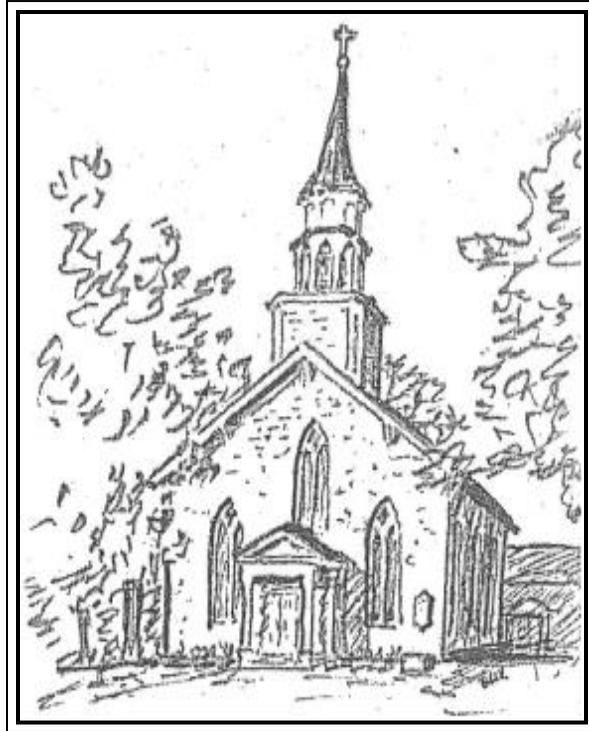


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9:00 A.M. Service

Sunday, October 11, 2020



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Prelude: The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Organist, Sherry Dwyer

Music: *St. Columba*, Irish Melody

Lyrics: *Henry Williams Baker*

Opening Sentence

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Lord open thou our lips

All: And our mouths shall proclaim thy praise

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. AMEN

Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

1 Hallelujah!

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, *
for his mercy endures for ever.

2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the LORD *
or show forth all his praise?

3 Happy are those who act with justice *
and always do what is right!

4 Remember me, O LORD, with the favor you have for your people, *
and visit me with your saving help;

- 5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect
and be glad with the gladness of your people, *
that I may glory with your inheritance.
- 6 We have sinned as our forebears did; *
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.
- 19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb *
and worshiped a molten image;
- 20 And so they exchanged their Glory *
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.
- 21 They forgot God their Savior, *
who had done great things in Egypt,
- 22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, *
and fearful things at the Red Sea.
- 23 So he would have destroyed them,
had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, *
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.

Hymn 593 Lord Make Us Servants of Your Peace

Lyrics: James Quinn

Music: Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr.

*1 Lord, make us servants of your peace:
Where there is hate, may we sow love;
Where there is hurt, may we forgive;
Where there is strife, may we make one.*

*3 Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek
To be consoled, but to console,
Nor look to understanding hearts,
But look for hearts to understand.*

*2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith;
Where all is gloom, may we sow hope;
Where all is night, may we sow light;
Where all is tears, may we sow joy.*

*4 May we not look for love's return,
But seek to love unselfishly,
For in our giving we receive,
And in forgiving are forgiven.*

First Reading
Philippians 4:1-9

Lector: Barbara Ives

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Second Reading
Matthew 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city.

Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Homily by Rev. Dr. Martha Tucker

Moment of Silence-Music Meditation

Music: *Land of Rest*

The Apostles Creed *Officiant and People together, all standing*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

Officiant: The Lord be with you

People: ***And with thy spirit.***

Officiant: Let us kneel and pray.

