



St. Michael's Cathedral

Services
for
The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 26th, 2021
7:00 A.M. & 9.00 A.M.

The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels

The Diocese of Barbados

Diocesan Bishop

The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. John. Maxwell, M. A.

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The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

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Ms. Harriet Lowe



**The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
YEAR B**

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

President & Preacher:

The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

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

Preacher: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Mrs. Judy King

ANNOUNCEMENT

Emergency Management (COVID-19) Churches (No. 17) Directive, 2021

The following protocols will be enforced: Attendance is limited to twenty-five persons maximum, six feet apart in all directions; Temperature checks upon arrival and signing of the Register; Wearing of Masks above the Nose and under the Chin; Designated Seating; the Use of an Offering Box; Physical Distancing - Six (6) 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 ~ 799**

Ye holy angels bright,
who wait at God's right hand,
or through the realms of light
fly at your Lord's command,
assist our song,
for else the theme
too high doth seem
for mortal tongue.

Ye blessèd souls at rest,
who ran this earthly race,
and now, from sin released,
behold the Saviour's face,
his praises sound,
as in his light
with sweet delight
ye do abound.

Ye saints who toil below,
adore your heavenly King,
and onward as ye go
some joyful anthems sing;
take what he gives
and praise him still,
through good and ill,
who ever lives.

My soul, bear thou thy part,
triumph in God above,
and with a well-tuned heart
sing thou the songs of love.
Let all thy days
till life shall end,

whate'er he send,
be filled with praise

Words: Richard Baxter (1615-1691), and John Hampden Gurney (1802-1862)

Opening Sentence "**General**" Page 100
Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole
earth stand in awe of him. *Psalm 96:9*

THE INVOCATION Page 101

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 Page 101

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

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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: **Proper 21**

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“The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost”

Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Helena Lyte

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Valdine Browne, L.E.M.

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Numbers, chapter 11, verses 4 to 6, 10-16, and 24-29.

⁴ The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, ‘If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.’

¹⁰ Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the LORD, ‘Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favour in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, “Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child”, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, “Give us meat to eat!” ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once— if I have found favour in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.’

The Seventy Elders

¹⁶ So the LORD said to Moses, ‘Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

²⁶ Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ And a young man ran and told Moses, ‘Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.’ ²⁸ And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, ‘My lord Moses, stop them!’ ²⁹ But Moses said to him, ‘Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!’

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 19:7-14 *Caeli enarrant*

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7 The law of the LORD is perfect
and revives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.

8 The statutes of the LORD are just
and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear
and gives light to the eyes.

9 The fear of the LORD is clean
and endures for ever;
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often he offends?
cleanse me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous
sins; let them not get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of
my heart be acceptable in your sight,
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

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: James 5:13-20

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Helena Lyte

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Valdine Browne, L.E.M.

A reading from the Word of God written in the Letter of
James, chapter 5, verses 13 to 20.

The Prayer of Faith

¹³ Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any
cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴ Are any among
you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and
have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the
name of the Lord. ¹⁵ The prayer of faith will save the sick,
and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has
committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore confess your

sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹ My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual **Hymn ~ 431**

Fight the good fight with all thy might!
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;
lay hold on life, and it shall be
thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's good grace,
lift up thine eyes, and seek his face;
life with its way before us lies;
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, lean on thy guide;
his boundless mercy will provide;
trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Faint not nor fear, his arms are near;
he changeth not, and thou art dear;
only believe, and thou shalt see
that Christ is all in all to thee.

Words: John Samuel Bewley Monsell 1811-1875), alt

The Holy Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

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

The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And also with you**

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark, chapter 9, verses 38 to 50.

ALL: Glory to Christ Our Saviour

Another Exorcist

³⁸ John said to Jesus, ‘Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.’ ³⁹But Jesus said, ‘Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

Temptations to Sin

⁴² ‘If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

⁴⁹ ‘For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.’

