The Second Sunday after Pentecost

St. John's Episcopal Church, Ithaca NY

June 19, 2022 Year C

10:00 AM

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PreludeChristus, der ist mein Leben (Christ is my life)Johann Gottfried Walther (1684–1748)

*Processional Hymn Sing praise to our Creator (Christus, der ist mein Leben) Hymnal #295

*Opening Acclamation

*Collect For Purity

*Gloria

The Collect of the Day

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here,

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1 Kings 19:1–15a

Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus."

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 42

Quemadmodum

a prayer to the God of my life.

me,

- 1 As the deer longs for the water-brooks, * so longs my soul for you, O God.
- 2 My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; * when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
- 3 My tears have been my food day and night, * while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God?"
- 4 I pour out my soul when I think on these things: * how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,
- 5 With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, * among those who keep holy-day.
- 6 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? * and why are you so disquieted within me?
- 7 Put your trust in God; * for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.
- 8 My soul is heavy within me; * therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.
- 9 One deep calls to another in the noise of your cataracts; * all your rapids and floods have gone over me.

10 The Lord grants his loving-kindness in the daytime; * in the night season his song is with 11 I will say to the God of my strength,"Why have you forgotten me? * and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?"

- 12 While my bones are being broken, * my enemies mock me to my face;
- 13 All day long they mock me * and say to me, "Where now is your God?"
- 14 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? * and why are you so disquieted within me?
- 15 Put your trust in God; * for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.
- Psalm 43

Judica me, Deus

- 1 Give judgment for me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people; * deliver me from the deceitful and the wicked.
- 2 For you are the God of my strength; why have you put me from you? * and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?
- 3 Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, * and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling;
- 4 That I may go to the altar of God, to the God of my joy and gladness; *

and on the harp I will give thanks to you, O God my God.

5 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? * and why are you so disquieted within me?

The Epistle Reading

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

*The Gospel Reading

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

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" -- for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

6 Put your trust in God; * for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Galatians 3:23-29

Luke 8:26–39

The Rev. Megan Castellan

The Sermon

*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.

*The Prayers of the People

In thanksgiving for all the gifts which have enriched our lives, we offer our prayers to God, responding to each petition by saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

+ That we may sing to the Lord with joyous voices, praising God with our whole heart, and mind, and soul, proclaiming the good news of our salvation; for this we pray. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

+ In thanksgiving for Jesus' sacrifice on the cross, overcoming for us evil, sin, and disobedience; for this we pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ In thanksgiving for those who are generous to the poor, who support the work and ministry of the Church with gratitude, and who reveal the Christian message through their awareness of God's abundance; for this we pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ That we may honor the office of bishop, priest, and deacon, and those who live an ordered life in obedience to God's call of shared servanthood; for this we pray. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

+ That those who are physically or emotionally ill may call upon the Lord to be with them in their sickness and relieve them from all distress; for this we pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ That those preparing to graduate, marry, begin a new job, join the military, or experience other life transitions may know God's enduring presence wherever they are led; for this we pray. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

+ That the dead may rest in the company of the saints; let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Confident in the One whose Spirit sends grace and peace throughout the world, let us continue our prayers and thanksgivings.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, and especially for

Theodore	Edith	Wes	Mark	Ceril
Carol	Stanley	Sara	Debra	
Lorraine	Dave	Linda	Shirley	
John	Joan	Jonathan	Janice	
Loraine	Jean	Park	Louise	

For those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week: Jesse Richardson, Roy Ives

Confession Of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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 Peace**

Please remain in your pew. Wave!

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877–1933)

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

Announcements & Welcome

Offertory Sentence

Organ Interlude Idyl, Op. 27, No. 4

***Presentation Hymn** Thine arm, O Lord (*St. Matthew*)

*The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you Celebrant: Lift up your hearts We lift them to the Lord **People:** Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: continuing: 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:

Holy, holy, holy (*Sanctus*)

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had fallen into sin and became 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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, Jesus 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:

Christ has died Christ is risen Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Expanded Language Prayer A

Hymnal #S-129

Hymnal #567

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 Christ.

