



St. Jude's Episcopal Church

Seeking and Worshipping God, Reaching out to Others

August 30, 2020 13th Sunday After Pentecost
10:30 am Holy Eucharist

----- A Special **WELCOME** to our Visitors! -----

We are pleased to have you worship with us this morning and hope you feel warmly welcomed.

If you forgot your face covering, masks are provided on the sign-in table.

Please make sure to leave us your name and contact information for contact tracing purposes. The lists will be kept in the church office so we can notify you to isolate for 14 days should anyone in attendance test positive for Covid-19.

Please be sure to place your chair 6 feet away from anyone else.

Hand sanitizing stations are located throughout the worship space.

If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to become a part of the
St. Jude's Church Community.

Worship: Daily at 8 am on Facebook Live and Zoom
& 10:30 am in-person outside on church grounds
Adult Formation: Sundays 9:30 am online

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The Gathering of the Community

Open Acclamation & Collect

Presider Blessed be God who has brought us to this day.

People **Blessed be the God of all our days.**

Presider Thanks be to Jesus who restores us to wholeness.

People **Thanks be to Jesus in whose death is our life.**

Presider Praise to the Spirit who calls us to service.

People **Praise to the Spirit who leads us in love.**

Presider The Lord is with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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.

All **Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Priest God is with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

All 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.**

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading *Please be seated* _____ *Exodus 3:1-15*

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn

aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.” When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” Then he said, “Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” He said further, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.”

But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.” But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’:

This is my name forever,
and this my title for all generations.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm _____ *105:1-6, 23-26, 45c*

1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.

- 3 Glory in his holy Name; *
 let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
- 4 Search for the Lord and his strength; *
 continually seek his face.
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
 his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
- 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
 O children of Jacob his chosen.
- 23 Israel came into Egypt, *
 and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.
- 24 The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful; *
 he made them stronger than their enemies;
- 25 Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, *
 and dealt unjustly with his servants.
- 26 He sent Moses his servant, *
 and Aaron whom he had chosen.
- 45 Hallelujah!

The Second Reading _____ *Romans 12:9-21*

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading *Please stand* _____ *Matthew 16:21-28*

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

People **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."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon *Please be seated* _____ *The Rev. Tracie Little*

The Nicene Creed *Please stand* _____

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 *Please stand or kneel* _____

Intercessor God is the great "I AM" in whose Name we pray, responding,
"Lord, hear our prayer."

Intercessor That we may open our ears to the cries of those who suffer, freeing
them from enslavement to poverty, abuse, and lack of opportunity,
taking our share in the saving acts of God;
Silence.

People Let us pray,
Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor That the leaders of the nations may lead their people with integrity,
honoring all that is past and moving into the challenges that define
a new life;
Silence.

People Let us pray,
Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For the courage to lift up our crosses to the light of day, carrying them on our journey of faith, uniting ourselves with the Christ of passion, so as to share in the glory of his resurrection;
Silence.

People Let us pray,
Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor That we be given the strength to leave behind the fruits of temptations, turning our gaze upon that which is nourishing and sound, living a life of love, honor, and respect for others, full of rejoicing and thanksgiving;
Silence.

People Let us pray,
Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For all laborers, that they may receive a fare wage, a safe working environment, the companionship of fellow workers, and the respect of those who exercise authority over them;
Silence.

People Let us pray,
Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For those who have died surrounded by family and friends, and for those who were unloved and unmourned, that all may have a place in God's kingdom;
Silence.

People Let us pray,
Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor May the Name of God be grafted on our hearts as we continue our prayers.
Please add your prayers of thanksgiving and intercession silently or aloud.

Priest Most high God, your ways are not our ways, yet your ways bear life. Hear the petitions of your assembled people. Pour out on your world the faith to hear your call and the courage to answer it. We

ask this in the name of Jesus, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Confession *Please stand or kneel* _____

Priest Let us confess our sins to God.

All **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Absolution _____

Priest 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 *Please stand* _____

In order to maintain the health and safety of all of our worship participants, the Peace will be touch-free.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Doxology _____

Priest All things come from thee, O Lord.

People **And of our own have we given thee.**

The Eucharistic Prayer *Please remain standing* _____

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Priest It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voice with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

All **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.

Priest Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Memorial Acclamation

Priest Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Priest Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with St. Jude and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer

Priest As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Fraction _____

Priest Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
All Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Communion _____

In order to maintain best practices for safety protocols, the following instructions for receiving Holy Communion will be observed:

- *No one is obliged to receive. As the priest approaches you, if you would prefer not to receive, please place your arms across your shoulders indicating you would like to receive a blessing. The priest will not touch you, but will extend hands towards you and offer the blessing.*
- *Only wafers will be distributed. Gluten-free wafers are available. Simply ask to receive one. Anglican theologians have long held to the traditional teaching of the church that reception in one kind only (either bread only, or wine only) is a sufficient reception of the fullness of the sacrament; thus, wine will not be distributed.*
- *Communion will be brought to you in your seat so we avoid the need to walk on uneven ground.*
- *Once the priest is at least 6 feet away, please remove your mask and consume the wafer, and replace your mask.*

Prayer after Communion *Please stand* _____

Presider Let us pray.
People Loving God,
we give you thanks for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing _____

The Sending Out

Milestones & Announcements *Please be seated* _____

Sending Out

The Presider dismisses the congregation, after which the people respond:

Thanks be to God!

In order to maintain the health and safety of all participants in this worship service and to adhere to our Phase 2 Re-Entry Requirements, there will be no coffee hour and no receiving line. We have enjoyed being with you in this in-person service! Please watch for e-mails and Facebook posts that will alert you to any changes in this pattern for worship.

The worship is ended, the service begins...

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