

# Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

September 13, 2020

## The Word of God

Opening Hymn

*No. 637*

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!  
What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed!  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;  
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,  
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;  
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

Words: K. in John Rippon's *Selection*.  
Music: *Lyons*, Johann Michael Hayden

*All standing, the Celebrant says*

People Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
And blessed be his kingdom now and forever. Amen.

*The Celebrant says*

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 in Excelsis**

*The following is said, all standing*

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 Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*                The Lord be with you.

*People*                    And also with you.

*Celebrant*                Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### **Old Testament Lesson**

**Exodus 14:19-31**

A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was

there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

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

### **Psalm 114**

- 1 Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, \*  
    the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
- 2 Judah became God's sanctuary \*  
    and Israel his dominion.
- 3 The sea beheld it and fled; \*  
    Jordan turned and went back.
- 4 The mountains skipped like rams, \*  
    and the little hills like young sheep.
- 5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? \*  
    O Jordan, that you turned back?
- 6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? \*  
    you little hills like young sheep?

7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, \*  
at the presence of the God of Jacob,  
8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water \*  
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

### **The Epistle**

**Romans 14:1-12**

*A Reading from the Letter to the Romans*

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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

### **The Holy Gospel**

**Matthew 18:21-35**

*Priest*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
*People*        Glory to you, Lord Christ

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the

reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

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

## **The Sermon**

Fr. Mark Chattin

## **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**

*All remain standing.*

Each of us is finally accountable to God. So let us pray, saying, “Lord, we are in need of your mercy, have patience with us.”

Lord, we acknowledge that we all sin against our brothers and sisters in Christ. Forgive us even as we forgive each other. Help us to be merciful to each other in the Church

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

*People: Have patience with us.*

Lord, we acknowledge that we desire to repay violence with violence. Open our hearts to forgive even those who commit evil acts towards us and those we love.

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

*People: Have patience with us.*

Lord, we acknowledge we do not always appreciate the diversity of your creation. Teach us to live in peace with each other and with your creation. Help us to live mercifully with our world.

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

*People: Have patience with us.*

Lord, we acknowledge that we do not love our neighbors as you love us. Forgive us for placing ourselves as judge over others when judgement belongs to you alone. Help us to accept the great mercy you choose to show others.

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

*People: Have patience with us.*

Lord, we pray for those whose lives are broken by evil. Because of your mercy we believe that whatever befalls them, they belong to you; you care for the brokenhearted. Help us to share your love with all those who are hurting.

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

*People: Have patience with us.*

Lord, we remember those who died in violence. We remember those men and women of the armed services, innocent bystanders, first responders, and even those we have called enemies. The dead belong to you, O Lord. Even as we seek your mercy for ourselves, judge all those who have died with mercy.

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

*People: Have patience with us.*

*Celebrant adds a concluding collect*

### **Confession of Sin**

*All kneel.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A period of silence is observed.*

*Celebrant and People together say*

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 Priest 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.

*All stand.*

## The Peace

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

## Announcements

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.  
*Ephesians 5:2*

## Offertory Hymn

Hymnal 411

O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee proclaim!  
And all that is within me join to bless his holy Name!

O bless the Lord, my soul! His mercies bear in mind!  
Forget not all his benefits! The Lord to thee is kind.

He will not always chide; he will with patience wait;  
his wrath is ever slow to rise and ready to abate.

He pardons all thy sins, prolongs thy feeble breath;  
he healeth thine infirmities and ransoms thee from death.

He clothes thee with his love, upholds thee with his truth;  
and like the eagle he renews the vigor of thy youth.

Then bless his holy Name, whose grace hath made thee whole,  
whose loving-kindness crowns thy days: O bless the Lord, my soul!

Words: James Montgomery, para of Psalm 103:1-5  
Music: *St. Thomas (Williams)*, melody Aaron Williams, harm. Lowell Mason

## Eucharistic Prayer A

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

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.



*Then, facing the Holy Table, 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.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

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 kneel.*

*The 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.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

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.*

*The Celebrant then continues*

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

*Celebrant and People*

Our Father, who 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,

for ever and ever. Amen.

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence is kept.*

*[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
grant us peace.*

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## **Spiritual Communion**

*A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion*

*Celebrant Let us pray.*

*My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)*

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*Let us pray.*

*The Celebrant and People together say*

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

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

## Closing Hymn

Hymnal 410

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing:  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress;  
praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;  
in his hand he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte  
Music: *Lauda anima*; John Goss

## The Dismissal

*Celebrant*                      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*                              Thanks be to God.

**Notes and Announcements**  
**September 13, 2020**

**PRAYER LIST**

Anglican Cycle of Prayer for the Dioceses of Mumias (Kenya), Yola (Nigeria) and York (England) ...

Diocesan Calendar of Prayer for the Rev. Dcn. Carol Kerbel ...

Parish Calendar of Prayer for for all who set-up and clean-up after our outside Mass ...

For Our sons and daughters in the military Nathan, Kenny, Zach, Jack, Garrett, Willie...

For those Celebrating Birthdays this week Dennis Johnson 09/16;

Father Carmen Viola 09/18; David Danielewicz 09/19;

For those Celebrating Anniversaries this week Mike & Kate Woolford 09/19...

For the Sick, Suffering & Infirm Janis, Veronica, Barbara M., The Caya Family, , Charleen, Denise, , Dan Sr., Melissa, Janet, Bill, Rodney, Stephen, Cheryl, Matt, Lisa, Maryann, Craig, Steve K., Martin, Mark, Lori, Sue J., Tanya, Leslie & Chris, Jeannie, Barbara W., Francis, Lonnie, Kate & Rob, Kulin, Adam & Amanda, Sue, Marlene, Karen, Francine, Joseph, Dot, Renee, Norma, Nick, Justin, Leif, Rob Tracy...

**VIRTUAL COFFE HOUR** - Sundays at 11:00AM on the conference call line at 856-861-3864, pin # 924-821. Call in and join in the conversation with a cup of coffee or tea.

**8:30 A.M. IN-PERSON, OUTDOOR EUCHARIST** - As part of our very cautious reopening plan, we have added a Eucharist on the plaza at 8:30 a.m. This is a simple Communion service, which will follow all guidelines and protocols recommended/required by the diocese. This service will be in addition to our usual Sunday morning live-streamed service at 9:30 a.m.

**VESTRY MEETING** – just a reminder that the September Vestry has been moved to Thursday, September 17th, at 7:30PM. Participants may attend in person at the church, via the Zoom link (look for the invitation later this week), or via the conference call line 856-861-3864, pin # 924-821. (Note: if using Zoom, please also dial into the conference line for audio). Information was e-mailed to all members of the Vestry.

**TRAVELING FROM OUT OF STATE?** The reentering, reopening, reimagining task force of the diocese of new jersey reminds everyone that if you have returned from a state on the NJ travel advisory list, please refrain from attending an in-person worship service until the 14-day quarantine period has ended. Thank you.

**FEEDING FIRST RESPONDERS** – Last month, we once again delivered lunch to the Collingswood Fire and Police Departments to thank them for the continued commitment to serving our community. If you would like to contribute to our next event, please send your donations marked “Feeding First Responders”. Many thanks to all who have already contributed toward this effort. Please keep all our local Police and Fire Departments in your prayers.

**NEW ONLINE GIVING OPTION** – To make it easier for folks to make their weekly offering while we are unable to be together in person, we have set up an online giving option through Vanco. Just follow the link on the Holy Trinity website and send your contribution electronically. (You are still welcome to mail your weekly offering if it is easier for you.) Thank you all for your continued financial support during these challenging times.