



St. Michael's Cathedral

for

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 5th, 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 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
YEAR B**

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

President: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

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

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Mrs. Judy King

ANNOUNCEMENT

Emergency Management (COVID-19) Churches (No. 16) 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, 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 ~ 373**

O for a thousand tongues to sing

my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

Jesus! The name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.

He speaks; and, listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive,
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
your loosened tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Saviour come;
and leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious master and my God,
assist me to proclaim
and spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy name.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Opening Sentence "**General**"

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God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth. *John 4:24*

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.

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 18**

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“The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost”

Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always confound the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; 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: Isaiah 35:4-7a

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

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Stephen White

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Isaiah, chapter 35, verses 4-7a.

⁴ Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

‘Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you.’

⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

⁶ then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;

⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 146 *Lauda, anima mea*

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1 **H**allelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise
the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my
being.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of
earth,
for there is no help in them.

3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for
their help!
whose hope is in the LORD their God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that
is in them;
who keeps his promise for ever;

6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed,
and food to those who hunger.

7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind;
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

8 The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD cares for the stranger;
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

9 The LORD shall reign for ever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!

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 2:1-10, 14-17

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Mary Haynes, Q. C.
9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Stephen White

A reading from the Word of God written in the Letter of
James, chapter 2, verses 1-10 and 14-17.

Warning against Partiality

¹My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ²For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, ‘Have a seat here, please’, while to the one who is poor you say, ‘Stand there’, or, ‘Sit at my feet’, ⁴have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

⁸ You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ ⁹But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

Faith without Works Is Dead

¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill’, and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual **Hymn 690 A&M**

Great Shepherd of Thy people, hear!
Thy presence now display;
As Thou hast given a place for prayer,
So give us hearts to pray.

Within these walls let holy peace
And love and concord dwell;
Here give the troubled conscience ease;
The wounded spirit heal.

May we in faith receive Thy word,
In faith present our prayers,

And in the presence of our Lord
Unbosom all our cares.

The hearing ear, the seeing eye,
The contrite heart bestow,
And shine upon us from on high,
That we in grace may grow.

Words: J. Newton, 1769

The Holy Gospel: Mark 7:24-37

Gospeller: 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 7, verses 24-37.

ALL: Glory to Christ Our Saviour

The Syrophenician Woman's Faith

²⁴Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, ²⁵but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' ²⁸But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's

crumbs.’²⁹ Then he said to her, ‘For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.’³⁰ So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Jesus Cures a Deaf Man

³¹ Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³² They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³ He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴ Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, ‘Ephphatha’, that is, ‘Be opened.’ ³⁵ And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶ Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷ They were astounded beyond measure, saying, ‘He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.’

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: **Praise to Christ our Lord.**

The Sermon:

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. ~ Prof Anne St. John, GCM

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. John Moore, Men's Fellowship

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 Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan 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:

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 remember the people of Afghanistan in their uncertain political future since the Taliban took over the country.

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, 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: especially we pray for mercy upon our world challenged by a global pandemic; we pray for healing where infections are resurgent, and for equality of access to vaccinations in all countries:

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 Haiti as the death toll continues to mount from a massive earthquake; countries affected by tropical storms Grace and Ida; also, countries impacted severely by the effects of global warming, especially China, the USA and in Central Europe.

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; Jayden, Nathan, Edith, Eleanor, Patricia, Goulbourne, Monica and Donté 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 ~ 217 (Part 2)**

Father all-loving, thou rulest in majesty,
judgment is thine, and condemneth our pride;
stir up our rulers and peoples to penitence,
sorrow for sins that for vengeance have cried.

Blessèd Lord Jesus, thou camest in poverty,
sharing a stable with beasts at thy birth;
stir us to work for thy justice and charity,
truly to care for the poor upon earth.

Come, Holy Spirit, create in us holiness,
lift up our lives to thy standard of right;
stir every will to new ventures of faithfulness,
flood the whole church with thy glorious light.

