St. Paul’s Episcopal Church

Spreading the Word of God Since 1827

Father Robert McKay IV – Supply Priest

The Right Reverend Audrey Cady Scanlan – Bishop of Diocese of Central Pennsylvania

The Right Reverend Michael B. Curry – President Bishop of the Episcopal Church

The Most Reverend Justin Welby – Archbishop of Canterbury

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Communion will be served at the base of the first set of steps.
The handicapped entrance is through the Parish Hall.
A wheelchair is available.
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 30, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist Rite II, Year A

Organ Prelude  Lovely Appear (from "The Redemption")  
Charlee Gounod

Entrance and Acclamation  
The people standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia.  Christ is risen.  
Alleluia.  The Lord is risen indeed.  
Alleluia.

Opening Prayer  
The Celebrant may say (standing) (said by all)

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.

Gloria in Excelsis (all standing) (Said by all)
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on 
earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we 
worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for 
your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, 
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have 
mercy on us: you are seated at the right hand of the 
Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy

The Liturgy of the Word

Collect (all standing)

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. (Standing)

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

First Reading Exodus 3:1:15 (seated)

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.

The Word of the Lord. Response: Thanks be to God.
Psalm 165: 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!

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. Ame
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.

The Word of the Lord. (Response) Thanks be to God.
Then, all standing, the Priest reads:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 16:21-28

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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.
The Nicene Creed (Standing—Said by 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 to the People Form III (Kneeling)

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly  
serve you.  
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priest, and deacons, especially for Justir  
the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, the Presiding Bishop of  
the Episcopal Church, Audrey, the Bishop of the Diocese of  
Central Pa, Robert our Celebrant; the ministries of our local  
Episcopal Churches—St. Paul’s, Good Shepherd, Holy Trinity,  
St. Laurence and St. Andrew’s; the Anglican Cycle of Prayer—  
Pray for the United Church of South India and the Diocesan  
Cycle of Prayer—St. James, Bedford.  
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and  
Sacraments.
Pray for those in any need or trouble especially Isaac Conklin, Stephanie (Conklin) Beauvais, Bob Colyer, Jamie Roos Settles, Anna Jean Barnard, Teddy Conklin, Betty Dobson, Rhoda Ferrier, Betty Dzvonkowski, Christine Williams, Danael Osewalt, Fr. Bill Walker, Ron Shanafelt, Evelyn Melius, Caroline Crain, Kathy Hockenbury, Dennis Dixon, Patty Croft, Kathy Walker, Mona Wood, Carl & Mary Sprinkle, Sally Grove Ferrier, Walt Myers, Jean Melius Lance, Gertrude Clyde, Hunter Sallurday, Raymond Oncea, Cathy, Barb, Carol, Denny McDonald, Diane Hoover, Bill Housley and Terry Dobson.

Silence
I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence
I ask your prayers for the departed especially the Altar Flowers in the Glory of God and in Honor of our children-Jessica, Alexandria and Cyrus IV by Cyrus and Ruth Lanager. The Sanctuary Candle burns in the Glory of God and in Honor of Fr. McKay’s Birthday by The Church Family.

Silence
I ask your thanksgiving for the birthdays of: Fr. Bob McKay (30th), Evelyn Melius, Joanne Pastir (Sept. 2), and Regan Lucas Schempf (3rd). And for the Anniversary of Cyrus and Ruth Lanager (30th).

Silence
Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence
Confession and Absolution  The Celebrant says
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

(Minister and People)

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 Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all good-
ness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal
life. Amen.
The Peace (all stand) The Celebrant says to the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you. (Exchange in place)

Announcements:
Offertory Organ Music

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says:

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Preface of the season is said by the Celebrant.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Chimes
Celebrant and People

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.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues
Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arm upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.
All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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, the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen
(All baptized people are welcome to partake in Holy Communion)

The Breaking of the Bread & Holy Communion
(Center isle in front of steps)

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

* A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Celebrant   Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People   Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant continues

The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

* The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

* The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [Amen.]

Communion Organ Music
The Prayer of Thanksgiving

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People say together

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Benediction and Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words

The Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Be amongst you and remain with you always. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Response: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Prelude In G Minor

J. S. Bach
We thank the people who make our worship possible:
Celebrant: Father Robert McKay IV
Organist: William Burchill
August Ushers/Greeters: Kim Hummel & Amy Simpson
August Altar Guild: Kathy Dixon and Rich Harkless
Eucharistic Assistant: Robin McKay
(1st L) Karla Myers (Ps) Joanne Pastir, (2nd L) Diane Twist
There will be no Sunday School at this time.
There is no Coffee Hour after the service.
The Choir will not meet until further notice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Sept. 6-9AM 14th Sunday after Pentecost w/Fr. McKay
Sept. 10-6 to 8 PM Altoona Convocation Zoom Meeting
Sept. 13-9AM 15th Sunday after Pentecost w/Fr. McKay
Sept. 20-9AM 16th Sunday after Pentecost w/Fr. McKay
Sept. 21-7PM Vestry Meeting
Sept. 27-9AM 17th Sunday after Pentecost w/Fr. McKay

We ask that you add in prayer Jean Melius Lance who resides at Mtn. Laurel and recovering from surgery. Cards may be mailed to her at:
700 Leonard Street, Room 214
Clearfield, PA 16830

The next Newsletter will go out the middle of September. Please have announcements and schedules given to Weezie as soon as you can.

Thank you for coming to Church today!

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