ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA



THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 5, 2020

MORNING PRAYER Rite II

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ORGAN VOLUNTARY

A prayerful silence precedes the service. The tower bells ring the hour.

THE OPENING SENTENCES

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.

Habakkuk 2:20

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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 pronounces the absolution and the people respond, Amen.

THE INVITATORY

OfficiantLord, open our lips.PeopleAnd our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

All say the Antiphon:

The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

THE JUBILATE

Psalm 100

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

Know this: The Lord himself is God; * he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; * give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; * and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

All repeat the Antiphon:

The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

The Cantor sings the appointed portion of the Psalm.

- 8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, * slow to anger and of great kindness.
 9 The Lord is loving to everyone * and his compassion is over all his works.
 10 All your works praise you, O Lord, * and your faithful servants bless you.
 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom * and speak of your power;
 12 That the peoples may know of your power * and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; * your dominion endures throughout all ages.
 14 The Lord is faithful in all his words * and merciful in all his deeds.
- 15 The Lord upholds all those who fall; * he lifts up those who are bowed down.

At the end of the Psalms is sung

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.
Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

CANTICLE 12

BCP 88

A Song of Creation Song of the Three Young Men, 35-65

Invocation

Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, *praise him and highly exalt him for ever.In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, *praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

The People of God

Let the people of God glorify the Lord, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever. Glorify the Lord, O priests and servants of the Lord, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

- Glorify the Lord, O spirits and souls of the righteous, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
- You that are holy and humble of heart, glorify the Lord, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Doxology

Let us glorify the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; * praise him and highly exalt him for ever. In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, * praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

THE SECOND LESSON

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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CANTICLE 16

Luke 1: 68-79

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *

he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *

born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, *

from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers *

and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear, *

holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, * for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation * by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God * the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, * and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Andrew J. Hege

A few moments of silence for reflection follow the homily.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, 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 also with you.
Officiant	Let us pray.

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 forever. Amen.

BCP 98

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
- R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.
- V. Day by day we bless you;
- R. We praise your name for ever.
- V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
- R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
- V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
- R. For we put our trust in you.
- V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
- R. And we shall never hope in vain.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Free intercessions may be offered. The people add their own petitions and thanksgivings. These may be shared with one another in the chat box on Zoom.

The Officiant concludes the prayers with this collect,

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen**.

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THE BLESSING

The Officiant pronounces God's blessing, and the people respond, Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

OfficiantLet us bless the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

THE GRACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen**.

2 Corinthians 13:14

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

COFFEE MINUTE

Are you missing the opportunity to connect with St. Mary's friends during Coffee Minute? We are too!

After worship, join us at 10:45AM for an online Coffee Minute on Zoom.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85905805063

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROUS SUPPORT OF ST. MARY OF THE HILLS!

Your financial contributions enable this mission and ministry of this parish to continue.

Gifts may be received online at <u>https://www.stmaryofthehills.org/donate</u> or via mail (P.O. Box 14, Blowing Rock, NC 28607).

Credits and References

*Liturgical references are from the Book of Common Prayer (1979), The Hymnal 1982, and the Book of Occasional Services (2018) **Biblical references are from the Holy Bible: New Revised Standard Version (1989)

Please Pray for the Following in Your Daily Prayers

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, José our Bishop, Andrew our rector, Sam and Gary our assisting clergy, for all bishops and ministers, and for all God's people throughout the world.

For all medical personnel and all ministering to the needs of those affected by COVID-19.

For healing: Diana Doswell, Mills Poole, Jacob, Pam Ayoub, Jo Barbre, James S., Dan Gloster, Joe Dyer, Grace Howe Clapp, Lewis, Mark Klein, Dolores, Dotty Shoffner, Lauren, Carol, Paul, Jeanie H., Jo Ann M., Sharon, Mary, Bill, Joann, Whitney, Jamie, Dennis, Pat R., Paul R., Brenda, Mona, Maria, Peter, Rachel, Hououchang Ahmadi, Terry, Judy, Katy, Maureen

(Please note that the names on this list will remain for four weeks, unless the office is notified that the person(s) needs to remain on the list for a longer period of time.)

