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The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, July 11th, 2021

Services 7:00 A.M. & 9:00 A.M.

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost YEAR B

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist President: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist President: The Rev'd Canon George Knight Lay Eucharistic Minister: Mrs. Valdine Browne

ANNOUNCEMENT

Emergency Management (COVID-19) Churches (No. 12) Directive, 2021

The following protocols will be enforced: Attendance is limited to the number of persons that the building can accommodate, three feet apart in all directions; Temperature checks upon arrival; Wearing of Masks, Designated Seating; the Use of an Offering Box; Physical Distancing - Three (3) feet apart; No physical exchange of the Greeting of Peace; Sanitization of Hands before entering the Cathedral and before Communion.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

The Opening Hymn ~ 383

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing? Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress; praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless: alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us, well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes: alleluia! Alleluia! Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space: alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847), alt.

Opening Sentence "General"

Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is full of compassion. *Psalm 116:4*

THE INVOCATION

PRESIDENT: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Page 100

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COLLECT FOR PURITY

ALL:

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.

THE KYRIES

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL:

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your Name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.

ALL:

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Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One; you alone are the Lord: you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect: Proper 10Page 175"The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost"

Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Amos 7:7-15 Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Zida Hunte 9:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Sharron Lucas-Blackman

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Amos, chapter 7, verses 7 to 15.

⁷ This is what the Lord GOD showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. ⁸And the LORD said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said,

'See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel;

I will never again pass them by;

⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

Amaziah Complains to the King

¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword,

and Israel must go into exile

away from his land." '

¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.'

¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.""

LECTOR:	The Word of the Lord.
ALL:	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85:8-13 Benedixisti, Domine

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8 I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.

- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.

- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
- As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

Second Lesson: Ephesians 1:3-14 Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Alicia White 9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Valdine Browne

A reading from the Word of God written in the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians, chapter 1, verses 3 to 14.

Spiritual Blessings in Christ

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to

his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord. ALL: Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn ~ 508

A charge to keep I have, a God to glorify, a never-dying soul to save, and fit it for the sky.

To serve the present age, my calling to fulfill, O may it all my powers engage to do my Master's will.

Arm me with jealous care, as in thy sight to live; and, O, thy servant, Lord, prepare a good account to give.

Help me to watch and pray, and on thyself rely; and let me ne'er my trust betray, but press to realms on high.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

The Holy Gospel: Mark 6:14-29 Gospellers: 7:00 A.M. ~ The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson 9:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Dr. Marcus Lashley

GOSPELLER:The Lord be with you.ALL:And also with you

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark, chapter 6, verses 14-29.

ALL: Glory to Christ Our Saviour

The Death of John the Baptist

¹⁴King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptiser has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' ¹⁵But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²²When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' ²³And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' ²⁴She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptiser.' ²⁵Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' ²⁶The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring and John's head. He beheaded him in went the prison, ²⁸brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

- GOSPELLER:The Gospel of Christ.ALL:Praise to Christ our Lord.
- The Sermon: 7:00 A.M. & 9:00 A.M. The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen or 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, one in 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 was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered, died and was buried.

On the third day He rose again

in fulfilment of 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.

With the Father and the Son He is worshipped 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.**

Intercessors:

7:00 A. M. ~ Mr. Victor Sylvester 9:00 A. M. ~ Mrs. Mary Weekes

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

LEADER:

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER:

For the peace and welfare of the world, for the witness and work of the Church, especially the Episcopal Church in the Philippines and for the unity of all peoples:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER:

For our Bishops and all ministers of God's Word and Sacraments, that they may be filled with truth and love and be found without fault at the Lord's coming: we pray for Nicholas Small-Warner, who is preparing for ordination to the Diaconate in this Diocese on Tuesday, the feast day of St. Silas.

Let us pray to the Lord. *ALL: Lord, have mercy.*

LEADER:

For the leaders of the nations and for those in authority among us, that they may serve justice and promote the freedom and dignity of all people: we pray for peace for the people of Haiti, consequent upon the assassination of President Jovenel Moïse; and for the people of St. Lucia as they prepare for General Elections.

