The Cross
Matthew 16:21-28

All Saints Episcopal Church
890 McCosh St., Hanover, PA 17331
13th Sunday after Pentecost
August 23, 2020
9:30AM

Online Service
5:00 PM

The Rev. Fredric G. Stevenson, Celebrant
9:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST  
RITE I

PRELUDE  
The Lake  
William Sterndale Bennett

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING ACCLAMATION  
BCP, 323

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

People  
And blessed be his Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant  
Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE  
God is Love  
Hymnal 1982, 379

God is Love, let heaven adore him; God is Love, let earth rejoice; let creation sing before him and exalt him with one voice. God who laid the earth’s foundation, God who spread the heavens above, God who breathes through all creation: God is Love, eternal Love.

God is Love; and though with blindness sin afflicts all human life, God’s eternal loving kindness guides us through our earthly strife. Sin and death and hell shall never o’er us final triumph gain; God is Love, so Love forever o’er the universe must reign.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant  
The Lord be with you

People  
And with thy spirit.

Celebrant  
Let us pray.

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

A Reading from Jeremiah  
Jeremiah 15:15-21

15O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. 16Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words
became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. 17I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. 18Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. 19Therefore thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. 20And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. 21I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 26:1-8 (responsively by whole verse)

1Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived with integrity; *
   I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
2Test me, O LORD, and try me; *
   examine my heart and my mind.
3For your love is before my eyes; *
   I have walked faithfully with you.
4I have not sat with the worthless, *
   nor do I consort with the deceitful.
5I have hated the company of evildoers; *
   I will not sit down with the wicked.
6I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, *
   that I may go in procession round your altar,
7Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *
   and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
8LORD, I love the house in which you dwell *
   and the place where your glory abides.

A Reading from Paul’s Letter to the Romans

Romans 12:9-21

9Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; 10Love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. 11Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. 12Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. 13Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. 14Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. 15Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. 16Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. 17Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. 18If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." 20No, "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." 21Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

21From that time on, 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. 22And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." 23But 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." 24Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 25For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. 26For 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? 27For 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. 28Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Fredric G. Stevenson

THE NICENE CREED (stand as able)

All 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

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

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our diocesan Bishop; Carenda, our priest; Fr. Fred, our celebrant; and, Jody, our candidate for ordination, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially Donald our president and Tom our governor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor Roy and Frances Kensinger, Mary, Wanda Shaffer and Phil Strickhouser, Margaret Wise and family, Bob Miller and family, Patsy, Tommy Simons, Chris Startzel, Jody Barthle, Regina Osman, Agnes Stavely, Jean Startzel, Nancy F., Frances, Sandy Miner, Stacy and her family, Jim Streaker, Karin Peterson, and Vernon Kearns; and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear especially Lew Leiter, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good
examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Celebrant Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ’s sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

CONFESSION

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence is kept

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Celebrant 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.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto the Most High.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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.

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty,
everlasting God, Creator of the light and source of 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,

SANCTUS (spoken by all)

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 he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(The people stand or sit.)

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for 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. (Sanctus bells)

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke 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.” (Sanctus bells)

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks to thee, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, 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.” (Sanctus bells)

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, 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; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and
heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be
made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through
the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

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

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
All 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            BCP, 337

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All 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 is always to have mercy. Grant us
therefore, 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.

THE INVITATION

POST COMMUNION PRAYER            BCP, 339

Celebrant Let us pray.
People Almighty and everliving 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; and dost
assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are
very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed
company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy
everlasting kingdom. And we humbly 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 hast prepared 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.

THE BLESSING
THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant       Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People          Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

This Little Light of Mine
arr. Mark Hayes

The Altar Flowers are given in thanksgiving
for the birthday of Stephanie Caskowski by the Slezoskys

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY’S SERVICE

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Richard (Dick) Frey is a native of Bethlehem, PA. He holds degrees from Westminster Choir College, Boston U., and Palmer Theological Seminary. He has served as Minister of Music in churches in Binghamton, NY, Wayne, PA, Ridgewood, NJ, at Trinity UCC in Hanover, PA, and most recently at the UU Congregation in York. Dick is married to Susan Frey, also a graduate of Westminster Choir College. They have 3 children, 6 grandchildren, and lots of pets!
ANNOUNCEMENTS

† Articles for the next bi-monthly newsletter are due to Michelle on Thursday, August 28th.

† Carenda Baker is on vacation and will return to the office on Tuesday, September 1st. If you need Pastoral care during this time, please call Jim Ryon, our Senior Warden at 717-632-5723. You may also contact Chris Benecke, of our Pastoral Care Team at 717-632-8772.

† Sunday video recorded worship services continue to be posted on the All Saints’ YouTube and Facebook pages, and are available to view Sunday afternoon, on or before 5:00 p.m. Caranda’s sermons are available each week on the All Saints website.

† Flowers in worship: Just a reminder that live flowers are only being included on the altar when presented by a donor. Silk arrangements are being used on other Sundays.

“For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat . . . .” Matt. 25:38

Our recently installed mini food cupboard by the church sign along Clearview Avenue is being used! We would appreciate your help in replenishing the shelves with non-perishable food items/contributions. Thank you for caring for our neighbors.