For those who have died: Carol Smallwood, Sarah Siegman, Mike, Joseph O'Toole, Carol, Tony, Bobby, Jeremy Parrish

For safe pregnancy and delivery for: Mary Lois, Taylor, Austin, Falconer, Melissa, Brooks, Kelly Porter

For those celebrating birthdays this week:

07/05 Roy McCraw, Sue Sweeting, Sid Lemnouni 07/06 Andrew Hill, Angela Skibo 07/07 Hannah Cameron, Michael Coston, Ed Springs, Marthe Wilson 07/09 Bob McCloskey, Luba Skibo 07/10 Heather Fabretti 07/11 Martha Jones, Beth Lawler

For those celebrating anniversaries this week:

07/06 Jim and Rebecca Warren 07/10 John Carlson and Katy Thompson Carlson

Parish Prayer Cycle:

07/05 Donald and Katherine Riopel 07/06 Ralph and Francine Roberson 07/07 Bill and Jorgann Rogers 07/08 Doug and Liz Rose 07/09 John and Luella Rundell 07/10 Dale Sandusky and Michael DeCorte 07/11 Adeline Sauer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On The Brink of Everything: Grace, Gravity & Getting Old by Parker J. Palmer – Six-Week Book Study Beginning in July: – Fr. Sam will lead a weekly one-hour Zoom book study of this latest book by Parker Palmer, a Quaker elder. Through prose, poetry and song, Parker meditates on the meanings of life, past, present, and future, for those who want to age reflectively, seeking new insights and life-giving ways to engage the world. Other writers lending their endorsements include: Krista Tippet of On Being Studios; Richard Rohr of Contemplation and Action; and Brian McLaren, a current commentator on contemporary Christianity. Please email the church office (office@stmaryofthehills.org) if you are interested.

Vestry Nominations - Nominations for new members of the St. Mary of the Hills Vestry are now open. At our Annual Meeting, scheduled for August 30th, we will elect four new Vestry members (3 year-round, 1 seasonal) to serve three- year terms, beginning January 1, 2021. Confirmed members of the parish, at least 16 years of age and in good standing, are eligible for nomination. Like last year, nominees are invited into a season of discernment about their gifts and leadership in the life of the parish. We will meet together, via Zoom, beginning July 19th for prayerful conversation. If you have questions, or would like to learn more, please contact any member of the Nominating Committee (Crawford Cleveland, Bill Furr, Jane Milner, Chip Myers, Tim Silver) or Fr. Andrew for more details. The Nomination Form is available online – <u>HERE</u>.

A Choral Offering for Today -

MOTET—LO, THE FULL FINAL SACRIFICE

Lo, the full, final sacrifice On which all figures fix'd their eyes, The ransom'd Isaac, and his ram; The Manna, and the Paschal lamb. Jesu Master, just and true! Our Food, and faithful Shepherd too! O let that love which thus makes thee Mix with our low Mortality, Lift our lean Souls, and set us up Convictors of thine own full cup, Coheirs of Saints. That so all may Drink the same wine; and the same way. Nor change the Pasture, but the Place To feed of Thee in thine own Face. O dear Memorial of that Death Which lives still, and allows us breath! Rich, Royal food! Bountiful Bread! Whose use denies us to the dead! Live ever Bread of loves, and be My life, my soul, my surer self to me. Help Lord, my Faith, my Hope increase; And fill my portion in thy peace. Give love for life; nor let my days Grow, but in new powers to thy name and praise.

Gerald Finzi (1901-1956)

Rise, Royal Sion! rise and sing Thy soul's kind shepherd, thy heart's King. Stretch all thy powers; call if you can Harps of heaven to hands of man. This sovereign subject sits above The best ambition of thy love. Lo the Bread of Life, this day's Triumphant Text provokes thy praise. The living and life-giving bread, To the great twelve distributed When Life, himself, at point to die Of love, was his own Legacy. O soft self-wounding Pelican! Whose breast weeps Balm for wounded man. All this way bend thy benign flood To a bleeding Heart that gasps for blood. That blood, whose least drops sovereign be To wash my worlds of sins from me. Come love! Come Lord! and that long day For which I languish, come away. When this dry soul those eyes shall see, And drink the unseal'd source of thee. When Glory's sun faith's shades shall chase, And for thy veil give me thy Face. Amen.

Listen: <u>https://youtu.be/7h8v_QiCH4</u> Choir of St John's College, Cambridge Christopher Robinson, director Christopher Whitton, organ

Read commentary on this piece: <u>https://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2017/9-june/faith/faith-features/lo-the-full-final-sacrifice</u>

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