

St. Paul's Church, 166 High St., Newburyport, MA

Sunday, June 28, 2020

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Liturgical Year A, Holy Eucharist Rite II

Organ Prelude: "I want to walk as a child of the light"

Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934), arr. for piano by Mark Hayes (b.1953)

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Opening Hymn: "Christ is made the sure foundation" #518 *The Hymnal 1982*

4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in
hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est
with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

Opening Acclamation

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

People ***And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

Celebrant & People: 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 (said in unison)

*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.

Collect of the Day

BCP p. 230

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant: 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.***

First Reading: Jeremiah 28:5-9

Reader: A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, “Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

From the Psalms: Psalm 89:1-4,15-18 *Said in unison*

BCP p.713

Reader: Please join in our psalm

- 1 Your love, O LORD, for ever will I sing; ****
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; ****
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.
- 3 “I have made a covenant with my chosen one; ****
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
- 4 ‘I will establish your line for ever, ****
and preserve your throne for all generations.’”
- 15 Happy are the people who know the festal shout! ****
they walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.

16 *They rejoice daily in your Name; **
they are jubilant in your righteousness.

17 *For you are the glory of their strength, **
and by your favor our might is exalted.

18 *Truly, the LORD is our ruler; **
the Holy One of Israel is our King.

Second Reading: Romans 6:12-23

Reader: A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: "Halle, halle, hallelujah!"

#18 My Heart Sings Out

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - - - jah!

hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - - - jah!

hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - - - jah!

lu - - - jah! Hal - le - lu - - - jah!

Hal - le - lu - - - jah!

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Holy Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42 *All stand.*

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

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

Jesus said, “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Fr. Jarred

Nicene Creed

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All stand and together say

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.*

Prayers of the People: Form IV

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Celebrant: In the power of the Holy Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

Reader: Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People: ***Hear our prayer.***

Reader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People: ***Hear our prayer.***

Reader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People: ***Hear our prayer.***

Reader: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People: ***Hear our prayer.***

Leader: As we celebrate Pride, give us all the grace to own our sexual identity, whatever its orientation, as another manifestation of your goodness. And give us the vision to recognize and reject the homophobia around us and in our own hearts as well.

Lord, in your Mercy

People: ***Hear our prayer.***

Reader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

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Les Johnson – Friend of Sue Olson & Nancy Jukins
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Wellington Woods – Great nephew of Dale Cavanaugh
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Keetah Life – Parishioner

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: In a moment of silence let us offer to God our own prayers.

The Celebrant stands and says

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession & Absolution

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Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Celebrant & People

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 Celebrant 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.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be with you always.

People: And also with you.

All share signs of Christ's peace.

MINISTRY OF THE TABLE

*The offering is taken and the altar is set for the Eucharist as the offertory hymn is sung.
Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his name, bring offerings and come into his courts.*

Offertory: "All my hope on God is founded"

#665 *The Hymnal 1982*

1 All my hope on God is found - ed; he doth still my
 2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
 3 God's great good - ness e'er en - dur - eth, deep his wis - dom
 *4 Dai - ly doth theal - might - y Giv - er boun - teous gifts on
 5 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of

1 trust re - new, me through change and chance he
 2 tray our trust; though with care and toil we
 3 pass - ing thought: splen - dor, light, and life at -
 4 us be - stow; his de - sire our soul de -
 5 praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es

1 guid - eth, on - ly good and on - ly true. God un -
 2 build them, tower and tem - ple fall to dust. But God's
 3 tend him, beau - ty spring - eth out of nought. Ev - e -
 4 ligh - teth, plea - sure leads us where we go. Love doth
 5 prais - ing for the gift of Christ, his Son. Christ doth

1 known, he a - lone calls my heart to be his own.
 2 power, hour by hour, is my tem - ple and my tower.
 3 rmore from his store new-born worlds rise and a - dore.
 4 stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his com - mand.
 5 call one and all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

Eucharistic Prayer: Form A

The people remain standing.

