

Parish of Mississippi Lake

Sunday, September 6, 2020

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost



Christ Church Ashton at 9:00 am - Rev. Canon Mary Ellen Berry

St James Franktown at 9:00 am - Rev. Rosemary Parker

St John's Innisville at 11:00 am - Rev. Rosemary Parker

St James Carleton Place at 9:00 am - Ven. Brian Kauk

Livestreamed Service at 9:00 am - Parish of Mississippi Lake Facebook Page

St Bede's Nolan's Corners - Starts September 13th at 11:00 am

Thank you for joining us for worship today! For those at home, remember to have your Candle and Prayer Space ready.

Prelude

We are gathering today on the traditional territory of the Algonquin people. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace. For those who maybe be watching this from beyond our parish, we invite you to acknowledge the traditional territory you are on today.

The Gathering of the Community

The Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

The Preparation for Worship

As the leader lights the altar candles at church, those participating online are invited to light their own candles at home.

God, our light and salvation, in your name, we light these candles. May they remind us of the beauty and truth of your love. And may our hearts be open to the light of Christ, and the movement of the Spirit.

God, in your mercy, let there be light.

Collect of the Day

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people,
that richly bearing the fruit of good works,
we may by you be richly rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Exodus 12: 1-14

A reading from the Book of Exodus

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I

am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 149

Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

Let Israel rejoice in his maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.

Let them praise his name in the dance;
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

For the Lord takes pleasure in his people
and adorns the poor with victory.

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;
let them be joyful on their beds.

Let the praises of God be in their throat
and a two-edged sword in their hand;

To wreak vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples;

To bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron;

To inflict on them the judgement decreed;
this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Matthew
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Prayers of the People

O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Southern Africa. In the Canadian Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land. In our Diocese, we pray for +Shane our Bishop. For St. James, Leitrim and All Saints, Greely – The Revd. Joan Riding, Interim Priest-in-Charge. St. Mary's, Russell – The Revd. Dr. Anne Quick, Interim Priest-in-Charge. We pray for all who labour for the good of our society on this Labour Day weekend and for our congregations as we return to our churches. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach us to use your creation for your greater praise, that all may share the good things you provide. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body or in mind. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Watch over teachers and students as they return to school. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Set free all who are bound by fear and despair. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who are dying, and your comfort to those who mourn. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbour.

**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 neighbours 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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

We are the body of Christ; in the one Spirit,
we were all baptized into one body.

Let us pursue all that makes for peace,
and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you!
And also with you.

Remaining in your seats, bow to those around you.

Musical Offering

The Holy Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer

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 our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Redeemer. [...]

Now, with all creation, we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; [...]

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit, in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, 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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

*Please remain in your seats, and sanitize your hands.
The celebrant will distribute communion down in the pews.
When the celebrant has left your area of the church,
briefly remove your mask to receive the host,
put your mask back on, and then sanitize your hands again.*

Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the Blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Please leave the church building as directed, and head safely home.

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