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The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost: Emancipation Celebrations Sunday, August 1st, 2021

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

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost: Emancipation Day 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. 13) Directive, 2021

The following protocols will be enforced: Attendance is limited to one hundred persons maximum, 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.

The cooperation of everyone is required

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

The Opening **Hymn** ~ 554

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of liberty;

let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies,
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet
come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;
We have come, treading our path through the
blood of the slaughtered;
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might, led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee; lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee, shadowed beneath thy hand, may we for ever stand, true to our God, true to our native land.

Words: James Weldon Johnson (1871-1938)

Opening Sentence "Emancipation"

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and

do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

(Galatians 5:1)

THE INVOCATION

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PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL:

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.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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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.

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Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

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:

Emancipation:

O Liberating God, whose service is perfect freedom, Who delivered your people Israel from slavery in Egypt; we thank You for delivering the people of these lands out of enslavement into freedom; and we pray that by Your help we will preserve our freedom, respect and defend the freedom of others, through Him by Whom we are made free, Your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Exodus 6:2-13

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Mary Haynes, Q.C.

9:00 A.M. ~ Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw, (L.E.M.)

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Exodus, chapter 6, verses 2-13.

Moses: Called to Liberate God's People

² God also spoke to Moses and said to him: 'I am the LORD. ³I appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob as God Almighty, but by my name "The LORD" I did not make myself known to them. ⁴I also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they resided as aliens. ⁵I have also heard the groaning of the Israelites, whom the Egyptians are holding as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant. ⁶Say therefore to the Israelites, "I am the LORD, and I will free you from the burdens of the Egyptians and deliver you from slavery to

them. I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgement. ⁷I will take you as my people, and I will be your God. You shall know that I am the LORD your God, who has freed you from the burdens of the Egyptians. ⁸I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; I will give it to you for a possession. I am the LORD." ⁹Moses told this to the Israelites; but they would not listen to Moses, because of their broken spirit and their cruel slavery.

¹⁰ Then the LORD spoke to Moses, ¹¹ 'Go and tell Pharaoh king of Egypt to let the Israelites go out of his land.' ¹²But Moses spoke to the LORD, 'The Israelites have not listened to me; how then shall Pharaoh listen to me, poor speaker that I am?' ¹³Thus the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, and gave them orders regarding the Israelites and Pharaoh king of Egypt, charging them to free the Israelites from the land of Egypt.

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

Psalm 114 (*TO BE READ*)

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1 Hallelujah!

When Israel came out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

- 2 Judah became God's sanctuary and Israel his dominion.
- 3 The sea beheld it and fled; Jordan turned and went back.

- 4 The mountains skipped like rams, and the little hills like young sheep.
- 5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? O Jordan, that you turned back?
- 6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? you little hills like young sheep?
- 7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob,
- 8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water and flint-stone into a flowing spring.
- 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: Philemon 8-21

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Victor Gittens 9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Victor Small

A reading from the Word of God written in the Letter of Paul to Philemon, verses 8-21.

Paul's Plea for Onesimus

⁸ For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am

sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷ So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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

The Gradual **Hymn** ~ 251

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free, to take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes with succour speedy to those who suffer wrong; to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong; to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in his sight.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth, and love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth: before him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go; and righteousness in fountains from hill to valley flow.

Kings shall bow down before him, and gold and incense bring; all nations shall adore him, his praise all people sing: to him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend; his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.

O'er every foe victorious, he on his throne shall rest; from age to age more glorious, all-blessing and all-blest: the tide of time shall never his covenant remove;

his name shall stand for ever, his changeless name of Love.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854)

The Holy Gospel: Luke 4:16-19

Gospeller: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

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

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter 4, verses 16 to 19.

