

# ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

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THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

9:00 & 11:15A.M.

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

## \*WELCOME

## PRELUDE

*The People stand as able.*

## HYMN

All creatures of our God and King (vs. 1-4)

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

*(follow along as only the cantor sings)*

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| 1. All creatures of our God and King,<br>lift up your voices, let us sing:<br>alleluia, alleluia!<br>Bright burning sun with golden beams,<br>Pale silver moon that gently gleams,<br>O praise him, O praise him,<br>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!    | 2. Great rushing winds and breezes soft,<br>you clouds that ride the heavens aloft,<br>O praise him, Alleluia!<br>Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice,<br>stars nightly shining, find a voice:<br>O praise him, O praise him,<br>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! |
| 3. Swift flowing water, pure and clear,<br>make music for your Lord to hear,<br>alleluia, alleluia!<br>Fire, so intense and fiercely bright,<br>you give to us both warmth and light,<br>O praise him, O praise him,<br>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! | 4. Dear mother earth, you day by day<br>unfold your blessings on our way;<br>O praise him, Alleluia!<br>All flowers and fruits that in you grow,<br>let them his glory also show:<br>O praise him, O praise him,<br>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!                |

*The People remain standing as they are able.*

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## KYRIE ELEISON

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.  
*People* **Christ, have mercy.**  
*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The People are seated.*

## FIRST LESSON

Exodus 14:19-31

A lesson from the book of Exodus.

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

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

**PSALM 103:1-13** *(read by the lector)*

- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, \*  
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.
- 2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, \*  
and forget not all his benefits.
- 3 He forgives all your sins \*  
and heals all your infirmities;
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave \*  
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, \*  
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
- 6 The Lord executes righteousness \*  
and judgment for all who are oppressed.
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses \*  
and his works to the children of Israel.]
- 8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 He will not always accuse us, \*  
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, \*  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, \*  
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, \*  
so far has he removed our sins from us.
- 13 As a father cares for his children, \*  
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

*The People stand as they are able.*

**HYMN**

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah  
*(follow along as only the cantor sings)*

*Cwm Rhondda*

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| 1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,<br>pilgrim though this barren land;<br>I am weak, but thou art mighty;<br>hold me with thy powerful hand;<br>bread of heaven,<br>bread of heaven,<br>feed me now and evermore,<br>feed me now and evermore. | 2. Open now the crystal fountain,<br>whence the healing stream doth flow;<br>let the fire and cloudy pillar<br>lead me all my journey through;<br>strong deliverer,<br>strong deliverer,<br>be thou still my strength and shield,<br>be thou still my strength and shield. |
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3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death, and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side;  
songs of praises,  
songs of praises,  
I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.

## GOSPEL

Matthew 18:21-35

*Priest*            The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

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

## SERMON

The Rev. Peter W. Mayer

*The People stand as they are able.*

## NICENE CREED

*The Celebrant recites for the People*

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.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Form IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

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.**

## **CONFESSION**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbors.

*The Celebrant recites for the People*

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.**

## ABSOLUTION

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

## PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*Please be seated and respect physical distancing requirements.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# HOLY COMMUNION

*The People stand as they are able.*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B

*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 God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever proclaim the glory of your Name:

*The Celebrant recites for the People*

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.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*The Celebrant recites for the People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Margaret, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

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

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant* God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.

*People* **Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived and died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The people are seated. Ushers will indicate when it is time to go to the front to receive. Gluten-free wafers are available for communion. Indicate your wish for a gluten-free wafer by first extending your hands palms down. The square wafers are kept in a separate holder and you are invited to take one from this holder. Wine will not be used at this time due to Covid guidelines.

## COMMUNION MUSIC

Here, O my Lord

Eleanor Daley

*Here, O my Lord I see thee face to face, here would I touch and handle things unseen,  
here grasp with firmer hand th'eternal grace, and all my weariness upon thee lean.  
Here would I feed upon the bread of God, here drink with Thee, the royal wine of heav'n,  
here would I pay aside each earthly load, and taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.  
This is the hour of banquet and of song, this is the heav'nly table spread for me,  
here let me feast, and feasting still prolong the brief bright hour of fellowship with thee. Amen.*

After Communion, the People stand as able when directed.

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant recites for the People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## HYMN

All creatures of our God and King (vs. 5-7)  
*(follow along as only the cantor sings)*

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

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| 5. All you with mercy in your heart,<br>forgiving others, take your part,<br>O sing now: Alleluia!<br>All you that pain and sorrow bear,<br>praise God, and cast on him your care:<br>O praise him, O praise him,<br>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!    | 6. And even you, most gentle death,<br>waiting to hush our final breath,<br>O praise him, Alleluia!<br>You lead back home the child of God,<br>for Christ our Lord that way has trod:<br>O praise him, O praise him,<br>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! |
| 7. Let all things their creator bless,<br>and worship him in humbleness,<br>O praise him, Alleluia!<br>Praise God the Father, praise the Son,<br>and praise the Spirit, Three in One:<br>O praise him, O praise him,<br>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! |   |

## DISMISSAL

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

## POSTLUDE