



## **Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 25, 2024**

**WELCOME**

to St. Mary'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.

## MORNING PRAYER, RITE II

### Opening Sentence

*The officiant opens with a sentence of scripture for the season.*

BCP, p. 78

### Confession of Sin

Officiant 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.**

Officiant Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Invitatory and Psalter** *All stand as able.*

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**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.**

### Antiphon

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

## The Jubilate

All 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.

The Psalm: Psalm 84

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*After the Psalm:*

All 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 Lessons

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First Reading

1 Kings 8:[1,6,10-11], 22-30, 41-43

*After the reading:*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## First Canticle

## Canticle 13, A Song of Praise

**All**    **Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \***  
          **you are worthy of praise; glory to you.**  
**Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \***  
          **we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \***  
          **on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.**  
**Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \***  
          **we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**Glory to you, beholding the depths; \***  
          **in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.**  
**Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \***  
          **we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

## Second Reading

Ephesians 6:10-20

After the reading:    **Reader**            **The Word of the Lord.**  
                                  **People**            **Thanks be to God.**

## Second Canticle

## Canticle 21, You are God

**All**    **You are God: we praise you;**  
          **You are the Lord; we acclaim you;**  
          **You are the eternal Father:**  
          **All creation worships you.**  
**To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,**  
**Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:**  
          **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**  
          **heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.  
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you;  
    Father, of majesty unbounded,  
    your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
    and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.  
You, Christ, are the king of glory,  
the eternal Son of the Father.  
When you became man to set us free  
you did not shun the Virgin's womb.  
You overcame the sting of death  
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
You are seated at God's right hand in glory.  
We believe that you will come and be our judge.  
    Come then, Lord, and help your people,  
    bought with the price of your own blood,  
    and bring us with your saints  
    to glory everlasting.

### Third Reading

John 6:56-69

After the reading:   Reader       The Word of the Lord.  
                          People       **Thanks be to God.**

**Reflection**   *The reflection may be a time of silence, a homily, or reading of a text.*

## **The Apostles' Creed**

*Said by all, standing as able.*

**All**            **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was  
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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**

*The people stand or kneel as able.*

**Officiant**    **The Lord be with you.**

**People**        **And also with you.**

**Officiant**    **Let us pray.**

**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.**

## Suffrages A

Officiant Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
**People And grant us your salvation.**

Officiant Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
**People Let your people sing with joy.**

Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
**People For only in you can we live in safety.**

Officiant Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
**People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Officiant Let your way be known upon earth;  
**People Your saving health among all nations.**

Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
**People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
**People And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

## The Collect of the Day

*The officiant prays the collect of the day, found in the bulletin insert.*

## The Prayers of the People

## *Praying the Scriptures*

Intercessor Brothers and sisters, the scriptures implore us to pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. So let us offer to God our prayer, saying, “Regard your servant’s prayer: **hear our plea, O Lord our God.**”

O Lord of hosts, happy are they who put their trust in you: behold your Church, O God; defend your children against the wiles of the devil. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-elect; Skip, our Assisting Bishop; Nurya, our canon; Radha, our Rector;

our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant; The Coppage Gordon School for Ministry; St. Luke's, Kalamazoo – Randall, Rector. 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 Abraham, John, Jonathan, Stephanie, Thon, Jess, Julianne, Barrett, Matt, Kris, Anne, Johnathon, Theresa and Janet. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Kathryn, Jennifer, Laura, Rachel, Cathy, Deb, Paige, and Rose. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese. *Silence*

Regard your servant's prayer;

**People** **Hear our plea, O Lord our God.**

Intercessor O Lord, you bless with good things those who walk with integrity: behold your world, O God; may your grace and glory shine like the sun over the nations. *Silence*

Regard your servant's prayer;

**People** **Hear our plea, O Lord our God.**

Intercessor We pray for those in positions of authority in our country and in the world, especially Joe, our president; Gretchen our governor; Carla, our mayor. *Silence*

Regard your servant's prayer;

**People** **Hear our plea, O Lord our God.**

Intercessor Mighty Creator, you make a home in your presence for even the littlest sparrow: behold the stewards of creation, O God; may we live at peace with all you have made. *Silence*

Regard your servant's prayer;

**People** **Hear our plea, O Lord our God.**



Intercessor Strong Lord, in your presence desolate valleys burst forth with springs of water: behold those struggling with addiction; defend and free them from the powers of their present darkness that they may walk in light and clarity all the days of their lives. *Silence*

Regard your servant's prayer;

**People Hear our plea, O Lord our God.**

Intercessor Holy One of God, your words are spirit and life: behold those in need of prayer this day; restore all to wholeness and health by your powerful touch. We pray for those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer: J.P., Laura, Cara, Erin, Jimmy, Mike, Keith, Gary, Fred; For those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Nan, Sally, Krystal, Kevin, Chris, Jerry, Carolyn, Mary, Bob & Lorraine, Raymond & Carolyn, Logan; For 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, Wesley, Owen; And for all those we name at this time. *Silence*

Regard your servant's prayer;

**People Hear our plea, O Lord our God.**

Intercessor Lord Christ, Living Bread, you offer yourself that we might live forever: in your compassion, look upon the dying and the dead. *Silence*

Regard your servant's prayer;

**People Hear our plea, O Lord our God.**

Officiant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The General Thanksgiving**     *Said in unison*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

## **The Celebration of Special Days and Announcements**

For a Birthday

Pew Card

For an Anniversary

BCP 431, first prayer

Travelers

BCP 831, #53

## The Dismissal and Concluding Sentence

Officiant Let us bless the Lord

**People Thanks be to God.**

Officiant Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Ephesians 3:20,21*

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