



Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 22, 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 1

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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

Bulletin Insert

First Reading

Proverbs 31:10-31

After the reading:

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

First Canticle

Canticle 18, A Song to the Lamb

All Splendor and honor and kingly power
are yours by right, O Lord our God,
For you created everything that is,
and by your will they were created and have their being;
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain,
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,
From every family, language, people, and nation,
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.
And so, to him who sits upon the throne,
and to Christ the Lamb,
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor,
for ever and for evermore.

Second Reading

James 3:13-4:3, 8-8a

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

Second Canticle

Canticle 19, The Song of the Redeemed

All O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
great deeds are they that you have done,
surpassing human understanding.
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth,
O King of all the ages.
Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,
and sing the praises of your Name?
for you only are the Holy One.

All nations will draw near and fall down before you,
because your just and holy works have been revealed.
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.

Third Reading

Mark 9:30-37

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 Friends, draw near to God, and God will draw near to you. With open and humble hearts, let us pray, saying, “We have asked wrongly before, O Lord; **may this request be righteous.**”

Give to your Church, O God, wisdom from above. Let us be known as people of peace, gentleness, and mercy. 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. Trinity, Niles – Kathy, Sr. Warden; Transfiguration, Indian River - Kathy, Sr. Warden. 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, aurie, Jonathan, Kathryn, Stephanie, Thon, Jess, Julianne, Matt, Cathy, Kris, Theresa, Janet. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Jennifer, Chris, Laura, Deb, Paige. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese. *Silence*

We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People May this request be righteous.

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

We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People May this request be righteous.

Intercessor Lover of souls, we pray for all women and girls around the world. May those who have been oppressed and ignored walk with strength and dignity. We thank you, O God, for women.

We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People **May this request be righteous.**

Intercessor O God, we pray for this earth, our island home. May we not be anxious about earthly things, but give us hope that you are refreshing the resources that we have exploited and misused. *Silence*

We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People **May this request be righteous.**

Intercessor Heavenly Father, your son was betrayed, arrested, and killed: be with all captives and prisoners. Fill us with your mercy and wisdom. May our lives show forth the way of the righteous. *Silence*

We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People **May this request be righteous.**

Intercessor Holy God, we ask you to strengthen and heal our ailing loved ones. Bring forth in them good fruit and prosper all that they do in Jesus' name. We pray for those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer: J.P., Cara, Erin, Jimmy, Mike, Keith, Gary, Fred, Jerry, Janet; For those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Nan, Sally, Krystal, Kevin, Chris, Jerry, Carolyn, Mary, Bob & Lorraine, Raymond & Carolyn, Logan, Greg, Elizabeth, Mark, Eileen, Brand Family; 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*

We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People **May this request be righteous.**

Intercessor Lord, we pray for those who have died. We thank you for those who have showed us faith and wisdom. May we, following the example of our forebears, hold fast to those things that shall endure. *Silence*
We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People **May this request be righteous.**

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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