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

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.**

INTERCESSION FORM “C” with amendments Page 108

Intercessors:

7:00 A. M. ~ Mrs. Shernelle Nelson

9:00 A. M. ~ Ms. Donnah Russell, Church Army

LEADER:

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 in the Anglican Communion; we pray for the Church in Wales, 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: In the Anglican Church in the Province of the West Indies, we pray for Howard our Archbishop; in this Diocese we pray for our Bishop Michael, Wilfred retired Bishop of Croydon, Rufus retired Diocesan Bishop, and John retired Diocesan Bishop and Archbishop. We pray for all who worship and work in this Cathedral Church, for the Dean and other clergy, the

members of the Parochial Church Council and leaders of ministry as we prepare to celebrate patronal festival:

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 peoples. We pray for Sandra our Governor General, Mia our Prime Minister, and all members of Parliament as the country prepares to host the Fifteenth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD 15), from 3rd to 7th October, 2021.

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: especially Aldon, Margaret, Colleen, Elsie, Eudora, Alice, Jonathan, Olga, Selina, Vida, Blair, Phyllis, Winifred, Marcia, and Ronald; the suffering, the sorrowful, and the dying and for all who remember and care for them:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER:

For mercy and protection upon our world affected by the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic. We pray for all who are affected by this disease: those in hospital or other facilities; the doctors, nurses and all medical personnel who tend the sick; the Chief Medical Officer and all who set public policy; and all who work to keep us safe from this disease:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER:

For deliverance from the ravages of hurricane, earthquake, drought, flood, fire, or volcanic eruption, and for a just and proper use of God's creation: We especially remember the people of Haiti in the aftermath of an earthquake. Where people are in danger, give them refuge; where they have suffered loss, give them comfort and restoration; where they are in despair, give them hope:

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:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER:

For those celebrating birthdays this week; Valdine, Sandra, John, Nikimbe, Daphne, Julian, Andrea, and Yvette 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.

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”

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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 ~ 467**

God moves in a mysterious way
his wonders to perform;
he plants his footsteps in the sea,
and rides upon the storm.

Deep in unfathomable mines
of never-failing skill
he treasures up his bright designs,
and works his sovereign will.

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;
the clouds ye so much dread
are big with mercy, and shall break
in blessings on your head.

Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
but trust him for his grace;
behind a frowning providence
he hides a smiling face.

Blind unbelief is sure to err
and scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter,
and he will make it plain.

Words: William Cowper (1731-1800), 1779

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 EUCHARISTIC 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 ~ “The Lord’s Day” Page 130

Because on this most glorious day, a triple light was given. On the first day of creation you brought light and life into being. On the first day, for our salvation, you raised your Son victorious over death; and on this day you gave your Holy and lifegiving Spirit to your church.

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”

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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” 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 Page 147

**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 ~ 611**

O Food that weary pilgrims love,
O Bread of angel-hosts above,
O Manna of the saints,
the hungry soul would feed on thee;
ne'er may the heart unsolaced be
which for thy sweetness faints.

O fount of love, O cleansing tide,
which from the Saviour's piercèd side
and sacred heart dost flow,
be ours to drink of thy pure rill,
which only can our spirits fill,
and all our need bestow.

Lord Jesu, whom, by power divine
now hidden 'neath the outward sign,
we worship and adore,
grant, when the veil away is rolled,
with open face we may behold
thyself for evermore.

Words: anonymous, from

*O esca viatorum, Gesangbuch, Mainz, 1661, Latin;
Translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866),
and Editors of Hymns Ancient and Modern.
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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** ~ 797

Praise to God who reigns above
binding earth and heaven in love;
all the armies of the sky
worship his dread sovereignty.

Seraphim his praises sing,
cherubim on fourfold wing,
thrones, dominions, princes, powers,
marshalled might that never cowers.

Speeds the archangel from his face,
bearing messages of grace;
angel hosts his words fulfil,
ruling nature by his will.

Yet on man thy joy to wait,
all that bright celestial state,
for in Man their Lord they see,
Christ, the incarnate Deity.

On the throne their Lord who died
sits in Manhood glorified;
where his people faint below
angels count it joy to go.

O the depths of joy divine
thrilling through those orders nine,
when the lost are found again,
when the banished come to reign!