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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Fraction Anthem Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)

The Communion of the People

All people are invited to the Lord's Table.

Eucharist will be distributed in the form of the bread with wine available for intincture. Please come forward in a single line in the center aisle to receive. Wait to remove your mask until you return to your seat, and then replace it after consuming the Sacrament. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request

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.

Blessing

***Recessional** Dear Lord and Father of mankind (*Repton*)

Dismissal

Postlude Italian Hymn

Liturgical Ministers: Jerome Fung, Kang Meng, Gwen Freeman Virtual Vergers Sara VanLooy, Matthew Sanaker

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Gordon and Jane Ryan in gratitude for their children and grandchildren.

This morning we welcome guest Organist Mark A. Radice

Hymnal #653

Albert Travis (b. 1940)

Hymnal #S-161

St. John's extends a warm welcome to visitors! May you experience the Lord's presence during worship. Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering plate and stay for coffee in the parish hall after the service.

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If you need pastoral assistance, or just want to reach out to Mtr. Megan, please call her at 315-757-0251, or e-mail <u>mtrmegan@stjohnsithaca.org</u>.

If you would like to contribute to our ministries, you may make a secure donation at <u>https://stjohnsithaca.org/donate/</u>. Thank you!

Sign up for our weekly newsletter The Fledgling by contacting the church office.

Please Join Us:

Coffee Hour has resumed in the Parish Hall following the service. Please continue to wear your mask when you are not actively eating or drinking.

Morning Prayer weekdays at 9:30 on Facebook and YouTube.

Office of Evening Prayer on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm to offer our prayers and read and meditate on God's holy word.

Forward Day by Day for May, June, and July is available on the table in the rear of the church.

Flowers: If you wish to give Sunday flowers in memory of a loved one, please call the church office (607-273-6532).

LARGE PRINT EDITIONS OF THE SERVICE ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX.

Please join in daily prayer and consider:

- Asking God for a vision for how you and people you know can become more like Jesus
- Asking God to revive the bodies, hearts, and minds of Episcopalians as we seek to become the Beloved Community
- Asking God for new relationships with people who are also seeking to know God's love
- Asking God's forgiveness for the times we have served empire and self instead of Christ
- Asking God to inhabit our hearts anew

A Season

of Prayer For Revival

All Episcopalians are invited to join together for a season of prayer for the Church. In this dedicated season, we pray for The Episcopal Church, who by God's grace is becoming a new and re-formed church, to be the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement, a church that looks, acts, and loves like Jesus and who follows his way of love.

Starting June 12, The Episcopal Church and Forward Movement extend an invitation for a season of prayer. Your prayers will offer the foundation for The Episcopal Church's gathering of the General Convention, a time of worship, prayer, legislative action, and community building. You can find these prayers, along with additional resources, at *https://iam.ec/ensopr*. Drawn from the Book of Common Prayer, these prayers will be posted daily on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, #seasonofprayer.

PRAYERS FOR WEEK 2

Sunday, June 19 The Second Sunday after

Pentecost Almighty and most merciful God, grant that by the indwelling of your Holy Spirit we may be enlightened and strengthened for your service; 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.*

Monday, June 20

All praise and thanks to you, most merciful Father, for adopting us as your own children, for incorporating us into your holy Church, and for making us worthy to share in the inheritance of the saints in light; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Tuesday, June 21

O God, by whom the meek are guided in judgment, and light riseth up in darkness for the godly: Grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what thou wouldest have us to do, that the Spirit of wisdom may save us from all false choices, and that in thy light we may see light, and in thy straight path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Wednesday, June 22

Grant us, Lord, the lamp of charity which never fails, that it may burn in us and shed its light on those around us, and that by its brightness we may have a vision of that holy City, where dwells the true and never-failing Light, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Thursday, June 23

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Friday, June 24 *The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist*

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to thee, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly thine, utterly dedicated unto thee; and then use us, we pray thee, as thou wilt, and always to thy glory and the welfare of thy people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Saturday, June 25

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquillity the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*