

# ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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MORNING PRAYER II  
THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
September 13, 2020



"The LORD is full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and of great kindness.  
~Psalm 103:8

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Opening Acclamation

(BCP Page 78)

*Officiant*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ ~ *Philippians 1:2*

Confession of Sin

(BCP Page 79)

*Officiant says to the people*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

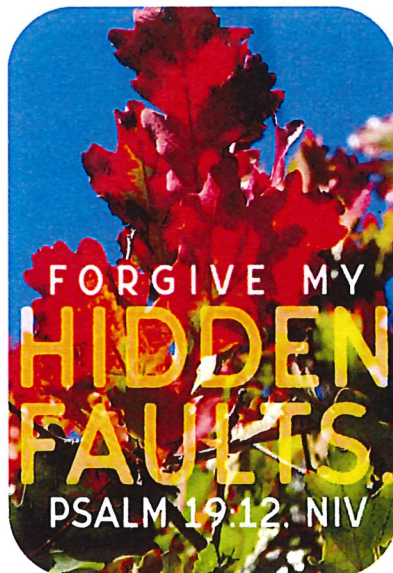
*Officiant and People*

*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.*

*Officiant*

(BCP Page 80)

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.*



## The Invitatory and Psalter

(BCP Pages 80-81)

*Officiant:* Lord, open our lips.

*People:* *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

*Officiant and People :*

*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.*

*Pause.*

*Officiant:*

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.

(BCP Page 81)

## Jubilate Psalm 100

(BCP Pages 82-83)

*Officiant and People*

*Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.*

*Know this: The Lord himself is God;  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.*

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.*

*For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting;  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.*

**Exodus 15:1b-11,20-21** (*The Song of Miriam*)

*Officiant and People*

"I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;  
horse and rider he has thrown into the sea.

The LORD is my strength and my might,  
and he has become my salvation;  
this is my God, and I will praise him,  
my father's God, and I will exalt him.

The LORD is a warrior;  
the LORD is his name.

"Pharaoh's chariots and his army he cast into the sea;  
his picked officers were sunk in the Red Sea.

The floods covered them;  
they went down into the depths like a stone.  
Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power--  
your right hand, O LORD, shattered the enemy.

In the greatness of your majesty you overthrew your adversaries;  
you sent out your fury, it consumed them like stubble.

At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up,  
the floods stood up in a heap;  
the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.

The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake,  
I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them.  
I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.'

You blew with your wind, the sea covered them;  
they sank like lead in the mighty waters.

"Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?  
Who is like you, majestic in holiness,  
awesome in splendor, doing wonders?"

Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing.

And Miriam sang to them:

"Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;  
horse and rider he has thrown into the sea."

*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.*

## THE LESSONS

### A Reading from Exodus 14:19-31

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.

*Officiant:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

## Hymn: Sing Now With Joy Unto the Lord

(Hymn 425)



1. Sing now with joy un - to the Lord, for he has tri - umphed glo - rious-ly! The  
2. God is our strength, he is our song, he saved us from our en - e - my. All  
3. He on - ly is the might-y Lord. He on - ly can des - troy the foe. He



1. horse, the rid - er, and the sword he cast in - to the rag - ing sea.  
2. praise and thanks to him be - long who came to set his peo - ple free.  
3. on - ly is to be a - dored for he a - lone can strength be-stow.



## A Reading from Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

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## A Reading from Romans 14:1-12

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,  
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

*Officiant*      The word of the Lord.

*People*          *Thanks be to God.*

## Hymn: Lord, Give Us Your Spirit

(Hymn C-203)

*Refrain*

Lord, give us your Spi - rit, your Spi - rit that is love. Lord, fill us with your

*Verses*

life, free - ly giv - en for the world.      1. Where chil - dren cry let us  
2. Where there is pain let us  
3. Where peo - ple hate let us

*to Refrain*

1. wipe their tears a - way, and where chil - dren fall let us raise them to their feet.  
2. be your heal - ing hands, and where there is grief let us com - fort with your love.  
3. dwell a - mong them with love, and where peo - ple fight let us bind their deep - est wounds.

## A Reading from Matthew 18:21-35

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.

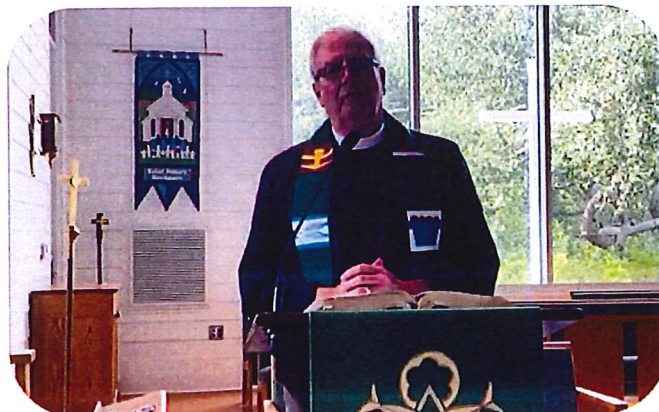
"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all 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."

