

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 19, 2021

10:00 a.m.

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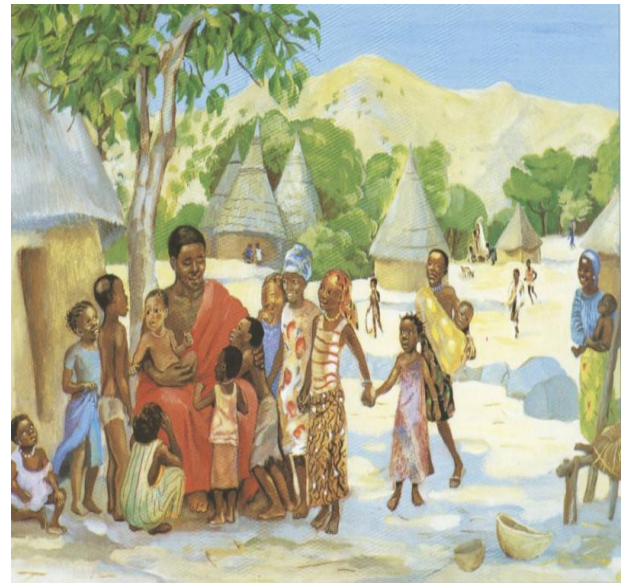
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HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO

Instrumental Prelude

Opening prayer

God our Father, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Processional Hymn *A120 v1, Joyful, Joyful, we adore You*

Hymn to Joy

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore You,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You,
Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

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

Grant, O Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people sit

A Reading from the Book of Proverbs (31:10-31)

A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls. She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come.

She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Psalm 1 (*Read responsively by whole verse*)

**1. Happy are they who have not
walked in the counsel of the wicked,*
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor
sat in the seats of the scornful!**

2. Their delight is in the law of the Lord,
and they meditate on his law day and night.*

**3. They are like trees planted
by streams of water, bearing fruit
in due season, with leaves that do not
wither;* everything they do shall prosper.**

4. It is not so with the wicked; they are like
chaff which the wind blows away.*

**5. Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright
when judgment comes,* nor the sinner in the
council of the righteous.**

6. For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked is doomed.*

Glory be to the Father

and to the Son

and to Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning,

Is now,

And ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

A Reading from the Letter of James (3:13-4:3, 7-8a)

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

A289 v1, Jesus Shall Reign

Duke Street

1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does its successive journeys run,
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

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 III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Michael our presiding bishop, Samuel our Bishop, our Rector Hugh and all priests, and deacons.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble especially those who are on our sick and homebound list as well as those who are in need of prayers 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, Harriet Bowen. Livy Hitchcock, Sheila Gonzales, Reubina Gomez, Scott Allen and Zollie White Sr.

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, Kacey 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 and Sheila Hickman, Barbara Gruden, Carolyn Allen, Cn. Nelson Pinder, 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.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs, and those of others.

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 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

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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

Organ Interlude

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, 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 1

A307, His Name is Wonderful

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His name is wonderful

His name is wonderful

His name is wonderful

Jesus my Lord

He is the mighty King

Master of everything

His name is wonderful

Jesus my Lord.

He's the Great Shepherd

The Rock of all ages

Almighty God is He

Bow down before Him

Love and adore Him

His name is wonderful

Jesus my Lord

Communion Hymn 2

A308 v1, No Not One

Harper Memorial

1. There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus –

No, not one! No, not one!

None else could heal all our soul's diseases –

No, not one! no, not one!

Refrain:

Jesus knows all about our struggles,

He will guide till the day is done;

There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus –

No, not one! no, not one!

