

COMMUNION HYMN 325: "Let us break bread together on our knees"

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP 339):

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

***FINAL HYMN 523:** "Glorious things of thee are spoken" *Abbot's Leigh*
POSTLUDE: "Fanfare" Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens (1823-1881)

Today's Celebrant & Servers:

Officiant-The Reverend Matthew R. Stromberg, Rector

Organist & Director of Music: Andrew Krystopolski

Associate Organist: Jeffrey Wengrovius

Crucifer-, Alice Pumbo, Steve Hartz, or Colton Jaquith

Thurifer- Chris Henry Acolytes: J.J Moran , Anna Thiessen

MC 9 AM-David Kennison, Lector 11:15 AM Kevin Grace or Alice Pumbo

Greeters: Johnnie & Nancy Angus

Lector 9 AM: Mike Todt

Counters: Chris Henry and Paul Smilgelski

WELCOME GUESTS-We are glad that you are with us today! Please complete a visitor card and give it to Father Matt as you leave and please consider joining us for a coffee reception in the Great Hall after the service. Please note that Sunday School is available for children ages 3-8 during the 9:00am service upstairs in the Great Hall.

CHANGE IN SUNDAY MASS TIMES: After conducting a parish wide survey, Fr. Matt has decided to change our Sunday worship schedule. The new times will be 8AM Mass Rite II in the chapel, 10 AM MASS Rite I in the Church. There will be a service of Morning Prayer 7:30 before the 8AM Mass, A brief Bible study in the Library between services at 9:10, and a fellowship time following the 10AM Mass. **The Changes will go into effect beginning September 17.**

MASS ON THE GRASS: Say farewell to summer at Saint George's by joining us for worship outside in our rose garden during our 9AM Mass on September 10th. Bring a comfy chair and maybe one to share with a friend. Weather permitting of course!

START-UP SUNDAY : September 17. The first Sunday of our new mass times! Father John Wengrovius, Jeff's brother, will kick off our stewardship campaign as our guest preacher. Information and sign up sheets for our various ministries will be available in the Great Hall. There will be a pot luck lunch following the 10am service.

BOOK STUDY: *What Is the Bible?: How an Ancient Library of Poems, Letters, and Stories Can Transform the Way You Think and Feel About Everything* is a new book by Rob Bell. It challenges readers to take a fresh look at the Bible and discover its continual relevance for modern life. Fr. Matt will host a "Theology on Tap" discussion of the book. We will meet September 14 7:00PM at the Van Dyck.

CONFIRMATION CLASS- Have you been Confirmed in the Episcopal Church? Have you been Confirmed in another church but never formally received as an Episcopalian? Are you interested in participating in an Episcopal Church 101 type class? We are interested in putting something together. Email us at office@stgeorgesschenectady.org

STOCKADE ART SHOW On September 9, St. George's will be in the center of The Stockade Art Show. Our Café will boom with hungry art lovers, the church doors will be open to visitors, and our Moller Pipe Organ will be heard throughout

the day in six half hour concerts played by different organists. St. George's Café will need help serving, grilling, setting up, cleaning up, and in the kitchen. Look for a sign-up sheet in the back of the church. Please join us, even for part of the day. Contact Joan Pearson or Kevin Grace with questions

MUMS SALE Put in your order now! \$8 each 2 for 15. You can find an order form in the back of the church or email Kevin at Rag54321@aol.com.

CITY MISSION FOOD PANTRY-St George's maintains ongoing support through donations to the City Mission Food Pantry. Please remember the food pantry when doing your grocery shopping as your contributions assist those who are not able to consistently realize proper nutrition for themselves or their families.

BOOK CLUB The club is reading the Colson Whitehead novel "The Underground Railroad." **Note the time change.** Due to changes in our Sunday schedule and another event on the original date, the time has been changed to September 24 in the library following the 10AM Mass.

This Week at St. George's

Sunday, August 27 *THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST*

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite I

11:15 AM Mass, Rite I

Monday, August 28 (Rectors day off) Augustine, Bishop of Hippo

Tuesday, August 29 The Beheading of John the Baptist

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite I

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Wednesday, August 30 Charles Chapman Grafton

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite II

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Thursday, August 31 Aidan, Bishop of Lindisfarne

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite II

6:30 PM Evening Prayer

7:00 PM Vestry Meeting

Friday, September 1 David Pendleton Oakerhater

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

12:15 PM Mass, Rite II

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Saturday, September 2 The Martyrs of New Guinea

Parish Intercessions-Dorothy, Larry, Bob H., Joan P., Jill, Aileen, Craig, Shirley, Nicholas, Kate, Robert H., Martha, Loren & family, Pat, Dagmar Mary, Pat R., Amelia, Andrea, Carolyn, Douglas, Louisa, Alice, Patricia, Dean, Katherine, Ken, Polly, and Jonah

Congratulations to Anne Kennison who is retiring this week!