Let us pray to the Lord. *ALL: Lord, have mercy.*

LEADER:

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression, and for all who labour in the cause of human liberation and fulfillment:

Let us pray to the Lord. *ALL*: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER:

For the sick, the suffering, the sorrowful, and the dying; and for all who remember and care for them: especially we pray for mercy upon our world challenged by a global pandemic; we pray for healing where infections are resurgent, for equality of access to vaccinations in all countries, and for the capacity to overcome vaccine hesitancy in our country and across the world:

Let us pray to the Lord. *ALL: Lord, have mercy.*

LEADER:

For deliverance from the ravages of hurricane, earthquake, drought, flood or volcanic eruption, and for a just and proper use of God's creation: We especially remember the people of our country and the other islands of the Eastern Caribbean, recovering in the aftermath of tropical hurricane Elsa:

Let us pray to the Lord. *ALL: Lord, have mercy.*

LEADER:

For ourselves and all who confess the name of Christ, that we may show forth the excellencies of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light: especially those celebrating birthdays this week, Urcil, Marcia, Phyllis, Victor, Ian, Eric, Yvonne, David, and any other person not mentioned by name:

Let us pray to the Lord. *ALL: Lord, have mercy.*

Silence may be kept.

ALL:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people in the multitude of your mercies. Look with compassion on us and all who turn to you for help: for you are gracious O Lord of love, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

ACT OF PENITENCE

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PRESIDENT:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. A period of silence shall be kept.

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

ALL:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

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THE ABSOLUTION

PRESIDENT:

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 life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

THE GREETING OF THE PEACE "A" Page 124

PRESIDENT:

We are the Body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptised into one Body and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL:

Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

PRESIDENT: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory Hymn ~ 313

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; now fulfil thy church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Lo, the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways; from the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton selfish gladness, rich in goods and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places, gird our lives that they may be armoured with all Christlike graces in the fight to set men free. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not man nor thee, that we fail not man nor thee.

Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969), alt.

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THE OFFERTORY PRAYER "B"

PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTC PRAYER Page 126

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT:Lift up your hearts.ALL:We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT:Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.ALL:It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRESIDENT:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God:

PROPER PREFACE ~ "Of God the Father" Page 130

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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL:

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING "A" Page 131

PRESIDENT:

All Holy and glorious Father, Our Creator God, we give you thanks because in your loving wisdom you brought all things into being, and are truly worthy of praise from every creature you have made. Again and again we have turned away from you; yet in every age your steadfast love has called us to return, to live in union with you: for it is your eternal purpose to put new life into all things and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ Who took our human nature upon Him you have redeemed the world from the bondage of sin: and by the power of your Holy Spirit you have gathered a people to yourself, to make known in every place His perfect offering which He made to the glory of your Name.

Hear us, therefore, Father, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; And grant that these gifts of bread and wine may be unto us His Body and Blood.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take this, and eat it: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And 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."

PRESIDENT:

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

ALL: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

PRESIDENT:

And so, Heavenly Father, rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation; His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice made once for all upon the Cross; His Mighty Resurrection from the dead; His Glorious Ascension into heaven; and looking for His Coming in glory; we offer to you this Bread and this Cup.

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son, our great High Priest, may be renewed by your Holy Spirit, and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love increase in us. Unite us with all Bishops, all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments, and with the whole people of God, living and departed, whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness,

that we may be found ready to join the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles, and all your saints, when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again: Forever giving you thanks and praise through Him from whom all good things do come.

With Him and in Him and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL:

Blessing and honour and glory and power Be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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PRESIDENT: As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name; your kingdom come; your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD "A" Page 145

PRESIDENT:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

ALL:

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

THE COMMUNION

The Invitation "B"

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PRESIDENT:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL:

Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise to Him.

THE AGNUS DEI

- Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
- Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
- Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.



The Administration of Communion/Spiritual Communion

The Communion Hymn 495

Amazing grace - how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

Words: John Newton (1725-1807)

Anthem ~ "Come down, O love divine" (W. Harris)

THE POST COMMUNION "A"

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ALL:

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we who share His Body live His risen life; we who drink His cup bring life to others; we upon whom your Spirit shines give light to the world. Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING "Pentecost"

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The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the word and works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you this day and forever more.