*Officiant:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

## A Reflection

*The Reverend Jim Friedel*



## Apostles' Creed

(BCP Page 96)

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.*

*He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.*

*He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.*

*He descended to the dead.*

*On the third day he rose again.*

*He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

## The Prayers

(BCP Page 97)

<i>Officiant</i>	<i>The Lord be with you.</i>
<i>People</i>	<i>And also with you.</i>
<i>Officiant</i>	<i>Let us pray.</i>

*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.*

## Suffrage A

(BCP Page 97-98)

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord.  
R. *And grant us your salvation.*  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. *Let your people sing with joy.*  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. *For only in you can we live in safety.*  
V. Lord keep this nation under your care;  
R. *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*  
V. Let your way be known upon earth.  
R. *Your saving health among all nations.*  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten.  
R. *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

## The Collect of the Day: Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~Proper 19 (BCP Page 233)

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.*

## A Collect for Guidance

(BCP Page 100)

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## A Collect For the Nation

(BCP Page 258)

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*Amen.*

## A Collect For the Mission of the Church

(BCP Page 257)

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you, bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*A time of silence is offered as an opportunity for us to reflect on our petitions and thanksgivings.*

## The Collect at the Prayers

(BCP Page 395)

*The Officiant says*

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.*

## Offertory

(BCP Page 376)

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

## A Prayer of Spiritual Communion

*Officiant and People*

*In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.*

## A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

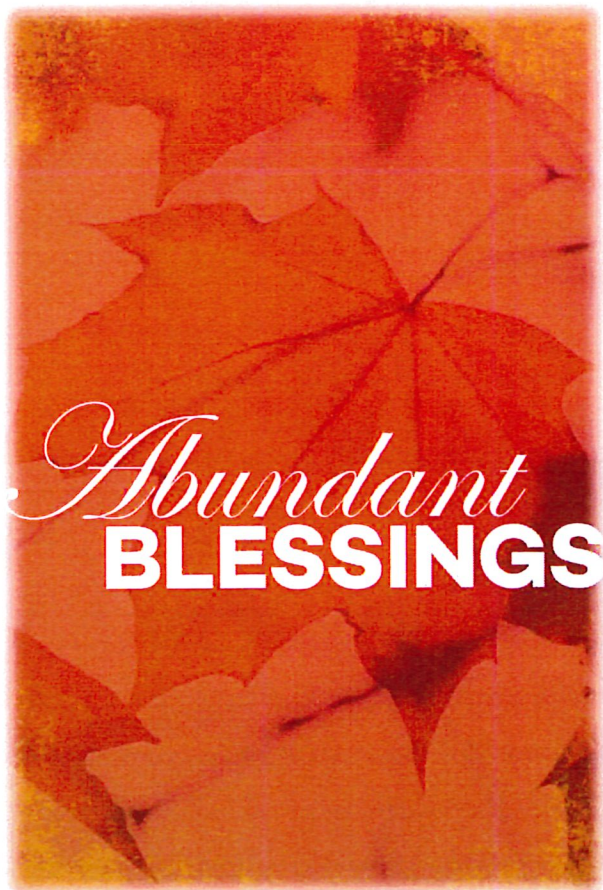
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*Officiant*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

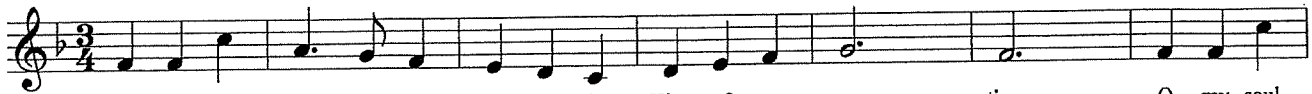
*Officiant*      Let us bless the Lord.

**People**        *Thanks be to God.*

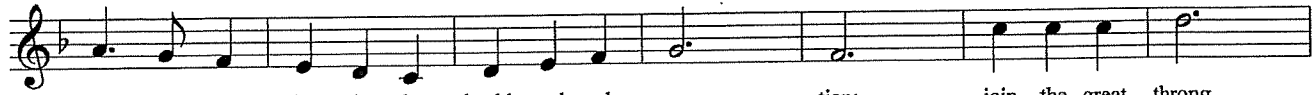


## Hymn: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

(Hymn #390)



1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion; O my soul,  
2. Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly reign - eth; borne as on  
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de - fend thee; sure - ly his  
4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore him! All that hath



1. praise him, for he is thy health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng,  
2. ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen  
3. good - ness and mer - cy shall ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new  
4. life and breath come now with prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men



1. psal - ter - y, or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - or - a - tion.  
2. how all thou need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
3. what the Al - might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.  
4. sound from his peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

## The Blessing

May 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, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* *Thanks be to God.*

*Officiant*

(BCP Page 102)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen* ~2 Corinthians 13:14

# ALL THINGS BRIGHT & BEAUTIFUL



Happy birthday to: Bruce Shugart on the 14th  
and Carolyn Anthony on the 19th.



Diana Severino-Saxon's  
Patriotic Plumeria is standing  
guard in her yard.



Things that make  
you say ahhhhh...

Nature abounds  
in June Gregory's  
beautiful  
backyard.



**A Time For Prayers**

*Mondays at 9:00 a.m.*

