

St. Monica's Episcopal Church

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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 21

September 25th & 26th, 2021

The Service begins with the Lighting of the Candles and the Organ Voluntary.

Please use this time for *silent prayer* and *meditation*.

The altar flowers are given today by Betty Devlin in honor of Matt Devlin in celebration of his birthday.

Voluntary

Prelude in C Major

David Johnson

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn in Procession

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn 376

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People Glory to God fore ever and ever.

Song of Praise

Canticle 13: *Benedictus es, Domine*

John Rutter, S - 236

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.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Word of God

Please Be Seated

The First Lesson

Numbers 11 : 4 - 6, 10 - 16, 24 - 29

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at." Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should

say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,’ to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.” So the Lord said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.” So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!”

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

Psalm

Caeli enarrant

Psalm 19 : 7 - 14

Tone VIII.1



- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and re/vives the soul;*
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom / to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just and re/joyce the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear and / gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ev/er; *
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous / altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than / much fine gold,*
sweeter far than honey, than / honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant en/lightened,*
and in keeping them / there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often / he offends? *
cleanse me / from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion o/ver me; *
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent / of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your / sight,*
O LORD, my strength and / my redeemer.

The Second Lesson

James 5 : 13 - 20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain

and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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

Please Stand

Gradual Hymn

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

Hymn 609

The Gospel

Mark 9 : 38 - 50

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves and be at peace with one another."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Jonathan W. Evans

Please Stand

The Nicene Creed

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.

Please Stand or Kneel

The Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church.

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you.

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake.

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief, sickness, or trouble; especially for Pat Kearns.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; especially for Paul Naso.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy.

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others who are serving in our Armed Forces: Katie Coston, Noah Evans, Sal Filardi Jr, Dane Grauer, Devin Harrity, Emma McHenry, Kate McHenry-Evans, Schaeffer McHenry-Grauer, Troy Nelson, Tristan Pate, James Pyles, Doug Ross, Drew Scullard, Daniel Williams, Peter Witte. Those whose birthdays we celebrate this week: Philip Baker, Sue Baker, Samantha Boddicker, Cassidy Buck, Matthew Devlin, Rose Garfield, Kjell Johansen, Doug Lindsay, Rankin Lusby, Bob Lyons, John Martiner, Lydia McCurdy, Kenneth Poppele; as well as those celebrating anniversaries this week: James and Grace Parker, John and Heidi Varsames, Scott and Stacey McCurdy.

Silence

Concluding Collect

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be observed.

All God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. **Amen.**

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

Please Stand

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offering and come into his courts.

During the Offering

5 PM

Voluntary in F Major

David Johnson

10 AM

Teach Me, O Lord, the Way of Thy Statutes
St. Monica's Choir

Thomas Attwood

Please Stand

Offertory Hymn

The Doxology with Alleluias

Tune: *Lasst uns erfreuen*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1

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 continues:

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

David Hurd, S - 124

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

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues:

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

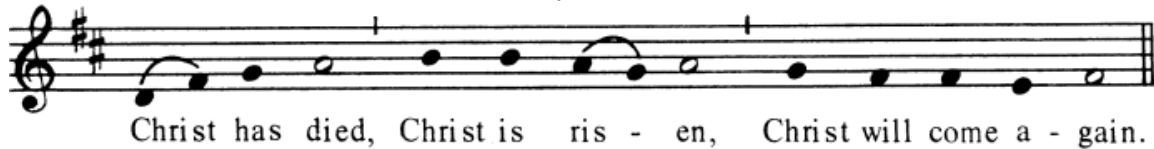
On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation

Music by David Hurd



The Celebrant continues:

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Monica and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

Great Amen

Music by David Hurd



The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.*

Fraction Anthem

God's Paschal Lamb

WLP 880, vs. 1 Tune: *Sine nomine*

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us; Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;
forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth. Alleluia, alleluia.

Communion Motet (10:00 AM)

Ave verum corpus

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

St. Monica's Choir

Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary; Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for all; Whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood. Be for us a foretaste [of heaven] in the hour of death.

You are invited and encouraged to come to God's table. The communion bread is received on an outstretched palm.

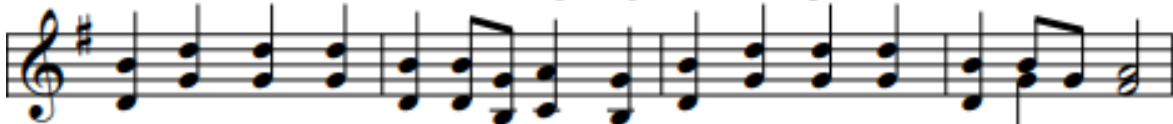
If you wish to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest.



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

Please Stand

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

The Blessing

Celebrant God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

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

Hymn in Procession

Lord Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Hymn 344

Voluntary

Processional in E - Flat Major

David Johnson