ALL: Glory to Christ Our Saviour

Jesus at Nazareth: The Liberator

¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind,

to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

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.**

THE LITANY FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

(Adapted from the Episcopal Office of Governmental Relations)

Intercessors:

7:00 A. M. ~ Prof Anne St. John, GCM 9:00 A. M. ~ Mr. John Moore, (M.F.)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Brothers and sisters: God commands us through Jesus Christ to love one another. In baptism, we promise to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbours as ourselves and to strive for justice and peace, and respect the dignity of every human being. Let us now honour those vows and pray for our nation, for wise and just leaders, and for the needs of others throughout our country and the world, on this Emancipation Day.

We pray for the work of the CARICOM Reparations Commission, a regional body established to set the moral, ethical and legal case for the payment of Reparations by the Governments of all the former colonial powers and the relevant institutions of those countries, to the nations and people of the Caribbean Community for the Crimes against Humanity of Native Genocide, the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade, and a racialized system of Chattel Slavery.

We pray for continued blessings on all peacemakers, on leaders who value peace, and on everyone who promotes nonviolent solutions to conflict. We pray for a speedy end to all violence and warfare around the world.

God of peace and gentleness, *All: Hear our prayer*.

We pray for the strength of heart and mind to look beyond ourselves and address the needs of our siblings throughout the world; for the poor and the vulnerable; for the rebuilding of our communities; and for an end to the cycles of violence that threaten our future.

God of generosity and compassion, *All: Hear our prayer*.

We pray for all nations, that they may live in unity, peace, and concord; and that all people may know justice and enjoy the perfect freedom that only God can give. We especially pray for the nations of Haiti and Cuba in their respective state of affairs.

We thank you for the peaceful General Elections in St. Lucia and for the successful transition to a new government.

God of liberty and freedom,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray that the Holy Spirit may embrace the most vulnerable members of our society; we pray also for an end to the growing disparity between the rich and poor; and for the grace and courage to strive for economic justice.

God of all gifts and blessings,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for an end to prejudice throughout our country and the world; that we will respect all people as precious children of God; and that racism, sexism, and all other forms of discrimination will be forever banished from our hearts, our society, and our laws.

God of fellowship and equality,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for a reverence of creation; that we will have the tools and the will to conserve it; that we will use its bountiful resources in the service of others; and that we will become better stewards of all that has been entrusted to us.

God of nature and the universe,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for all immigrants, refugees, and visitors from around the world, that there may be a more generous understanding of the needs of others throughout the world, for an openness to the value that people different from ourselves can bring to our life, and for a recognition that it is only by working together that we can serve the good and the prosperity of all.

God of outcasts and wanderers, *Hear our prayer*.

We pray for the sick, the aged and the infirm; for those with physical or mental disabilities; that all may have access to proper health care; and that God's loving embrace may be felt by all who suffer.

God of comfort and healing, *All: Hear our prayer*.

We pray for all prisoners and captives; that a spirit of forgiveness may replace vengeance and retribution; and that we, with all the destitute, lonely, and oppressed, may be restored to the fullness of God's grace.

God of absolution and mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for all children and families, and particularly for the orphaned, neglected, abused, and those who live in fear of violence or disease; that they may be relieved and protected.

God of children and families,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for the reconciliation of all people, and for the Church throughout the world, that it may be an instrument of your healing love.

God of outreach and restoration,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for all who have died because of violence, war, disease, or famine, especially those who died because of human blindness, neglect, or hardness of heart.

God of eternal life and resurrecting love, *All: Hear our prayer*.

Let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others (please add your requests in this moment of silence)

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

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*.

THE ABSOLUTION

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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

Musical Selection

The Offertory **Hymn** ~ 239

The right hand of God is writing in our land, writing with power and with love our conflicts and our fears, our triumphs and our tears are recorded by the right hand of God.

The right hand of God is pointing in our land, pointing the way we must go.

So clouded is the way, so easily we stray, but we're guided by the right hand of God.

The right hand of God is striking in our land, striking out at envy, hate and greed. our selfishness and lust, our pride and deeds unjust are destroyed by the right hand of God.

The right hand of God is healing in our land, healing broken bodies, minds and souls. So wondrous is its touch, with love that means so much, when we're healed by the right hand of God.