Birthdays: Kevin Grace 9/28, Judy Delong 9/2

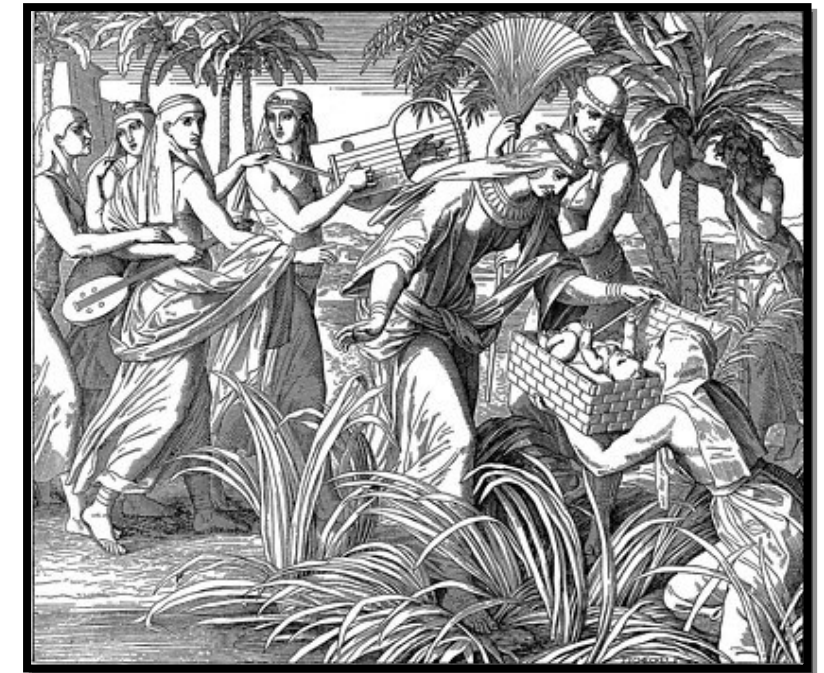
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August 27, 2017

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost, Proper 16

PRELUDE in Classic Style

* Stand for all hymns
Gordon Young (1919-1998)

Jeff Wengrovius, piano / Andrew Krystopolski, organ

HYMN 525: "The Church's one foundation" *Aurelia*

INTROIT: *And I will give thee hidden riches of secret places that thou mayest know that I who called thee by thy name; that I am the God of Israel. Deliver me, O Lord, from my enemies. I flee unto thee to hide me. Glory be...*

OPENING SENTENCE (BCP 323):

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

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP 323)

kneel

Celebrant begins: Let us pray

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

KYRIE ELEISON "Communion Service in Eb" by L.J. White

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *This music is found on the card in your pew* *stand*

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

kneel

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful God, that thy Church, being gathered together in unity by thy Holy Spirit, may manifest thy power among all peoples, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

THE FIRST READING: Exodus 1:8-2:10

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, “Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, “When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.” But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?” The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.”

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 124 Nisi quia Dominus**

1 If the Lord had not been / on our / side, *
let / Isra /el now / say;
2 If the Lord had not been / on our / side, *
when / enemies rose / up a / gainst us;
3 Then would they have swallowed us / up a / live *
in / their fierce / anger / toward us;
4 Then would the waters have / over / whelmed us *
— / and the / torrent gone / over us;
5 Then would the / raging / waters *
have / gone right / over / us.
6 Blessed / be the / Lord! *
he has not given us over to / be a / prey for their / teeth.
7 We have escaped like a bird from the / snare of the / fowler; *
the snare is broken; / and we / have es / caped.
8 Our help is in the / Name of the / Lord, *
the / maker of / heaven and / earth.

THE EPISTLE: Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God -- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*SEQUENCE HYMN 254: “You are the Christ, O Lord” *Wyngate Canon*

ALLELUIA: *Come let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20

stand

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to thee, O Christ

THE SERMON

Fr. Matthew Stromberg

NICENE CREED (BCP 327)

stand

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP 328)**CONFESSION (BCP 331)**

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we earnestly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen .

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE: *O that thou wouldst rend the heavens and come down; that the mountains might quake at thy presence; and that the nations might tremble at thy presence.*

*OFFERTORY HYMN 504: “Come, Holy Ghost” *Veni Creator Spiritus*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (BCP 333)

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings:

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant: *It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God... Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying...*

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS: *This music is found on the card in your pew*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I: (BCP 334)

kneel

LORD’S PRAYER *This music is found on the card in your pew*

THE FRACTION (BCP 337):

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

People: Therefore Let us keep the feast

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you

People: And with thy spirit

AGNUS DEI *This music is found on the card in your pew*

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP 337):

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant: Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world

People: Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof but speak the word only and I shall be healed

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION:

(All baptized Christians may receive, regardless of age or denomination.)

COMMUNION SENTENCE: *From of old no one hath heard or perceived by the ear; no eye hath seen a God beside thee who works for those that wait upon him.*