

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL ANGLICAN CHURCH

Fairland Parish



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THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: PROPER 10

Holy Eucharist Rite II

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10:30 a.m.

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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The 7th Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 10

Opening Hymn: O worship the king vs. 1-3 Hymn # 388

O worship the King, all glorious above!
O gratefully sing his power and his love!
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth, with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old,
hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Opening Rites and the Collect of the Day

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

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and always.

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.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

God of the prophets,
whose word cuts through
the webs of power
and holds the tyrant to account:
be with all who raise their voice
against oppression and misrule,
who are imprisoned and abused
for freedom's sake;
help us to stand and speak with them
and witness to your kingdom now;
through Jesus Christ, the name above all others. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Old Testament Lesson

Amos 7:7-15

- 7 This is what he showed me: the LORD was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand.
- 8 And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, A plumb line." Then the LORD said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by;
- 9 the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."
- 10 Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words.
- 11 For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"
- 12 And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there;
- 13 but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

- 14 Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees,
- 15 and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 85:8-13

The Cantor chants the psalm.

- 8 Among the gods there is none like you, O LORD,*
nor anything like your works.
- 9 All the nations you have made will come and worship you, O
LORD,*
and glorify your Name.
- 10 For you are great;
you do wondrous things;*
and you alone are God.
- 11 Teach me your way, O LORD,
and I will walk in your truth:*

knit my heart to you that I may fear your Name.

12 I will thank you, O LORD my God, with all my heart,*
and glorify your name for evermore.

13 For great is your love toward me;*
you have delivered me from the nethermost Pit.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be, world without end.
Amen.

The New Testament Lesson

Ephesians 1:3-14

- 3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who
has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the
heavenly places,
- 4 just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world
to be holy and blameless before him in love.
- 5 He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus
Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will,
- 6 to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us
in the Beloved.
- 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness
of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace

- 8 that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight
- 9 he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ,
- 10 as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.
- 11 In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will,
- 12 so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.
- 13 In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit;
- 14 this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

LEM: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: O Christ the word vs. 1-2 **Hymnal #632**

O Christ, the Word Incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth, unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky;
we praise thee for the radiance
that from the scripture's page,
a lantern to our footsteps,
shines on from age to age.

The Church from our dear Master
received the word divine,
and still that light is lifted
o'er all the earth to shine.
It is the chart and compass
that o'er life's surging sea,
mid mists and rocks and quicksands,
still guides, O Christ, to thee.

The Gospel

Mark 6:14-29

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁴ King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.'¹⁵ But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.'¹⁶ But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.'¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not,²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²²When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.'²³ And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.'²⁴ She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.'²⁵ Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.'²⁶ The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison,²⁸ brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl.

Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn (*continued*) **O Christ the word vs. 3 Hymnal #632**

O make thy Church, dear Savior,
a lamp of purest gold,
to bear before the nations
thy true light as of old;
O teach thy wandering pilgrims
by this their path to trace,
till, clouds and darkness ended,
they see thee face to face.

The Sermon: Herod feared John

The Creed

Led by the LEM, the People say

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
The 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 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.

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

The LEM or Reader leads the People in the following prayers

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

We pray for all God's people; for our bishops, our clergy, and this gathering, and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

We pray for peace; for goodwill among nations, for justice, and for the well-being of all.

Silence

We pray for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

We pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

We pray for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may seek, and pray that they might find.

Silence

We pray for the departed [*especially N.N.*]. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

We pray for those on our prayer list, and for those whose needs are known to you alone.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Peace

The People stand.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you,

People: And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another.¹

Offertory

The Deacon or Priest prepares the altar and sanctuary for the Eucharist.

The People make ready their gifts of bread and wine.

The Holy Eucharist: The Great Thanksgiving

¹ Note: under disease-mitigation protocols, the People greet one another in silence and at physical distance, and there is no passing of plates or reception of gifts.

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, holy Lord, giver of life and light. You fill us with your blessings and feed us with your constant love;

you have redeemed us in Christ Jesus, renewed us in your Spirit, and brought us into everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining with Angels and Archangels and with all the host of heaven, who forever sing this hymn, to the glory of your Name,

The People, led by the Choiristers, 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, maker of all things, judge of all who live.
You made us in your image and to live in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care and bade us be faithful stewards of its bounty. But we honored not your gifts, misused your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made human in Christ Jesus, to live as one of us, and to reveal your glory. Giving himself up to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil and opened for us the way of everlasting life.

On the night before he died, as he sat at table with his friends, Our Lord Jesus Christ took bread. Giving thanks to you, he broke it, and shared it with them, saying:

“Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this in memory of me.” †

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks, and shared it with them, saying:

“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in memory of me.” †

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

The People, led by the LEM, say

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

In that mystery we offer to you this bread and this wine, fruit of the vine and the work of human hands. Send your Holy Spirit upon them that may they become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we who share them be filled with that same Spirit to live as Christ's Body in the world. May we come to the everlasting heritage of your children, and with the apostles and martyrs and all your saints, enter into the joys of your salvation.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, now and forever. AMEN. ††

Now, as Christ taught us, we are bold to say,

The People, led by the Choristers, sing

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 Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, and then keeps a period of silence. The Celebrant continues

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn: O Food to pilgrim vs. 1-3 Hymn # 309

O Food to pilgrims given,
O Bread of life from heaven,
O Manna from on high!
We hunger; Lord, supply us,
nor thy delights deny us,
whose hearts to thee draw nigh.

O stream of love past telling,
O purest fountain, welling
from out the Savior's side!
We faint with thirst; revive us,
of thine abundance give us,
and all we need provide.

O Jesus, by thee bidden,
we here adore thee, hidden
in forms of bread and wine.
Grant when the veil is riven,
we may behold, in heaven,
thy countenance divine.

The People consume their gifts in place, or come forward to receive a host, maintaining social distance.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray. *The Celebrant prays*

Eternal God, holy Lord, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Now send us forth in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Announcements, if any, are made here.

Blessing

The Bishop, when present, or the Celebrant says

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord be with you, this day and always, and give you peace.

Withdrawal Hymn: Love divine all loves vs. 1-3 Hymnal #657

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

The Celebrant and the LEM recess to the narthex.

Dismissal

The LEM says

Let us go forth, in peace, to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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