Holiest Trinity, perfect in unity,
bind in thy love every nation and race:
may we adore thee for time and eternity,
Father, Redeemer, and Spirit of grace.

*Words: Patrick Appleford (1925-).
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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”

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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

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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 **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)

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** ~ 228

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), after 1 Timothy 1:17

Organ Postlude


AND MAY THE LORD BLESS US ALL

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Comment: *“Like streams on the desert, God comes with healing”*

In this Hebrew Bible reading, **God comes in judgement to save the exiled people, and the prophet foresees a time of healing.** The blind will see; the deaf hear; the lame leap; and the dumb sing. Retribution will fall upon God’s enemies, but Israel will be saved. Even in the wilderness, pools of water shall spring up for them. Oracles such as this became for Judaism visions of the Lord’s final salvation. Christians believe the healing age to have begun with Jesus.

Psalm 146

A hymn of praise to the Lord, who forms the world and rules in justice, who heals and cares for the needy.

Second Reading (**The Epistle**): James 2:1-10, 14-17

Comment: *“Faith without works is dead”*

In this New Testament lesson, **practical matters of ethical behaviour among Christians are inextricable from any expression of genuine faith.** Believers are counseled against showing special treatment to the rich. God has chosen to honour the poor. The rich often trespass through oppressive conduct and, in any case, this way of treating people differently violates the royal commandment to love one’s neighbour as oneself. Christians are reminded to live under the perfect law of liberty and to act with mercy.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 7:24-37

Comment: *“Christ healing a little girl and a deaf man”*

In our gospel reading, **Jesus, traveling in Gentile territory, heals the daughter of a Gentile woman and then a deaf man with a speech impediment.** The back-and-forth between Jesus and the Syrophenician woman may seem playful or even harsh. It may be that through such a conversation Jesus saw how his mission was to include all peoples, as his followers came later to understand. The healing of the deaf man can be recognised as a fulfillment of prophecy as the new age of the kingdom draws near.

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 18, begins on page 769, in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 1, and the readings for Sunday are Psalms 63:1-8 (9-11), and 98; 1 Kings 12:21-33 and Acts 4:18-31; for Monday, September 6th, 2021, are 1 Kings 13:1-10, Psalms 41 and 52, and Philippians 1:1-11, and for the rest of the week as follows on page 769.

THEME FOR THE WEEK

“Our years of waiting for God’s coming demand that our faith be practical and workable”



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

Ms. Cicely I. Goodridge ~ 2nd

Mr. Kenrick W. White ~ 2nd

Mr. Oscar DeL. Ifill ~ 3rd

Ms. Monica H. Asgill ~ 3rd (Shut In)

Ms. Ketetra M. Proute ~ 3rd

Mrs. Catherine A. Bradshaw ~ 4th

Mr. Glyne StC. A. Bourne ~ 4th

Mrs. Margaret Fraser-Morrison ~ 4th

Ms. Aileen White ~ 4th (Shut in)
Mr. Jayden K. Arthur ~ 6th
Mr. Nathan L. Goddard Sealy ~ 6th
Ms. Edith Morris ~ 7th
Ms. Eleanor J. Blackman ~ 9th
Ms. Patricia C. Coppin ~ 9th
Mr. Goulbourne R. Drakes ~ 10th
Mrs. Monica D. Thompson ~ 10th
Ms. Donté Inniss ~ 11th
Ms. Ansona M. S. Walters ~ 12th
Ms. Cynthia A. Sylvester ~ 13th
Mr. Harold W. Banfield ~ 14th
Mrs. Margaret A. Best-Grant ~ 14th
Mr. Tony H. Herbert ~ 14th
Ms. Coral I. Martin ~ 14th
Mr. Karl D. A. Banfield ~ 16th
Ms. Kristin A. D. Smith ~ 16th
Ms. Gail V. P. Hall ~ 16th
Mrs. Julia Bourne-Pompey ~ 18th
Mr. