

## **Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**October 8, 2023**

**WELCOME**

to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

a member of the Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**

Big Rapids, MI

Seeking every day to love God  
with our whole heart, mind, and soul, and  
to love our neighbors as ourselves.

**St. Mary's Episcopal Church**

Cadillac, MI

We strive to live out the Great  
Commandment: To love the Lord with all  
our heart, soul, and mind and to love our  
neighbors as ourselves.

If you have a faith or are seeking one, you are always welcome here.  
If you are visiting or looking for a spiritual home, we'd love to get to know you.

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

BCP, p. 355

**Processional Hymn**      *All stand as able.*      **Hymnal, #522, v1-3**

**Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity**

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

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

*The celebrant prays the collect for purity.*

**Song of Praise**      *We Are Called, Bulletin Insert*

**The Collect of the Day**

**Celebrant**    The Lord be with you.

**People**      **And also with you**

**Celebrant**    Let us pray. *The celebrant prays the collect of the day.*

**The Lessons**      *All sit as able. Text found in the bulletin insert.*

**First Reading**      **Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20**

*After the reading:*    **Reader**      **The Word of the Lord.**

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm**      **Psalm 19**

**Second Reading**      **Philippians 3:4b-14**

*After the reading:*    **Reader**      **The Word of the Lord.**

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Hymn**      *All stand as able.*

**Hymnal, #524, v1-3**

**The Holy Gospel**

**Matthew 21:33-46**

*Before the Gospel:*

**Celebrant**      Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

*After the Gospel:*

**Celebrant**      The Gospel of the Lord

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

**Homily**

**The Rev. James Mitchell**

**The Nicene Creed**      *Said in unison, all standing 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.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

## **Honoring God in Creation, Form 2**

*During the silence after each bidding, the people offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

Intercessor Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world,  
now and always. In the beginning,

**People God was.**

Intercessor Here and now,

**People God is.**

Intercessor In the future,

**People God will be.**

Intercessor Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us  
that we may be bold to heal and defend the earth, and pour your  
blessing upon all who work for the good of the planet.

*Silence* God, Giver of life,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For all people of faith, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Radha,  
our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant; Transfiguration,  
Indian River, For all deacons in the dioceses, Linda and Beth,  
Archdeacons, Building Bridges Committee Members, St. Martin of  
Tours, Kalamazoo – Mary, Rector; for all bishops and other ministers.  
We pray for all those in our diocese discerning calls to ministry, both

lay and ordained. In particular, we pray for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Priests, including Barrett, Alex, Matt, and Anne Marie, Abraham, John, Stephanie, Thon, Jessica, Julianne, Rachel, Cathy, Kathryn, Kris, Johnathan, Theresa. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Mary, Deb, Laura, Jennifer, Christi, Paige. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese.

*Silence*            God, Giver of life,

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor    Breath of life, receive our thanks for the beauty of our local habitat and all who dwell in it, and grant us the wisdom and will to conserve it.

*Silence*            God, Giver of life,

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor    Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer from our indifference, neglect, and greed.

*Silence*            God, Giver of life,

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor    Lover of all you have made, we thank you for the wondrous diversity of your creatures, and we pray for their well-being.

*Silence*            God, Giver of life,

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor    Author of the book of nature, receive our gratitude for places of restoration and healing, and continue to bless those places that feed our lives and spirits.

*Silence*            God, Giver of life,

**People            Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Wise Creator, whose works are full of mystery, give us wonder and appreciation for your creatures with whom we find ourselves in conflict.

*Silence* God, Giver of life,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings.

*Silence* God, Giver of life,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Divine Physician, heal our communities, especially those where neglect, greed, or violence inflict suffering upon people and other creatures.

*Silence* God, Giver of life,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For all who shape public policies affecting the planet and its creatures especially Joe, our president, Deb, our secretary of the interior, Michael, our EPA administrator, Gretchen, our governor, and Fred, our mayor, that they may consider wisely the well-being of all who come after us.

*Silence* God, Giver of life,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Comforter of all the earth, sustain the people of this congregation who desire or need your presence and help, especially those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Beth, Karen & Mark, Christi, Liz, Sharyn, Painter Family, Nan, Sally, Larry & Nancy, Jeffrey; the St. Mary's circle of prayer: Alice, Jennifer, Brian, Madi, Larry, Erin, Dorothea, Candy & Jim, Lonnie & Heather, Mike & Connie, Sharon & Family, Ron & Judy; and our family and friends in the armed forces and who are first

responders: Richard, Corey, Matt, Teylor, Tony, Kim, Drew, Jon, Sabastian, Noah, Eli, Jess.

*Silence* God, Giver of life,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died, especially those creatures that have died yet remain dear to us, that they may rejoice in your new creation.

*Silence* God, Giver of life,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Holy Immortal One: No sparrow falls without your knowing it; nothing dies but is remembered by you; nothing comes into being that you do not see. Give us courage and resolve to build up the common good, holding fast to the hope of a new creation in which all shall dwell eternally, through Jesus Christ, our Risen Savior. **Amen.**

**The Confession of Sin** *Said in unison, kneeling as able.*

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

**All 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.**

Celebrant 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**     *All stand as able.*  
**Celebrant**     The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**People**         **And also with you.**     *The people greet each other in the name of the Lord.*

## The Celebration of Special Days and Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**The Offertory**         *The celebrant says the offertory sentence.*

*While the offertory plates are brought to the altar, all sing:*

## The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

TEXT: Thomas Ken  
 MUSIC: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551; attributed to Louis Bourgeois

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## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP p. 361

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.**

*The celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response all sing:*

## The Sanctus

Hymnal, #S-129

*The people stand or kneel as able while the celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine. Then says:*

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The celebrant concludes with a prayer for the coming of God's reign. The people respond*

**AMEN.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has 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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then all sing:*

## The Fraction




Hymnal, #S-164

## The Invitation




Celebrant    The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All are welcome at God's table.*

*Please come forward and kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. Return to your pew by the side aisle. If you need communion brought to you, let an usher know.*

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD - You can either,		
	CONSUME	Hold out your hands and then eat the bread after it is placed in your hand.
	GLUTEN-FREE	If you require a gluten-free wafer, please clasp your hands.
	BLESSING	If you prefer not to receive, cross your arms for a blessing.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE WINE - You can either,		
	DRINK	Hold the base of the chalice and guide it to your lips to drink the wine.
	INTINCT	Hold up the bread. The minister will take the bread, dip it for you, and hand it back to you.
	NOT RECEIVE	Cross your arms. The minister will hold the chalice up, but you will not drink.

Communion Hymn

Hymnal, #693

**Prayer after Communion**

*All stand or kneel as able.*

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

**All** 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 Blessing**

*All stand as able while the celebrant blesses the people.*

**Recessional Hymn**

**Hymnal, #473**

**The Dismissal**

**Celebrant** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.



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