



St. Gregory's Episcopal Church  
**THE HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II**  
THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JULY 30, 2017  
10:00 AM

THE REVEREND ANDREW J. SHERMAN, *CELEBRANT & PREACHER*

*Welcome to Saint Gregory's! We invite you to join us in active participation in the worship of God. This leaflet contains the service music and congregational portions of the liturgy taken from the Book of Common Prayer. Hymn numbers are found in the Blue Hymnal 1982. Please turn off all electronic devices including cell phones. The service of worship begins with the music of the organ. Through its power and brilliance, may you feel God's majesty and glory—in its quietness, God's peace.*

THE ORGAN PRELUDE

THE PEALING OF THE BELLS *All stand, as able.*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 388 O WORSHIP THE KING, ALL GLORIOUS ABOVE!

HANOVER

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT

CELEBRANT Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. AMEN.***

*The Celebrant continues*

There is one Body and one Spirit;

PEOPLE ***There is one hope in God's call to us;***

CELEBRANT One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

PEOPLE ***One God and Father of all.***

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE ***And also with you.***

CELEBRANT Let us pray.

**O** God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE WORD OF GOD

*The People are seated for*

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

GENESIS 29:15-28

**L**aban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE ***Thanks be to God.***

1 Give thanks to the LORD and call  
upon his Name; \*  
make known his deeds among  
the peoples.

**2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, \*  
and speak of all his marvelous  
works.**

3 Glory in his holy Name; \*  
let the hearts of those who seek  
the LORD rejoice.

**4 Search for the LORD and his  
strength; \*  
continually seek his face.**

5 Remember the marvels he has  
done, \*  
his wonders and the judgments  
of his mouth,

**6 O offspring of Abraham his  
servant, \*  
O children of Jacob his  
chosen.**

7 He is the LORD our God; \*  
his judgments prevail in all the  
world.

**8 He has always been mindful of his  
covenant, \*  
the promise he made for a  
thousand generations:**

9 The covenant he made with  
Abraham, \*  
the oath that he swore to Isaac,

**10 Which he established as a statute  
for Jacob, \*  
an everlasting covenant for  
Israel,**

11 Saying, "To you will I give the land  
of Canaan \*  
to be your allotted inheritance."

**45b Hallelujah!**

## A READING FROM THE EPISTLE TO THE ROMANS

ROMANS 8:26-39

**T**he Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE ***Thanks be to God.***

*The People stand for*

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 711      *SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD*

*SEEK YE FIRST*

PEOPLE *Glory to you Lord Christ.*

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. "Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

READER The Gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE *Praise to you Lord Christ.*

*The People are seated.*

THE SERMON THE REVEREND ANDREW J. SHERMAN, RECTOR  
*Silence follows.*

## THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

*The Celebrant Says*

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*The candidates unable to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Parents and Godparents, as follows*

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS I present *Naya Marian Reid* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*When all have been presented the Celebrant asks the parents and godparents*

Will you be responsible for seeing that *the child* you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS I will, with God's help.

CELEBRANT Will you by your prayers and witness help *this child* to grow into the full stature of Christ?

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS I will, with God's help.

*Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.*

*Question* Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer* I do.

*Question* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?  
*Answer* I do.

*Question* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?  
*Answer* I do.

*After all have been presented, the Celebrant then addresses the congregation, saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *this person* in *her* life in Christ?

PEOPLE ***We will.***

*The Celebrant then says these words*

Let us join with *her* who is committing *herself* to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

CELEBRANT Do you believe in God the Father?

PEOPLE ***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

CELEBRANT Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

PEOPLE ***I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.***

***He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.***

***He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.***

***He descended to the dead.***

***On the third day he rose again.***

***He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.***

***He will come again to judge the living and the dead.***

CELEBRANT Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

PEOPLE ***I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.***

CELEBRANT Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

PEOPLE ***I will, with God's help.***

CELEBRANT Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

PEOPLE ***I will, with God's help.***

CELEBRANT Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

PEOPLE ***I will, with God's help.***

CELEBRANT Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

PEOPLE ***I will, with God's help.***

CELEBRANT Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

PEOPLE ***I will, with God's help.***

## THE PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*

Let us now pray for *this person* who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*A Lay Reader leads the following petitions.*

LEADER Deliver *her*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

PEOPLE ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

LEADER Open *her heart* to your grace and truth.

PEOPLE ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

LEADER Fill *her* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

PEOPLE ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

LEADER Keep *her* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

PEOPLE ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

LEADER Teach *her* to love others in the power of the Spirit.

PEOPLE ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

LEADER Send *her* into the world in witness to your love.