Meditation Hymn

Organ Interlude

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 *A590 v1&2, We're Marching to Zion* Marching to Zion

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| <p>1. Come, we that love the Lord,
and let our joys be known.
Join in a song with sweet accord,
join in a song with sweet accord,
and thus surround the throne,
and thus surround the throne.</p> | <p>2. The hill of Zion yields,
a thousand sacred sweets,
before we reach the heav'nly fields,
before we reach the heav'nly fields,
or walk the golden streets,
Or walk the golden streets. [Refrain]</p> |
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Refrain:

We're marching to Zion,
beautiful, beautiful Zion.
We're marching upward to Zion,
the beautiful city of God.

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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!

Angela Bruton (9/19), Shonna Laurie (9/22), Al Lawson Jr.(9/23), Genevieve Chapman (9/24),

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.*

Roof Repairs continue

Our contractors have had a difficult time working on the church's roof because of the weather. They will need some dry days to get the reshingling done and the mounting of the new steeple when it gets here.

From the Rector's Desk

Here is yet another reflection shared with me recently that I am happy to pass on:-

Our Writer asks – Is God Real?

As a Christian, we praise God for His goodness, grace, and mercy. However, as soon as something tragic happens in our lives, the question that pops into our head is – why did God allow this misfortune or mishap to occur in my life? If our faith is easily shaken, then we may even begin to wonder if God is real and whether he truly loves us! Some of us become so desperate to have our prayers answered immediately, that we attempt to bargain with God – Lord if you heal my child, I will never miss church again! If you grant me that promotion, I will pay my tithes from now on! If you save my marriage, I will seek to be faithful the rest of my days! So when our prayers are not answered on time, or the manner in which we thought they should have, we just blame God. God does not want us to bargain him – who are we to think so presumptuously! Rather He wants us to trust Him, for His knowledge is infinite and He knows what is best for us and will answer our prayers according to His gracious will.

So friends, disabuse your minds of that idle thought, asking whether God is real – He is!! And if you are patient enough, He will reveal His purposes for your life. Pray for more faith to not only believe God, but also trust Him completely. God never said, “Understand Me – no he says, “Trust Me”. For those of us wondering about what He wants us to do, remember God will not send us on a mission that he will not accompany us on. The word says in John 15:7 – “if you remain in Me and My Words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.” Sometimes God says wait, so you and I have to have the faith that says He knows what He is doing.

Fr. Hugh+

An Invitation from St. Philip's, Jacksonville

Our sister church of St. Philip's Episcopal in Jacksonville is seeking our support as they apply for a historical grant. The application review is scheduled for Tuesday September 28, 2021, at 9:00 am. That meeting will be held in R.A. Gray Building Auditorium, First Floor (500 South Bronough Street). As the applicant is announced, all those in support of that application, are invited to stand. It will be good if we can support the Philippians by attending on that day.

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 use of thy bountiful goodness through Jesus Christ our Lord. *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 as opportunities for love and service, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Suggested daily Readings for Season after Pentecost: Sept. 20 to Sept. 25

Mon.	Esther 4:4-17	Psalm 80	Luke (1:1-4); 3:1-14
Tue.	Esther 5:1-14	Psalm.78:1-39	Luke 3:15-22
Wed.	Esther 6:1-14	Psalm 119:97-120	Luke 4:1-13
Thurs.	Esther 7:1-10	Psalm [83],116,117	Luke 4:14-30
Fri.	Esther 8:1-8, 15-17	Psalm 88	Luke 4:31-37
Sat.	Hosea 1:1-2:1	Psalm 87, 90	Luke 4:38-44

139th anniversary Celebrations

After much deliberation, our parish vestry decided that the 139th celebration should be modest and just include the Eucharist on Sunday September 26th. Our special preacher for the occasion is the Rev. Dave Killeen, former rector of St. John's Episcopal Church. The vestry has also commissioned a survey that is to be distributed. Kindly complete it at your earliest convenience, so that we have an idea of how many persons will be in attendance. We ask that each parishioner (including the children) make a special donation to SMAA as we prepare to celebrate:- children \$13.90), Adults (139.00) and those of greater means (1390.00). Most of all, pray that we shall have a safe and joyful celebration.