The right hand of God, is planting in our land, planting seeds of freedom, hope and love.

In these Caribbean lands, let his people all join hands, and be one with the right hand of God.

Words: Patrick Prescod, Words © 1981Caribbean Conference of Churches.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER "B"

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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

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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

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:

through Him from whom all good things do come.

ALL:

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

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" Page 146

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

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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 Hymns ~ 603 and 320

Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees;

Refrain:

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees;

Refrain

Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees;

Refrain

Words: African-American spiritual

Hymn 320

In Christ there is no East or West, in him no South or North, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be!
Who serves my Father as his child is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both East and West, in him meet South and North, all Christly souls are one in him, throughout the whole wide earth.

Words: John Oxenham (1852-1941), alt.

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 ~ 310

Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
he whose word cannot be broken
formed thee for his own abode.
On the Rock of Ages founded,

what can shake thy sure repose? with salvation's walls surrounded, thou mayest smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove. who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage; grace, which like the Lord the Giver, never fails from age to age?

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear, for a glory and a covering-showing that the Lord is near.

Thus they march, the pillar leading, light by night and shade by day; daily on the manna feeding which he gives them when they pray.

Saviour, since of Zion's city,
I, through grace, a member am,
let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in thy name.
Fading is the world's best pleasure,
all it's boasted pomp and show;
solid joys and lasting treasure
none but Zion's children know.

Words: John Newton (1725-1807), 1779

The National Anthem of Barbados

In plenty and in time of need
When this fair land was young
Our brave forefathers sowed the seed
From which our pride has sprung
A pride that makes no wanton boast
Of what it has withstood
That binds our hearts from coast to coast
The pride of nationhood

Chorus

We loyal sons and daughters all
Do hereby make it known
These fields and hills beyond recall
Are now our very own
We write our names on history's page
With expectations great
Strict guardians of our heritage
Firm craftsmen of our fate

The Lord has been the people's guide
For past three hundred years.
With Him still on the people's side
We have no doubts or fears.
Upward and onward we shall go,
Inspired, exulting, free,
And greater will our nation grow
In strength and unity.

Words by Mr. Irving Burgie. Music by Mr. C. Van Roland Edwards

Organ Postlude

WELCOME AND MAY THE LORD BLESS US ALL



The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost: Emancipation Day

First Reading: Exodus 6:2-13

Comment: "Moses: Called to Liberate God's People" After the divine self-introduction, God sends Moses to the Israelites and then to Pharaoh. This is the parallel account to the version in chapter 3. God's covenant with Abraham, the promise of the land of Canaan is repeated and God's personal name is tied to the fulfilment of this solemn promise of freedom and gift.

Psalm 114

A hymn of praise of the God of the Exodus

Second Reading (The Epistle): Philemon 8-21

Comment: "A Plea for Onesimus"

This is a story about a runaway slave, **Onesimus, who had come to know Paul in Rome, and through him was converted to the Christian faith.** He rendered voluntary service to Paul in his Roman imprisonment. Paul encouraged Onesimus to return to Philemon, his former master; meantime, he encouraged Philemon to receive Onesimus as a beloved brother in the faith rather than a slave—and he further asked Philemon to return Onesimus to Rome so that he might help Paul. Though he did not seek his

freedom, he elevated Onesimus' status to one of brother rather than menial servant.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 4:16-19 **Comment:** "Jesus the Liberator"

In our gospel story Jesus returns to Galilee and enters the synagogue in Nazareth. Here he gives what has been called his inaugural sermon. He reads from the book of the prophet Isaiah. These words offer hope and good news to the poor and tell of healing and freedom for the oppressed. This time, Jesus says, has begun.

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.

