

## Faith Episcopal Church at Wheeler Memorial Chapel

Welcome to The Rev. Susan Lesueur, Celebrant!

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost July 3,2022 Nancy Jamrog-Couret, Music Director;

Jane Howard & Dawn MacKechnie, Wardens

Eucharistic Minister: Rita MacAuslan. Lector: Bob Hughes

At 10:00, The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Welcome and Announcements

## Entrance Hymn #539 O Zion, haste, Thy mission high fulfilling

Collect: 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.

Celebrant: Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### The First Lesson - 2 Kings 5:1-14

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

#### Psalm 30 Exaltabo te, Domine

- 1 I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up \*and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you, \*and you restored me to health.
- 3 You brought me up. O LORD, from the dead; \*you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
- 4 Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; \*give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \*his favor for a lifetime.
- 6 Weeping may spend the night, \*but joy comes in the morning.

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- 7 While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. \*You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
- 8 Then you hid your face, \*and I was filled with fear.
- 9 I cried to you, O LORD; \*I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
- 10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? \*will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
- 11 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; \*O LORD, be my helper."
- 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; \*you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; \* O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

#### The Second Reading - Galatians 6:(1-6)7-16

[My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads.

Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.]

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The Gradual Hymn: Where cross the crowded ways p 609.

# The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.* Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Sermon - The Rev. Susan LeSueur

#### The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven & earth, of all that is, seen & 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 & apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead ffi and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Eucharistic Minister leads the Prayers of the People - from A New Zealand Prayer Prayer Book

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, giving thanks for God's goodness.

Caring God, we thank you for your gifts in creation: for our world, the heavens tell of your glory; for our land, its beauty and its resources, for the rich heritage we enjoy.

We pray for those who make decisions about natural resources, that we may use your gifts responsibly; for those who work on the land and sea, in city and in industry,

that all may enjoy the fruits of their labours and marvel at your creation;

for artists, scientists and visionaries, that through their work we may see creation afresh.

We thank you for giving us life; for all who enrich our experience.

We pray for all who are deprived of fulness of life, for prisoners, refugees, and those who are sick; for those in politics, medical science, social and relief work, and for your Church,

for all who seek to bring life to others.

We thank you that you have called us to celebrate your creation. Give us reverence for life in your world. We thank you for your redeeming love; may your word and sacrament strengthen us to love as you love us. Let us pray aloud or in silence for those in any need, infirmity or trouble ......(Please add your prayers.) God, Creator, bring us new life. Jesus, Redeemer, renew us. Holy Spirit, strengthen and guide us.

The Celebrant or Assistant invites Offerings of Thanksgiving - A donation is not required. Celebrant: Walk in love as Christ loved us & gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

As the altar is set with the gifts of bread & wine, Hymn: O beautiful for spacious skies p 719

Eucharistic Prayer C - In this prayer, the lines in italics are spoken by the People.



The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise. God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace. By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn: Hymn #785 from Wonder, Love and Praise

Santo, santo, mi corazon te adora! Mi corazon te sabe decir: santo eres Senor! Holy, holy, holy, My heart, my heart adores you! My heart is glad to say, the words: You are holy, Lord!

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them >!! by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, He broke the bread, 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." After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. *Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.* 

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, & worship, from generation to generation. AMEN

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

(Unison) 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, & the glory, for ever & ever. Amen.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

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

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.

All who sincerely wish to receive Holy Communion are welcome. For safety, we use individual bread you choose as well as individual cups - the bread is gluten free; the cups hold port wine. If you wish a blessing instead: please cross your arms over your chest.

## During Communion: Ukuthula (Song Sheet) -

After Communion, the Celebrant says, "Let us pray."

Unison: 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 Celebrant blesses the people.

Recessional Hymn: God of our Fathers p 718

Dismissal: God in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia! Ukuthula!

Response: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia! Ukuthula!

#### Announcements

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