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 God thanks and praise.**

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:

Sanctus: "Holy, holy, holy Lord"

#S-125 *The Hymnal 1982*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

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,

People and Celebrant

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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world

*People: **Have mercy upon us***

Celebrant: Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world

*People: **Have mercy upon us***

Celebrant: Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world

*People: **Grant us your peace***

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: 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)

Post Communion Hymn: "O God of every nation"

#607 *The Hymnal 1982*

1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery, race and land,
 2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,
 3 Lord, strength-en all who la - bor that we may find re - lease
 4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

re - deem the whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand;
 from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc-tion through the night,
 from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;
 when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,

where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,
 from pride of race and na - tion and blind-ness to your way,
 when hope and cour - age fal - ter, your still small voice be heard;
 till dawns the morn-ing glo-rious when truth and jus - tice reign

in love and mer - cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.
 de - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray!
 with faith that none can al - ter, your ser-vants un - der - gird.
 and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant & People

Almighty and everliving God,

*we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food*

of the most precious 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 for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn: "I want to walk as a child of the light"

#490 *The Hymnal 1982*

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G clef, 2/4 time, and B-flat key signature. The music is divided into four sections, each with lyrics. The first section (measures 1-4) has three stanzas:

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2 I want to see the brightness of God.
 3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.

The second section (measures 5-8) has three stanzas:

I want to follow Je sus.
 I want to look at Je sus.
 I want to be with Je sus.

The third section (measures 9-12) has three stanzas:

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Clear sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path, and we
 When we have run with pa-tience the race,

The fourth section (measures 13-16) has three stanzas:

star of my life is Je sus.
 show me the way to the Fa ther.
 shall know the joy of Je sus.

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: “All my hope on God is founded” organ setting by Benjamin M. Culli (b. 1975)

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TODAY'S SERVICE LEADERS

Clergy: Fr. Jarred Mercer, Rector

Music Director: Mark Meyer

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Annie Winslow

Lector: Clare Keller

Cycle of Prayer

Today as we worship we keep in our prayers the ***Parishes of the Mt. Hope-Buzzards Bay***

Deanery; Grace Church, New Bedford; St. Andrew's Church, New Bedford; St. Martin's Church, New Bedford; Society for the Relief of Widows, Widowers and Orphans of Episcopal Clergy; Society for the Relief of Aged or Disabled Episcopal Clergy and in the local cycle of prayer: Central Congregational Church, Newburyport.

Prayer List

Person to Pray for and Relationship

Allison Flynn – Niece of Sue Olson & Nancy Jukins

Les Johnson – Friend of Sue Olson & Nancy Jukins

Eve Steinberg – Friend of Sue Olson & Nancy Jukins

Wellington Woods – Great nephew of Dale Cavanaugh

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Marya Toffey – Niece of Ann Winslow

Keetah Life – Parishioner

Stephen Mathis – Friend of Priscilla Bellairs

Talia Duff—Niece of Lorrie and Jeff Jones

Nicole DiBona—Niece of Lorrie and Jeff Jones

Stephen Jones—Nephew of Lorrie and Jeff Jones

Betty Moberger – Sister-in-law of Ingrid Sanborn

Joan Shirley – Friend of Ingrid Sanborn

Marilyn Diehl – Friend of Ingrid Sanborn

Jill Davila – Niece of Carole Bishop

Tony Broer - Brother of Carole Bishop

Joanne Norris – Friend of Sheila & Jack Butler

Karen – Friend of the Budzyna family

Kathleen Martin – Mother of Mary Condella

Theresa Winslow – Mother of Ed Winslow

Olin Braids – Brother of Priscilla Bellairs

Karen & Richard Greene – Family of Wendy Colby

John B. – Nephew of Mary Condella
Mark Wise – Friend of Donna Northam
Betty Trowbridge – Friend of Donna Northam
Marie Buckman – Mother of Linda Davis Siess
Walter Blumenscheid – Father of Richard Blumenscheid

Statement of Call - St. Paul's Church

St. Paul's is a Christian community where people are met and accepted without judgment for who they are and are adopted into a loving and caring family. Our faith provides a framework within which we explore, honor and celebrate the presence of God in daily experiences, especially in the crises, conflicts and transitions of life, and are thereby equipped to live fully in an increasingly complex and changing world.

We believe we are called to center our life in Jesus Christ through a regular discipline of Eucharistic worship, scripture study and prayer.

We believe our faith leads us to fulfill our mission, which is to share ourselves and our resources with each other, our community and the world.

We believe we are called to discover and affirm our spiritual gifts and be responsible and committed ministers of these gifts in the name of Jesus Christ.

St. Paul's 2020 Vestry

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