Friends well-wishers and may write to stmichaelcathedral@caribsurf.com or call 1 246-427-0790 for more details. Meantime, donations can be made through online payments to St. Michael's Cathedral, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account # 2719302; Transit # 09606. Special projects at this time are: Audio Equipment (cost: \$20,000.00; donations as at July 31st. 2021: \$17,815.00); Ashfall Clean-up \$15,000.00; donations as at July 31st, 2021: \$4,461.00) and Online Ministry. Donations may also be made in marked envelopes and placed in the Offering Box or brought to the Administrative Office. All donations are appreciated.



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 13, begins on page 765, in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 1, and the readings for Sunday are Psalms 93 and 96; 2 Samuel 6:12-23; Romans 14:7-12; for Monday, August 2nd, 2021, are 2 Samuel 7:1-17, Psalm 80, and Acts 18:1-11 and for the rest of the week as follows on page 766.



THEME FOR THE WEEK

"The God of history leads all people to freedom in Christ.



Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays in the month of August 2021.

Mrs. Eleanor E. Small ~ 1st Mr. Leighton Waterman ~ 1st

Ms. Eudora Cooper $\sim 2^{nd}$ Mr. John W. Clarke ~ 3rd Ms. Pamela A. Walker ~ 4th Ms. Pamela Lashley ~ 6th Mr. Shaquan Pompey ~ 8th Ms. Velda Alleyne ~ 9th Mrs. Margaret P. Archer ~ 9th Mr. Jabari Jones ~ 10th Mrs. Elsie C. Burton ~ 14th Ms. Sandra B. A. Fields ~ 14th Ms. Theresa Morris ~ 14th Ms. Claudette M. Sealy ~ 14th Mr. Ian H. Broome ~ 15th Mrs. Joan Claudette Bonnett Blenman ~ 16th Mrs. Elmondessa Bridgeman ~ 16th Ms. Deborah L. Phillips ~ 16th Mrs. Judy D. King $\sim 18^{th}$ Mr. Ian E. Lashley $\sim 18^{th}$ Mrs. Nellie E. Hunte ~ 20th Ms. Ismay Cave ~ 21st Mrs. Muriel Foster ~ 21st Mr. Nathan Daniel ~ 21st Mr. Mervyn E. Rollins $\sim 22^{nd}$



May God bless and strengthen you.





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, 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.



Diocesan News

Retirement: Ms. Mary Haynes, Q.C. officially retired as Chancellor of the Diocese of Barbados on February 28, 2021. However, an extension was given to her tenure to facilitate the recently convened annual Diocesan Synod. Consequently, Ms. Haynes, demitted office on July 31, 2021. May God bless all her future endeavours.

The Appointment of New Chancellor: Ms. Sadie Dixon has been appointed the new Chancellor of Diocese, effective August 1, 2021. Ms. Dixon is an Attorney-at-Law and has been in the practice for some 27 years. She is the Legal Counsel at the Central Bank of Barbados. She holds a Master

of Laws with Distinction from the University of Warwick (UK), a Bachelor of Laws with Honours from the University of the West Indies as well as a certificate in Legislative Drafting from the University of London's Institute of Advanced Legal Studies. Ms. Dixon is currently a registered communicant and active member of the Church of the Holy Trinity.

The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn will be appointed Part-time Assistant Priest at St Michael's Cathedral effective September 1, 2021. We wish her the very best as she transitions to the exercise of her ministry within the context of the city.

Bishop's Vacation Leave: Please be informed that the Bishop has adjusted his vacation dates slightly. He will now be on leave from July 28th until September 7th, 2021. During this period, Archdeacon, The Ven. Eric E. Lynch will serve as Vicar General.

Deacon Nicholas Small-Warner: The Rev'd Nicholas Small-Warner has been assigned as Assistant Curate to the Church of St Mary effective July 14, 2021. We wish Rev'd Nicholas a fruitful ministry.



CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Today, Sunday, August 1st, 2021 The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost: Emancipation Day

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist 9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



Wednesday, August 4th, 2021 10:00 A.M. ~ A Public Service of Healing



Sunday, August 8th, 2021 The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist **9:00 A.M.** ~ Sung Eucharist



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