ALL: Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

THE DISMISSAL

The Recessional Hymn ~ 387

To God be the glory! Great things he hath done; so loved he the world that he gave us his Son; who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life Gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice; praise the Lord, praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice: O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son and give him the glory; great things he hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! To every believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Refrain

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Refrain

Words: Fanny J. Crosby (Frances van Alstyne (1820-1915)

Organ Postlude

WELCOME AND MAY THE LORD BLESS US ALL

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Amos 7:7-15

Comment: "The sign of the plumb line: God's judgement on Israel"

In the first lesson, Amos is given a vision of a plumb line, and he prophesies God's judgement regardless of the personal consequences. A plumb line hangs down and shows whether a wall is vertical. Israel's heart is out of line, and God is out of patience. The priest of the royal shrine at Bethel reports Amos's words to the king and tells him to prophesy elsewhere. Amos replies that he is not one of the official, professional prophets that do others' bidding. God has called him.

Psalm 85:8-13

The psalm both celebrates and prays for the Lord's gracious favour, God's forgiveness, deliverance, and justice.

Second Reading (The Epistle): Ephesians 1:3-14

Comment: "Chosen in Christ to live to the praise of God's glory"

In this reading, **Paul praises God for the glorious inheritance that has been ordained for those who are now the children of God.** Redeemed by the sacrifice of Christ, our freedom from sin is made possible. Now we share in the mystery of God's plan to form a universal community in association with Christ. In all this we have the Holy Spirt as a kind of pledge or down payment for the fullness of the heritage to come.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 6:14-29

Comment: *"The death of John the Baptist"*

Our gospel story is of **the death of John the Baptist by order of King Herod.** John the Baptist's preaching sharply criticised Herod for his marriage to Herodias, who had been the wife of Herod's brother Philip. Herod was intrigued and also fearful of John, but at a banquet at which Herodias's daughter performed, the king rashly promised the girl whatever request she might make. At her mother's prompting, the girl asks for the head of John the Baptist. John's fearlessness, Herodias's brutality, and Herod's expediency thus intersect and led to John's martyrdom.

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Financial Stewardship: The ministry of the Cathedral is supported primarily by its members' contributions weekly and monthly. However, if you would like to support the stewardship of this sacred place, please donate to St. Michael's Cathedral, Bridgetown, St. Michael.

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THE DAILY OFFICES: The recitation of Morning and Evening Prayer forms part of the discipline of clergy and laity. The Daily Office can also serve as a personal or family discipline. The Daily Lectionary for Proper 10, begins on page 763, in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 1, and the readings for Sunday are Psalms 148, 149 and 150; 1 Samuel 17:50-18:4; Romans 10:4-17; for Monday, July 12th, 2021, are 1 Samuel 18:5-16, 27b-30, Psalm 25, and Acts 11:19-30, and for the rest of the week as follows on page 764.

THEME FOR THE WEEK

"We are called by our Lord to take full responsibility for our decisions, knowing that we are ultimately accountable for our thoughts, words and deeds."



Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays this week 11th to 17th, July 2021.

Ms. Urcil E. Brathwaite ~ 11th Mrs. Marcia N. Harewood ~ 11th Ms. Phyllis O. Reece ~ 11th Mr. Victor A. Sylvester ~ 11th Mr. Ian St. A. B. Weekes ~ 11th Mr. V. Eric. Cobham ~ 12th Ms. Yvonne C. Clarke ~ 17th Mr. David R. I. Sealy ~ 17th



May God bless and strengthen you.

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Flowers: The Cathedral Church takes this opportunity to thank the family of Mrs. Paula Agbowu and the family of Mrs. Anita M. Yarde, for their donation of flowers which adorn our church today, in celebration of their birthdays on June 23rd, and 29th, respectively.



Welcome: A cordial welcome is extended to the family and friends of Mr. Ian St. A. B. Weekes, who have joined him in corporate worship at 9:00 a.m. today, in celebration of his birthday. Congratulations and may God's grace surround you always!





Please remember the sick or injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Mr. Aldon and Mrs. Margaret Browne, Mrs. Colleen Byer, Ms. Eudora Cooper, Mr. Allison Daniel, Ms. Alice P. Hall, Mr. Jonathan Holder, Mrs. Olga Holder, Ms. Selina Jones, Mrs. Vida King, Mr. Blair Murray, Ms. Phyllis Springer, Ms. Winifred Trotman, Ms. Marcia Watson, and Mr. Ronald Wilkinson.



CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Today, Sunday, July 11th, 2021 The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost 7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist 9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



Wednesday, July 14th, 2021 10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



Sunday, July 18th, 2021 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist 9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



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