PEOPLE ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

LEADER Bring *her* to the fullness of your peace and glory.

PEOPLE ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

*The Celebrant says*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. ***AMEN.***

## THE THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

*The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying*

The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE ***And also with you.***

CELEBRANT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

*The Celebrant continues*

**W**e thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. ***AMEN.***

## THE BAPTISM

*The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying*

*Naya Marian, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.***

*Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and says*  
*Naya, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **AMEN.***

*When this action has been completed, the Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over him, saying*  
Let us pray.

**H**eavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon *this* your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised *her* to the new life of grace. Sustain *her*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give *her* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **AMEN.**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Celebrant and People*

***We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.***

THE PEACE

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE ***And also with you.***

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY MEDITATION

THE FLUTE CONSORT

*All stand for*

THE PRESENTATION HYMN 380 *PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW (VERSE 3)*

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## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says*

The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE ***And also with you.***

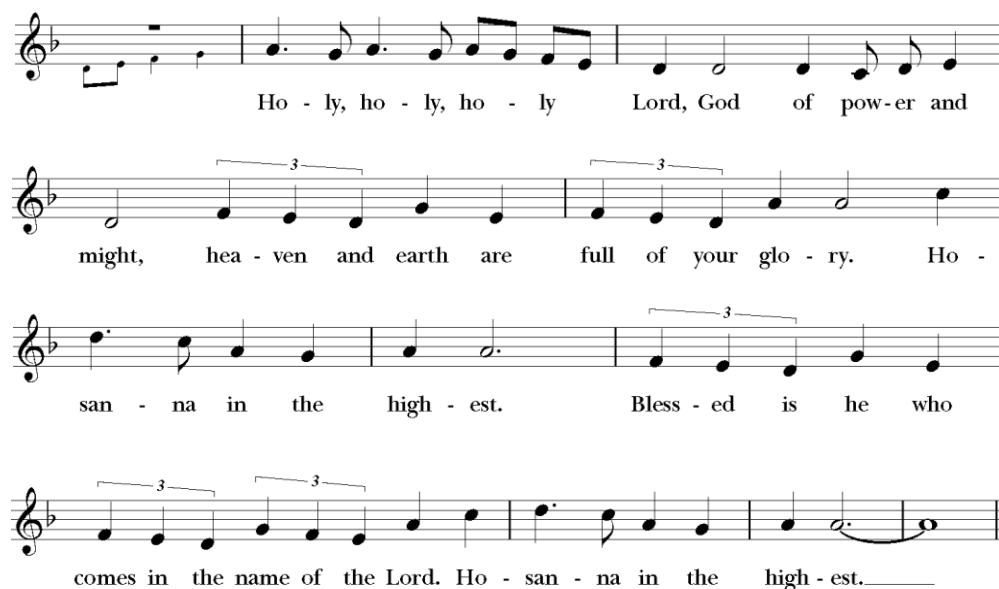
CELEBRANT Lift up your hearts.

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.***

**I**t is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. 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:



**H**oly 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,*

**W**e 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 pray,

**O**ur 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

CELEBRANT Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

PEOPLE ***Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.***

## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**T**he 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 and with thanksgiving.

## THE COMMUNION MEDITATION

THE FLUTE CONSORT

## THE COMMUNION HYMN 335

*I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE*

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## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*After Communion the Celebrant says* Let us pray.

**E**ternal 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 AND DISMISSAL

**T**he wisdom of God, the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. AMEN.

DEACON Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

## THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 615 "THY KINGDOM COME!" ON BENDED KNEE

ST. FLAVIAN

## THE TRUMPETS SHALL SOUND

## THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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*We welcome you to our service of worship! Please join us after the service* for coffee hour in Harris Hall following the service.

*The Choir of St. Gregory's* is on vacation throughout the summer. If you are interested in singing in the "summer choir," please meet in the Organ Gallery each Sunday at 9:50 to help lead the congregation in service music and hymns. We are pleased to have our *Flute Consort, Susan Mannaring, Maria Provost, and Lori Snow*, with us in worship this morning.

**The Reverend Andrew J. Sherman, Rector**  
**The Reverend Dr. R. Craig Burlington, Priest Associate**  
**The Reverend Dr. Emilio Rosalen, Priest Associate**  
**The Reverend Dr. Stephen J. Graff, Deacon**  
**The Reverend Anita Fortino Thorstad, Deacon**  
**The Reverend Dr. Hank Drummond, Clergy Associate**  
**The Reverend Elizabeth Pankey-Warren,**  
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