May the peace of the Lord surround you. May the peace of the Lord go with you. *Amen.*

Offertory

L88 v1, My faith looks up to thee

Palmer

1. My faith looks up to thee,

Thou lamb of Calvary,

Savior divine!

Now hear me while I pray,

Take all my guilt away;

O let me from this day

Be wholly thine.

Doxology**A650, Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

Hatton

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.

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 169 v1-3, Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Haywood

1. What a fellowship, what a joy divine,

Leaning on the everlasting arms;

What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,

Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain:

Leaning, leaning,

safe and secure from all alarms;

Leaning, leaning,

Leaning on the everlasting arms.

2. O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,

Leaning on the everlasting arms;

O how bright the path grows from day to day,

Leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]

3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear,

Leaning on the everlasting arms;

I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, [Refrain]

Meditation Hymn

My Tribute

Couch

Eugenia Chapman, soloist

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 H 643 v 1&3, **My God how wonderful thou art.**

Windsor

1. My God, how wonderful thou art,
thy majesty how bright,
how beautiful thy mercy seat,
in depths of burning light!

3. How wonderful, how beautiful,
the sight of thee must be,
thine endless wisdom, boundless power,
and awful purity!

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Our Condolences

Cassandra Grayson and her family are mourning the loss of David Jackson Sr. (her brother), who died as a result of COVID (pneumonia complications). A graveside service will be held on Friday, August 20, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. The wake occurs on Thursday 19, 2021 from 5:00-7:00 pm at Sunrise Funeral Home, Sanford, Florida. May David rest in peace and rise in glory.

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!

Yolanda Bogan (8/18), Loretta Anwuri (8/20), Linda Billups (8/21).

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 Diocese Mourns

We sadly learned yesterday that Archdeacon Mark Richardson of Jacksonville and his family are mourning the passing of Diane (his wife), who died after contracting the Delta variant, even though she was vaccinated. Do keep the family in prayer.

From the Rector's Desk

Here is another article shared with me recently, entitled – Why Lord why?

Have you ever wondered why God doesn't seem to intervene in our lives "before" the crisis hits? Why doesn't He just send a check in the mail instead of waiting until our cupboards are bare, and the eviction notice shows up? Better yet, why doesn't He just stamp out world poverty, so no one goes to bed hungry? And what about cancer, for which we have not really found the cure. Look at the devastating consequences it brings to bear on families – on children in particular. So yes, why does He wait so long to answer our prayers and not stamp out once and for all, corruption of every kind, the abuse of children and the exploitation of human labor? Christians console themselves with the thought that we live in a sinful world and until Jesus returns, we can expect even worse things happening! There is a song played on the radio these days, where the same questions are asked of God, and He supposedly answers – I created you to help me change the world – help me change the lives of men and women. No I won't force anyone to serve me for the gift of free will is still yours – it is called a choice. Of course, there is a price to be paid for bad choices – the consequences of sin. Let's be clear, it is not God's will that we suffer pain or loss. On the contrary, the word says (John 10:10) "I am come that they might have life and have it more abundantly." Yes, because of God's abundant love for us His creation, he helps us pick up the broken pieces of our lives, the broken dreams, the broken relationships and go on living victoriously – every day.

As I celebrate

Today I am taking the opportunity, to celebrate early, the 42nd anniversary of my ordination to the sacred priesthood. It has been quite a journey, but to God be the Glory.

Listening Session

Tomorrow, it will be our turn to host another Listening Session as we continue to prepare ourselves for the election of the ninth (9th) Bishop of Florida. It will be an in-person affair in the Fellowship Hall with all the various protocols in place. Do join us at 6:30 pm, if you are able to.

Fr. Hugh+

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Prayer for the Hurricane Season

Almighty and everlasting God, Lord of Heaven and Earth: Grant unto us thy suppliant people, protection against hurricanes, earthquakes, and other calamities; that in tranquility of weather we may rejoice in the comfort we desire and may always make right us of thy bountiful goodness through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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.*

Suggested daily Readings for Season after Pentecost: August.16 to August 21

Mon.	Judges 17:1-13	Psalm 106:1-18	John 5:19-29
Tue.	Judges 18:1-15	Psalm.210	John 5:30-47
Wed.	Judges18:16-31	Psalm 119:145-176	John 6:1-15
Thurs.	Job 1:1-22	Psalm 131	John 6:16-27
Fri.	Job 2:1-13	Psalm 140	John 6:27-40
Sat.	Job 3:1-26	Psalm 137:1-6	John 6:41-51