The Third Sunday after Pentecost

St. John's Episcopal Church, Ithaca NY June 26, 2022 Year C

10:00 AM

* Indicates please stand

Hymns preceded by **L** (or with a red line on the hymn boards) will be found in *Lift Every Voice and Sing*. All other hymns will be found in the blue Hymnal.

Prelude Herzlich lieb hab' ich Dich, O Herr (I cherish Thee, O Lord), Op. 65

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877–1933)

*Processional Hymn Let Saints on earth in concert sing (Dundee)

Hymnal #526

*Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

*Collect For Purity

*Gloria Hymnal #S279

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; 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 2 Kings 2:1–2, 6–14

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

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

Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20

- 1 I will cry aloud to God; *
 I will cry aloud, and he will hear me.
- 2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; *
 my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire;
 I refused to be comforted.
- 11 I will remember the works of the Lord, * and call to mind your wonders of old time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your acts * and ponder your mighty deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is holy; * who is so great a god as our God?
- 14 You are the God who works wonders * and have declared your power among the peoples.

Voce mea ad Dominum

- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your people, * the children of Jacob and Joseph.
- 16 The waters saw you, O God; the waters saw you and trembled; * the very depths were shaken.
- 17 The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered; * your arrows flashed to and fro;
- 18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings lit up the world; * the earth trembled and shook.
- 19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great waters, * yet your footsteps were not seen.
- 20 You led your people like a flock * by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

The Epistle Reading

Galatians 5:1, 13-24

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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

*The Gospel Reading

Luke 9:51-62

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

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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

The Sermon Matthew Sanaker

*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

Through the offering of our prayers, we witness love for our neighbors, and concern for one another. Our response to each petition is, "Lord, hear our prayer."

+ For the ability to discern that which harms the soul from that which enlightens the spirit, so that we may choose spiritual goods over material wealth, and the way of Jesus over earthly pleasures; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

- + For the passion to follow Christ with our whole heart and soul and mind, accepting his invitation to share in his ministry and to be spent in the service of his word; let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.
- + In thanksgiving for those who give their lives in the service of others: peacemakers throughout the world, volunteers in soup kitchens and shelters, vestry members, Peace Corps workers, and all who serve through non-profit organizations; let us pray to the Lord.

 Lord, hear our prayer.
- + For the Church, that she may be known and respected for her work with poor and rich, young and old, weak and strong, and all who seek her sustenance; let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.
- + That we may stand firm in our faith, rooted in Christ's death and resurrection, bearing witness to his incarnate life, and proclaiming the promises of God's reign; let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.
- + For those who have died in the service of their country, that they and all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, may rest in peace; let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

Upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, let us add to these prayers, either silently or aloud.

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:

Mary Arlin, St. John Faulkner

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!

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements & Welcome

Offertory Sentence

Organ Interlude Flutes, *Organ Book*, No. 4 (1907–1991)

Jean Langlais

*Presentation Hymn Pass me not, O gentle Savior

L Hymnal #139

*The Great Thanksgiving

Expanded Language Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.People: And also with youCelebrant: 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 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)

Hymnal #S-125

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.

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)

Hymnal #S-161

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 Christ is made the sure foundation (Westminster Abbey) Hymnal #518

Dismissal

Postlude Alla danza, *Water Music* (1685-1759)

George Friderick Handel

Liturgical Ministers: J. Bowen, M. Johnson, Mike Roman

Virtual Vergers Mike Roman, Sara VanLooy

This morning we welcome guest Organist Mark A. Radice

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Richard Comstock in memory of Alice Comstock

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.

HYMNS

Let Saints on earth in concert sing (*Dundee*) Hymnal # 526

- 1 Let saints on earth in concert sing with those who work is done; for all the servants of our King in heaven and earth are one.
- 2 One family, we dwell in him, one Church, above, beneath, though now divided by the stream, the narrow stream of death.
- 3 One army of the living God, to his command we bow; part of the host have crossed the flood, and part are crossing now.
- 4 E'en now by faith we join our hands with those that went before, and greet the ever-living bands on the eternal shore.
- 5 Jesus, be thou our constant Guide; then, when the word is given, bid Jordan's narrow stream divide, and bring us safe to heaven.

Pass me not, O gentle Savior Levas II # 139

1 Pass me not, O gentle Savior, Hear my humble cry, While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.

Refrain:

Savior, Savior, Hear my humble cry; While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.

2 Let me at a throne of mercy Find a sweet relief; Kneeling there in deep contrition, Help my unbelief. [Refrain]

- 3 Trusting only in Thy merit, Would I seek Thy face; Heal my wounded, broken spirit, Save me by Thy grace. [Refrain]
- 4 Thou the Spring of all my comfort, More than life to me, Whom have I on earth beside Thee? Whom in heav'n but Thee? [Refrain]

Christ is made the sure foundation (*Westminster Abbey*) Hymnal 518

- 1 Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one; holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.
- 2 All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high, in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody; God the
- in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.
- 3 To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today; with thy wonted loving-kindness hear thy servants as they pray, and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.
- 4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ever with the blessed to retain, and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.



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If you would like to contribute to our ministries, you may make a secure donation at https://stjohnsithaca.org/donate/. 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).

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