



✠ Holy Eucharist ✠

Pentecost XIII (13) Sunday – August 30, 2020

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

When in Our Music God Is Glorified (Michael Burkhardt)

Opening Hymn #450 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. AMEN.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name; through Christ, our Lord. *AMEN.*

Gloria In Excelsis

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

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. AMEN.

Jeremiah 15:15-21 *"Here begins a reading from the Book of Jeremiah"*

O Lord, you understand me. Remember me and take care of me. People are hurting me. Give them the punishment they deserve. You are being patient with them. But don't destroy me while you remain patient with them. Think about me. Think about the pain I suffer for you. Your words came to me, and I ate them up. They made me very happy. I was glad to be called by your name, Lord God All-Powerful. I never sat with the crowd as they laughed and had fun. I sat by myself because of your influence on me. You filled me with anger at the evil around me. I don't understand why I still hurt. I don't understand why my wound is not cured and cannot be healed. I think you have changed. You are like a spring of water that became dry. You are like a spring whose water has stopped flowing. Then the Lord said, "Jeremiah, if you change and come back to me, I will not punish you. If you change and come back to me, then you may serve me. If you speak important things, not worthless words, then you may speak for me. The people of Judah should change and come back to you. But don't you change and be like them. I will make you strong. The people will think you are strong, like a wall made of bronze. The people of Judah will fight against you, but they will not defeat you. They will not defeat you, because I am with you. I will help you, and I will save you." This message is from the Lord.

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

Psalms 26:1-8 *"A portion of Psalm 26 is appointed for today."*

Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered. **Test me, O Lord, and try me; examine my heart and my mind.** For your love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you. **I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful.** I have hated the company of evildoers; I will not sit down with the wicked. **I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, that I may go in procession round your altar,** Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recounting all your wonderful deeds. **Lord, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides.**

Romans 12:9-21

"A reading from the Book of Romans"

Your love must be real. Hate what is evil. Do only what is good. Love each other in a way that makes you feel close like brothers and sisters. And give each other more honor than you give yourself. As you serve the Lord, work hard and don't be lazy. Be excited about serving him! Be happy because of the hope you have. Be patient when you have troubles. Pray all the time. Share with God's people who need help. Look for people who need help and welcome them into your homes. Wish only good for those who treat you badly. Ask God to bless them, not curse them. When others are happy, you should be happy with them. And when others are sad, you should be sad too. Live together in peace with each other. Don't be proud, but be willing to be friends with people who are not important to others. Don't think of yourself as smarter than everyone else. If someone does you wrong, don't try to pay them back by hurting them. Try to do what everyone thinks is right. Do the best you can to live in peace with everyone. My friends, don't try to punish anyone who does wrong to you. Wait for God to punish them with his anger. In the Scriptures the Lord says, "I am the one who punishes; I will pay people back." But you should do this: "If you have enemies who are hungry, give them something to eat. If you have enemies who are thirsty, give them something to drink. In doing this you will make them feel ashamed." Don't let evil defeat you, but defeat evil by doing good.

"The Word of the Lord."

"Thanks be to God."

Gradual Hymn #675 *Take up Your Cross, the Savior Said*

Matthew 16:21-28

"The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew." **"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.”.

“The Gospel of the Lord.” “Praise to you Lord Christ.”

Sermon The Interim Rector

“And now let us join together in reaffirming our faith as stated in the Nicene Creed.”

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 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 (adapted from South Africa Liturgy)

Loving God, people are frightened, and many people are isolated. People are sick, and vulnerable people are dying. We notice how little control we have over what really matters – and that what really matters is loving concern. So, we ask for your comfort and support for those who are frightened. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us Lord Jesus Christ

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Lord Jesus Christ, heal us

Lord Jesus Christ, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Lord Jesus Christ, stay by our side

Be with those who have died from this coronavirus. May they be at rest with you in eternal peace.

May they have eternal rest

Be with the families of those who are sick or who have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Lord Jesus Christ, may they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals, who seek to heal and help those affected and put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Lord Jesus Christ, may they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations in the world. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve.