† Attendance and Offering Update

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Intercessory Prayers in the
Time of the COVID Pandemic

O God, our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble: In this challenging and uncertain time of global pandemic and public health crisis, we come before you offering our prayers on behalf of those in need, the Church and the world.

For the Church, that it may not grow weary of proclaiming the gospel of Christ and serve as beacon of hope to a suffering world. We pray for Michael, the Presiding Bishop, Audrey our diocesan Bishop, and all who minister in your name.

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For all affected by the coronavirus around the world. For the leaders of the nations that they may work together for the common good as the outbreak spreads. May barriers that divide be brought down that bonds of trust may be strengthened to benefit the entire human family.

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Grant public health and government officials in our nation the strength and will to act swiftly and decisively, with wisdom and compassion in service to all. We pray especially for Donald, President of the United States, the Congress, Tom, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, all governors, and elected officials in local municipalities.

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they have access to medical care and regain their strength and health; grant them your healing grace. Give strength to all who are caring for loved ones.

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For healthcare workers, who with hearts of service, stand on the front line of providing care. Grant them courage and protection as they put the needs of public safety before their own.

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Bless scientists and researchers around the world as they combat the virus, that their work may yield knowledge to develop a vaccine, treatments, and improved measures to reduce its spread.

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For the safety and well-being of all who travel and those who remain quarantined.

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Remove the presence of fear and anxiety from our hearts, that confident in your providence we may be generous in sharing our resources.

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*


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Grant that our churches and communities of faith may reflect your love, as they minister to the most vulnerable among us; fill them with your Holy Spirit as they work to be your healing hands and feet to all in need. **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

For those who have already lost loved ones to the virus and those who will yet suffer such loss that they may know the consolation of your love. **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

*(Adapted - Prayer from Gloucester Cathedral, offered at Washington National Cathedral)*
Directions for Outdoor Worship
In response to Covid-19 pandemic
All Saints Episcopal Church

*We are the Body of Christ, knit together in love, gathered in heart and spirit.*

As we adjust to gathering in person for worship – indoors or outdoors - our priority is for the physical and spiritual safety of all who come to worship with us, those seeking community and communion with one another and with Christ. We ask that all who worship with us adhere to and honor these directions for worship.

1. **Welcome and Appropriately Distanced Seating.** An usher will verbally greet worshipers without physical contact. Worshipers will be given a printed bulletin. Worshipers may seat themselves, being sure to maintain the 6-foot personal distancing space between family units or individuals. Ushers will assist if chairs are needed and with any seating concerns.

2. **Use of Masks** – A mask will be provided for anyone who comes to worship without one. Kindly show kindness to your neighbors by wearing your mask during the service. Please seek out an usher if you need a mask. Masks should be removed at the time of receiving Holy Communion, and put back on after receiving Communion.

3. **Attendance** – Attendance will be recorded each week. This is for the purpose of possible contract tracing if needed at a future time.

4. **Safety Precautions** -- Hand sanitizer will be available within the outdoor worship space. Please dispose of all personal refuse (tissues, masks) when leaving the worship area. Trash cans will be available for refuse disposal.

5. **Worship leadership** – All persons assisting with worship leadership (readers, chaliers, ushers, musicians) are expected to take their body temperature prior to the service. Temperatures must register less than 100.4 degrees in order for that person to be able to serve that morning.

6. **Worship Safety Instructions** will be reviewed at the start of each service.

7. **Receiving Holy Eucharist** – Each family unit, couple, or individual worshipper desiring to receive Communion will be directed to the front by an usher, maintaining 6 ft. personal distance between each family unit or individual receiving. Persons desiring to receive both bread and wine should pick up a small individual cup from trays at the front. Consecrated bread will be placed directly into a communicant’s hand. For those desiring to receive consecrated wine, the recipient should consume their Communion wafer, and then hold out their cup to be served the wine which will be poured directly into their cup by the minister serving the chalice. Ministers distributing Communion will wear masks during the distribution. Ministers will come to the seat and serve any worshiper unable to come forward to receive.
8. **A Prayer of Spiritual Communion** will be offered in each service for those who wish to worship in community but cannot be physically present or are not yet comfortable receiving Communion in person.

9. **Singing** – There will be no congregational singing during the service. Instrumental music and soloists may provide music.

10. **The Peace** will be shared with no physical contact, maintaining the safe distancing mandate. We can wave, nod, bow, or use other gestures to indicate our desire for peace for the other.

11. **An Offering Basket/Plate** will be available in the worship area for worshipers to contribute their offerings, either before or after the service.

12. **Worship Ministers** will consist of at least one usher, an acolyte/crucifer, lector, Eucharistic minister serving the chalice, and celebrant.

13. **Use of restrooms** - The two bathrooms available to worshipers are inside the church: one in the left corner of the church across from the nursery room/chapel area, and one in the stairwell landing leading downstairs, to the right when entering the front doors of the church, just outside the church office. Please speak to one of the ushers for assistance.

14. **Cleaning.** Disinfectant cleaning will occur after every worship service, and will include all Communion vessels, microphones, portable keyboard/electric piano, church chairs used for seating outdoors, indoor bathrooms, door handles, and light switches.

Thank you for your faithfulness and trust. We are grateful for your desire to gather in person for worship and in consideration of our neighbors. We are one Body, gathered in the love of Christ.
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