Now in faith, in hope, in love,

we will join the choirs above,
praising, with the heavenly host,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Words: Richard Meux Benson (1824-1915)

Organ Postlude



AND MAY THE LORD BLESS US ALL



The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Comment: *“The Lord’s spirit comes upon seventy elders”*
In this Hebrew scripture story, **the people weep and complain in the wilderness, and the Lord comes to Moses’ help by sharing some of the prophet’s spirit of leadership with seventy chosen elders and also with two others who were left behind in the camp.** This spirit is manifested in temporary spells of ecstatic prophecy. The narrative has several interwoven themes. Once more God turns away wrath at Israel’s lack of trust. The story is meant to show that all leadership derives its authority from Moses’ God-given power. That the Spirit falls on Eldad and Medad illustrates how it cannot be confined by human appointment.

Psalm 19:7-14

A hymn which glorifies the Creator God, with special praise for God’s law and a prayer for avoidance of sin.

Second Reading (**The Epistle**): James 5:13-20

Comment: *“Prayer and anointing in the community”*

The New Testament lesson is **an affirmation of prayer and the power of forgiveness in all circumstances**. Prayer should characterise the lives of the suffering and joyous alike, and those who are sick should seek the intercession of the church leaders. The community of believers is to strive for the restoration to faith of any who have strayed.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

Comment: *“Warning to those who obstruct faith”*

In the gospel, **Jesus bids his disciples to accept all who seek to do good in his name and to deal ruthlessly with whatever part of themselves causes sin**. Early Christians were doubtless faced with people outside their communities who said they were acting in Christ’s name. The tolerant answer given here suggests that Jesus’ followers must avoid arrogance and be open to God’s divine actions. On the other hand, it is a serious matter to lead a believer astray. The counsel to destroy offending parts of the body is exaggerated to make clear the importance of avoiding various sins. The description of hell is drawn from the garbage dump outside Jerusalem.

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 21, begins on page 771, in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 1, and the readings for Sunday are Psalms 66 and 67; 2 Kings 17:1-18; Acts 9:36-43; for Monday, September 27th, 2021, are 1 Corinthians 7:25-31, Psalm 89:1-18, and 2 Kings 17:24-41, and for the rest of the week as follows on page 771.

THEME FOR THE WEEK

“The best cure for the urge to complain about our lot is to do a good deed for someone.”



***Congratulations to all those persons celebrating
birthdays this week 26th September to October 2nd, 2021***

Mrs. Valdine E. Browne ~ 27th

Ms. Sandra M. Greene ~ 27th

Mr. John F. Sealy ~ 28th

Ms. Nikimbe Proute ~ 28th

Ms. Daphne O. Browne ~ 29th

Mr. Julian A. Burton ~ 30th

Ms. Andrea N. White ~ 30th

Mrs. Yvette Crawford-Traue ~ 30th



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, Ms. Elsie Brunson, Mrs. Colleen Byer, Ms. Eudora Cooper, Ms. Alice P. Hall, Mr. Jonathan Holder, Mrs. Olga Holder, Ms. Marcia Hoyte, Ms. Selina Jones, Mr. Blair Murray, Ms. Phyllis Springer, Ms. Winifred Trotman, Ms. Marcia Watson, and Mr. Ronald Wilkinson.

***I pray to the Almighty
to bring you healing
and a speedy
recovery...
Get Well
Soon...***



***Bereavement:** We extend sincere condolences to the families of the late Ms. Vida King, mother of Mr. Darnley King, Member of the Cathedral Church Council.*



To Mrs. Eleanor Small on the anniversary of her confirmation on 27th September 1954 ~ 67 years ago. She was presented by the late, The Very Rev'd. Gordon Hazelwood, Dean of St. Michael's Cathedral.

Congratulations also to all other parishioners who were confirmed during the Michaelmas festival, over the years.

CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Today, Sunday, September 26th, 2021
The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



Wednesday, September 29th, 2021
The Feast of Saint Michael and All Angels
10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist
Preacher: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn
6:00 P.M. ~ Sung Eucharist
Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Noel A. Burke



Sunday, October 3rd, 2021
The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



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