The Lord's Prayer *Together, all kneeling*

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.**

Suffrage A

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect: Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Prayer attributed to St. Francis

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. **Amen.**

Collect for Mission: Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

Christ Church Prayer: O God, who has brought us into the Church of thy dear Son, make all in our parish a family of one heart and mind in love towards thee; and grant that our common life and work may help to bring in thy kingdom. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Almighty and ever living God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

We pray for those on our parish prayer list to include:

Michael Berkeley	Francoise Kelz	Addie Selfridge
Nancy Briggs	Robert Klein	Shelley Strid
Mary Jean Calvi	John Lynch	Jon Swart
Mary Jean Chacona	Larry Mac Neil	Richard Tucker
Betty Dearborn	Joyce Millage	Philip Waugh
Janis Downey	Adele Prindle	Joyce Weegar
Miles Eller	Wendy Grace Rossi	Mary Ann Wilkens
Jane Farnol		Jon Widing

The Altar Flowers, which adorn the Sanctuary, are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:

Pattye L. Hansell by Mrs. Jean Hansell and in fond memory of Sally Hammet.

A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit Among the People of God

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in

common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up ourselves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn 7: Christ Whose Glory Fills The Sky

Lyrics: *Charles Wesley*

Music: *William Henry Havergal*

*1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.*

*2 Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return
'til thy mercy's beams I see;
'til they inward light impart,
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.*

*3 Visit, then, this soul of mine;
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, Radiancy divine;*

*scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day*

Blessing: Glory to God whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church and in Christ Jesus forever and ever. Amen .

Postlude: *Rejoice Ye, Pure In Heart*
Music: *Arthur Henry Messiter*
Lyrics: Edward Hayes Plumptre

Organist: Sherry Dwyer

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

Dismissal: *Go In Peace*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

October Celebrations:

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| 3 Ryan Smith | 3 Mary Beth Franks Begor |
| 9 Todd & Jennifer Anderson, anniv. | 20 Rick & Barbara Ives, anniv. |
| 24 Robbie Cooper | 26 Julia Wayne Hajek |

Today: October 11th at the 9:00 AM Service, Rev. Tucker will bless pictures of our animals that parishioners contribute, in observance of St. Frances of Assisi. This is instead of our usual Blessing of Animals in Pet Memorial Garden as we still can not gather with large groups.

9:45 AM Quarterly Executive Committee Meets

October 14-18- ECCT Virtual Convention. **Convention Eucharist on Sunday at 10:00 AM, which will be open to all and broadcast through YouTube. Here is the link with information and registration form:**
<https://ecctconvention.org>

4:00 PM Tuesday's

Pastoring and Prophecy: A Lens For Bible Study In Difficult Times

We will ponder passages of the Bible which assist us in navigating tough times. Early on in the pandemics, one of our Bishops said we are called to pastor and to prophesy! Those vocations become even more poignant during dual viruses: actual and social. While social justice is at the heart of our work, so is compassion and mercy, the pastoral part.

We will pray as we hold the tensions and await the inspiration of the Spirit. Each week's passage will be sent out ahead of time but spontaneity is welcome! Any edition of the Bible is also welcome. **Led by Rev. Dr. Martha Tucker**, this Bible Study is open to all!

Zoom Link to Join: <https://episcopalct.zoom.us/j/93023398193>

Password: episcopal

FOR SALE: We still have Firestarter's available for purchase at \$7.00.

Bicentennial Books \$20.00, and Bicentennial Coins for \$50.00. The cold is here so when you go to start that fireplace, be prepared. All items make wonderful gift.

It's Election Season: do we really believe that Love Is the Way? How might we find inspiration for practicing the art of loving the Other in this season fraught with tension and political acrimony? Let's look for inspiration in the recently published book written by the Most Rev. Michael Curry and Sara Grace called Love Is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times. We'll meet one week before our national election to discuss the first part of the book and one week after the election to talk about the second part. The book is well written and very readable.

Tuesday, Oct. 27 from 7 till 8 pm. We discuss pages 1--139 at this session. Zoom info: [Click here for Book Group on Oct 27](#)

Tuesday, Nov. 10 from 7 till 8 pm. We discuss pages 140--256. Zoom info: [Click here for Book Group on Nov 10](#)

Our facilitator is the Rev. Marilyn Anderson

