

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL ANGLICAN CHURCH

Fairland Parish



Holy Eucharist - Rite I

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost – Proper 12

July 24, 2022, 8:00 a.m.

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The People enter, maintaining physical distance.

The Altar party enters the Sanctuary. The Celebrant begins as follows.

Opening Rites

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

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

Celebrant: Almighty God, unto 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.*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Canticle: *Jubilate Deo*

The Celebrant and People say the canticle; the People respond after the asterisk ().*

Be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves; *
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving
and into his courts with praise; *
be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious; his mercy is everlasting; *
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: *Let us pray.*

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says the Collect.

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Genesis 18:20-32

^{18:20} Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin!

^{18:21} I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

^{18:22} So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD.

^{18:23} Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked?

^{18:24} Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it?

^{18:25} Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?"

18:26 And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake."

18:27 Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes.

18:28 Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there."

18:29 Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it."

18:30 Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there."

18:31 He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it."

18:32 Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

After the reading, the Reader says

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Celebrant: Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 138

The Cantor chants the psalm.

¹ I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.

² I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;

³ For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.

⁴ When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.

⁵ All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

⁶ They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.

⁷ Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.

⁸ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.

⁹The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

The Second Lesson

Colossians 2:6-19

^{2:6} As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him,

^{2:7} rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

^{2:8} See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ.

^{2:9} For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily,

^{2:10} and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority.

^{2:11} In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ;

^{2:12} when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.

2:13 And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses,

2:14 erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross.

2:15 He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

2:16 Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths.

2:17 These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ.

2:18 Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking,

2:19 and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

After the reading, the Reader says

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Celebrant: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

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

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

^{11:1} He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

^{11:2} He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.

^{11:3} Give us each day our daily bread.

^{11:4} And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

^{11:5} And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread;

^{11:6} for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.'

^{11:7} And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot

get up and give you anything.'

^{11:8} I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

^{11:9} "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.

^{11:10} For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

^{11:11} Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish?

^{11:12} Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion?

^{11:13} If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

After the reading, the Reader says

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon: The Sin of Sodom (Our Daily Bread)

A prepared text of the sermon is available on the church website.

After the sermon the LEM leads the People as they say:

The 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 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 Intercessor prays. In the silence after each bidding, the People may add their own petitions.

I ask your prayers for all God's people; for our bishops, our clergy,
and this gathering, and for all ministers and people. Pray for the
Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for
the well-being of all. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed,
and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God.

Pray that they may seek, and pray that they might find.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed, [*especially N.N.*]. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those on the prayer list of this parish, and those whose needs are known to you alone.

Silence

The Celebrant adds the concluding collect(s).

Confession of Sin

If the confession is not omitted, the Deacon or Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence is kept. The People, led by the LEM, then say

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people:

We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Comfort

A Minister may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to God.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Mt. 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; the perfect offering for our sins, and not ours only, but the sins of the whole world. *1 Jn 2:1-2*

The Peace

The People stand.

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

People: And with thy spirit.

The Ministers and People greet one another.¹

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

The Holy Eucharist: The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you,

¹ *Note: under disease-mitigation protocols, the People greet one another from their pews. There is no passing of plates or reception of gifts.*

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, Creator of light and life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

The People, led by the LEM, say

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is the one that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand. The People hold forth their gifts, if any. The Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." †

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." †

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire that thou mercifully accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN. ††

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

The People, led by the LEM, pray

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. Silence is kept.

The Celebrant continues

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

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

The LEM may then lead the People in this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great
mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs
under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property it is

always to have mercy. Grant us, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

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

The People kneel or stand at the Altar Rail and retrieve the hosts.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray. *The Celebrant or LEM then leads the People in this prayer*

Almighty, ever-living God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ, assuring us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us, members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of the faithful; and heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. We beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou preparest for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Announcements

Announcements, if any, are made here.

Please see the website and e-letters for more information.

Blessing and Dismissal

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The LEM says

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Celebrant, the LEM, and the People depart.

The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God.

St. Mark's Announcements

1. **At-Home Covid-19 Self-Test kits** are available, free of charge, in the church office.
 - a. There are 2 kits in each box; we will provide one box per person.
 - b. Please contact Janis Smith, our Parish Administrator, if you would like a box of test kits. Contact number: 301-622-5860.
2. **Please consider hosting Coffee Hour:** volunteers are needed to host coffee hour. The sign-up sheet is located on the wall beside the coffee pot. Instructions on what a host needs to do may be found on the clipboard. We give thanks for all those who have already volunteered this year!
3. **Vestry Meeting** – St. Mark's Parish Hall and via Zoom, Tuesday, July 26, 2022, 7:30 pm. Please contact the office at 301-622-5860 or contact the Parish Administrator at administrator@stmarks-silverspring.org if you wish to attend as a guest.

Please check your e-letters and the website for the most up-to-date information.

Save the Date

- ***Saturday, July 30*** – St. Mark's Annual Picnic – 4:00-8:00 pm, Parish Hall and grounds.
- ***Sunday August 21: Pool Day, Calverton Swim Club***
 - **8:00 am: Holy Eucharist service at St. Mark's**
 - **11:00 am: Holy Eucharist in the Calverton Swim Club Pavilion**
 - **Noon: Pool and Club Time.** St. Mark's parishioners may stay as guests and use the pool, grills, playground, basketball courts, horseshoes, lounge chairs, etc. *Note: All parishioners and families are welcome, no matter which service you typically attend. There will be no 10:30 service at St. Mark's on this day.*
- ***July/August - Backpacks project:*** St. Mark's Backpack Assembly will be on ***Saturday, August 20th***, from 3pm to 5pm, in the Parish Hall. Refreshments will be provided. We plan to donate at least 70 brand new backpacks, full of new school supplies, to Galway Elementary School. We need your help on assembly day. Donations are also needed to make this all possible. In addition to backpacks, we need crayons, markers, colored pencils, #2 pencils, composition books, wide ruled notebook paper, glue sticks, children's scissors, erasers, pencil sharpeners, student headphones and ball point pens. The school does not need 3-ring binders, and all backpacks and supplies must be new! Supplies may be dropped off in the church office, or ordered directly from Amazon.com for delivery to St. Mark's. Here's the link to the registry to place an order: <https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/281D6YRO71ODS/guest-view>. There are items on the list to fit every budget, and all gifts are appreciated. Outreach funds will be used to buy

items that aren't donated. Backpacks will be blessed on *Sunday, August 21st*.

- *Sunday, September 25: Installation of the Rector.* The service starts at 4:00 pm. All are welcome. More information will be forthcoming.

More information on these upcoming events will be forthcoming so that you can plan accordingly.

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We hope that today's service has been a blessing to you.

We are here to serve you, and hope to see you again.

Please feel free to call us, email us, or visit us online.

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