



The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist with the Prayer for Spiritual Communion

August 30, 2020

Ten o'clock in the morning

The Word of God

Prelude Larghetto Archangelo Corelli

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant

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.

The Collect for the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

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.**

Lesson from Hebrew Scripture Exodus 3:1-15

The Lector says A reading from the Book of Exodus

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, “I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.” When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” Then he said, “Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” He said further, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.”

But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.” But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

The Lector says The word of the Lord. **The People respond** **Thanks be to God.**

A period of silent reflection follows the reading

Psalm 105

The Cantor sings the refrain first, then the congregation repeats.

Robert Hawthorne

God re - mem - bered his
ho - ly word, and
led forth his peo - ple with
glad - ness, ha - le - lu - jah.

Give thanks to the Lord, and call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works. **(Refrain)**

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
Search for the Lord and his strength; continually seek his face. **(Refrain)**

Remember the Marvels he has done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth,
O offspring of Abraham his servant, O children of Jacob, his chosen. **(Refrain)**

Israel came into Egypt, and Jacob became a sojourner in the Land of Ham,
The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful, He made the stronger than their enemies **(Refrain)**.

Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, and dealt unjustly with his servants,
He sent Moses his servant, and Aaron whom he had chosen.
That they might keep his statutes, and observe his laws, Hallelujah! **(Refrain)**

The Epistle Romans 12:9-21

The Lector says A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Lector says The word of the Lord.

The People respond **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? “For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Jenifer M. Chatfield,
Rector

All say together

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 became truly human.

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

Let us pray.

Written by
The Rev. Deacon Mark Dawson

O God of Grace, imbue your Church with your Spirit so we can respond to the needs present in this moment, and so complete the mission you have entrusted into our hands.
O God, guide us with your grace.

O God of Justice, in these times when wise leadership is so needed, give us, your citizens of the Reign of God, the courage to challenge and demand better and best, for all.
O God, join us in your justice.

O God of Mercy, who knows the movement of every creature, remind us of our responsibility to be good stewards of the bounty you have so generously shared with us.
O God, make us of your mercy.

O God of Grace, look over all those on the front lines of fighting this global pandemic; keep the care-givers safe; give wisdom to the researchers and scientists; heal the sick.
O God, guide us with your grace.

O God of Justice, never let us forget that all are welcome at the table around which you gather us, regardless of color or creed, place of birth or point of arrival, knowing that all are welcome.
O God, join us in your justice.

O God of Mercy, who promises comfort to those who grieve and presence to those who celebrate, draw near to those we name before you [*petitions are offered*].
O God, make us of your mercy.

The Celebrant concludes with a collect.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Confession

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. *Amen.***

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. ***Amen.***

The Peace *All stand and greet each other in the name of Christ.*

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All sing the hymn

Hymn 675 vss. 1-3 Take Up Your Cross



1 Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if
2 Take up your cross, let not its weight fill
3 Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and
4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and
5 Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, nor

1 you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with
2 your weak spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your
3 let your fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac -
4 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -
5 think till death to lay it down; for on - ly those who

1 will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.
2 spi - rit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
3 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.
4 bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.
5 bear the cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the Highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the Highest

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all 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

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with blessed Edmund and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

**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 Fraction

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Celebrant The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that if one is unable to actually consume the consecrated bread and wine due to extreme sickness or disability, the desire is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion (BCP, p. 457). When being present at a celebration of the Eucharist is absolutely impossible, this act of prayer and meditation can provide the means by which you can associate yourself with the Eucharistic Action and open yourself to God's grace and blessing.

Celebrant Let us pray together,
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.

Anthem

Consecration

Joseph Garate, *Tenor*

John Ness Beck

*Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.
Take my voice, and let it sing, always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee.
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use every power as Thou shalt choose
Take my will, and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine
Take my heart, it is Thine own. It shall be Thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store
Take myself, and I will be, ever, only, all for Thee.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with your spiritual presence through the body and blood of your son our savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him to you and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Deacon
People

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Fanfare

Jean-Phillipe Telemann

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*The flowers and candles on the Altar today are given to the Glory of God
By St. Edmund's Altar Guild.*

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Annual Fall Fundraiser

Hopefully you all received the email last week asking for your help in getting this year's Fall Fundraiser up and running! Due to the ever present Covid landscape, it will be held on line on Zoom on Sunday September 27th at 5 pm with raffle prizes, goody bags and entertainment. Plus a live auction with some terrific items. Some have already been donated but we need more!

You can donate anything from gift cards, to homemade crafts or foods. If you have a talent you would like to share, whether it be a yoga lesson for someone, or a language lesson, we are looking for creative ideas. Sara E. is part of the fundraising committee coordinating the donations. Her email and phone were included in the email sent out last week. So let her hear from you please! During these challenging times, the fundraiser is even more important in keeping St. Edmund's a vibrant presence in our lives and in the community!

Don't forget to Join us weeknights for *Compline*

The service of *Compline* is offered on the Saint Edmunds Facebook page live Monday thru Friday from 7:30pm-7:45pm. This is a short prayer service found in The Book of Common Prayer (p. 127) meant to provide peace and assurance of God's presence as we begin to settle in for the evening. If you do not have a Book of Common Prayer, download a pdf version here: https://episcopalchurch.org/files/book_of_common_prayer.pdf

Participants in Today's Service

The Rev. Jenifer M. Chatfield, *Celebrant & Preacher*

The Rev. Canon Judith Heffron, *Assisting Priest*

The Rev. Mark Dawson, *Deacon*

The Rev. Heather Blackstone UCC, *Director of Youth Ministry*

Robert Hovencamp, *Organist/Choir Master*

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