Lord Jesus Christ; give to our leaders a true concern for your people.

Be with our Presiding Bishop, Michael, and our Bishop, Peter, and all leaders of all faiths, give them wisdom to work with the leaders of the nations, to invest in long term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth

May they know your peace, Lord Jesus Christ.

Wherever we are, at home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from illness or only a few, Lord Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety give us peace.

Lord Jesus Christ, give us peace.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Confession & Absolution

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Response 380 *Doxology*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. **F**or 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. **T**herefore, 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:

Sanctus

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.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O God, **We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.** And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Mark and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the first born of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.*

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion (from South Africa)

Jesus, may all that is you flow into me. May your body and blood be my food and drink. May your passion and death be my strength and life. Jesus, with you by my side enough has been given. May the shelter I seek be the shadow of your cross. Let me not run from the love which you offer But hold me safe from the forces of evil. On each of my dyings shed your light and your love. Keep calling to me until that day comes When, with St. Mark and all your saints, I may praise you for ever. *AMEN.*

The Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

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.

THE BLESSING

Closing Hymn#707

Take my life and let it be

Postlude

Fanfare (William Mathias)

OUR WORSHIP IS OVER, OUR SERVICE BEGINS

** In the spirit of Jesus Christ this church extends a cordial welcome to all persons regardless of age, economic or marital status, gender or sexual orientation.*

INTER RECTOR BOX

If you need to be in touch with Fr. Johan – his cell phone (212) 534-4810 or email Jjohnson@saintmarks.com

Fr. J also has “sanctuary hours” – you can find in the church each weekday morning
(Monday through Thursday from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.)

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CHURCH NOTES

CHURCH DONATIONS - OFFERINGS

Week of 8/2 - \$2,331.67

Week of 8/9 - \$980.00

Week of 8/16 - \$5,187.00

Week of 8/23 - \$9,365.25

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PRAYER FOR DISCERNMENT

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Rector for St. Mark's parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

JOYS & CONCERNS

Scott Carter	John Gundlach	Jorge Bardisa	Nancy Carter
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CHURCH OPEN DAILY

If you wish to come for private prayer or moment of quiet please feel free to come to St. Mark's. We are open Monday – Thursday from 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.; Saturday from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. & Sunday from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY EVENING ZOOM BIBLE STUDY - RENEW YOURSELF IN GOD'S WORD

In these difficult days, come help draw our St. Mark's community together in God's Word. Please consider 'zooming in' to our new unique Bible discussion tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. (remember to start getting on at 6: 55 p.m. in case there are issues). The link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8516509108>. Dean Norm Carroll will lead the gathering, bringing outstanding biblical scholarship in easy-to-understand language. Become a new person through the Word of God.

ST. MARK'S DRIVE-IN CONCERT SERIES FINALE – THIS SATURDAY (September 5)

Drive-in Concert in the St. Mark's parking lot this SATURDAY at 6:15 p.m. **VOCALIST, CELLIST & KEYBOARD:** AMANDA CRIDER, AARON MERRITT & CHRIS TOTH. You will be able to park and hear the music through your car radio OR bring a refreshment (wine and cheese) and a lawn chair - staying socially distant and outside in the St. Mark's Parking Lot. Every Saturday at 6:15 p.m. until September 5. All performers listed at saintmarksftl.com.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK FROM ST. MARK'S

SATURDAY (September 5th) @ 5:30 p.m.: A Zoom Evening Prayer done from the sanctuary – Father J. will officiate and in lieu of a sermon we discuss a current news story from a Christian perspective. (The Final Drive-In Concert in our 5-week series happens immediately afterward) Paul Jones Scripture: 1 Peter 3:8–14a; John 8:31-32.

SUNDAY (September 6th): Fr. Johan will both preach and celebrate. Labor Day Scripture: Sirach 38:27-32A; Psalm 90:1-2, 16-17; 1 Corinthians 3:10-14 & Matthew 6:21-28.