

The First Lesson

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

The Psalm Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20

Voce mea ad Dominum

- 1 I will cry aloud to God; I will cry aloud, and he will hear me.
- 2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire; I refused to be comforted.
- 11 I will remember the works of the Lord, and call to mind your wonders of old time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your acts and ponder your mighty deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is holy; who is so great a god as our God?

- 14 You are the God who works wonders and have declared your power among the peoples.
- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your people, the children of Jacob and Joseph.
- 16 The waters saw you, O God; the waters saw you and trembled; the very depths were shaken.
- 17 The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered; your arrows flashed to and fro;
- 18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings lit up the world; the earth trembled and shook.
- 19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great waters, yet your footsteps were not seen.
- 20 You led your people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Said together:

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.

Second Lesson

Galatians 5:1,13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Hymn He who would valiant be 'gainst all disaster

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Gospel Lesson

Luke 9:51-62

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Written about 325 AD, this is the ancient statement of our faith

Prayers of the People (Form IV)

BCP 388

Confession & Absolution BCP 360

We confess our sins and are reassured of our pardon

The Peace *We share the joy of the Good News!*

The Liturgy of the Eucharist, sometimes called *the Mass*

Offertory

Presentation of Gifts and Tithes

*To Thee, great One in Three,
The highest praises be, hence evermore;
thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore,*

From Hymn 365 vs. 4

Eucharistic Prayer “A” BCP 361

Sanctus Words in BCP, Musical Setting H-S 129

Memorial Acclamation H-S 132

The Lord’s Prayer BCP 364

Fraction Anthem H-S 152

The Distribution of the Holy Sacrament

All baptized Christians, of any tradition, are welcome to receive the sacrament. Everyone, regardless of faith, is welcome to receive a blessing—simply cross your arms in front of you as the priest comes by. It is the tradition of this parish that 12 to 14 people at a time receive Communion at the altar rail, at which point all are dismissed together to return to their seats, and another group may move forward to the rail.

Gluten free wafers are available to those who request them.

Communion Hymns

Bread of the world, in mercy broken H 301

My God, accept my heart this day H 697

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us H 559

Our Prayer after Communion BCP 366

Hymn *The Church’s one foundation* H 525

The Dismissal

We are dismissed from this gathering to go into the world to spread the Good News and the love of Christ! We respond to this instruction with: *Thanks be to God!*

The Altar Flowers are given today by
Jim and Susanne Pulse in memory of loved ones.

Last Sunday Attendance 55

Following our service will be Coffee Hour, hosted today by Jim and Susanne Pulse. This is a time for us to have fellowship, share our joys and sorrows, and get to know one another. It is very much an extension of the communal feast we share in the Holy Eucharist. Please join us!

Participants in Today’s Liturgy

Acolyte Becky Beckett

Lectors Delia Kersey Becky Beckett

Chalicians Becky Beckett

Altar Guild Patty Richardson Staci Thomas Becky Beckett

Chris Justice Emma Slater

Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Dorene Dimes, Wanda Myers, Bonnie Taylor, Joe Sanders, Lee Puckett, Sr., Kerrigan Farmer, Mabeline & Elton Robinson, Bea Paine, Charlotte Woolwine, Lynn Burney, Marilyn Denney, Michelle Parks, Shirley Weaver, Will Calfee, Doug Bloomfield, Paul Anderson, Deane Family, Donna Fortune, Edie Perkins, Deanna Edwards, Elizabeth Kane, Jerry and Debbie, Nina and family, Vera van der Sleen, Marion Lowe Eppard, Marlene, Bluefield College Choir.



Birthdays This Week: Jarrod Sudduth, Wendy Harris, William Clement, Erin Elam Simon.

Calendar of Events

Sunday – July 14 Bagging groceries after church

Tuesday – July 16 DOK meeting 10:30am

Meal for Wade Center Volunteers 6:00pm

Thursday – July 18 Food Pantry 9:00-11:00am



Clergy, Staff, and Wardens of this Parish

The Rev. Chad Slater Rector

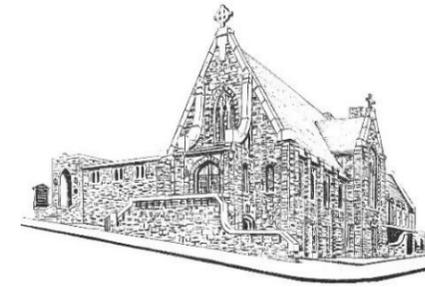
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Mrs. Becky Beckett Senior Warden

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The 3rd Sunday After Pentecost

and being Proper VIII of the Church Year

Welcome to this Place of Prayer

If you are new or visiting this congregation for the first time we invite you to fill out a Visitor’s Card (found on the rack in front of you) and place it in the collect plate as it is passed. We are honored you have chosen to worship with us today and hope that you will continue your faith journey here.

This bulletin will help guide you through today’s service. The abbreviation “H” stands for “Hymnal.” This is the larger red book located on the shelf in front of you. That music noted as “H-S” followed by a number is service music, and is found in the very first pages of the Hymnal. “BCP” is our abbreviation for “Book of Common Prayer,” which is the smaller red book.

The Liturgy of the Word

Hymn *God of the prophet, bless the prophets’ heirs!* H 359

The Service Begins BCP 355

Gloria in Excelsis H-S 280

The text to this ancient hymn of praise is found in the BCP

The Collect

Our collective prayer for the day.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.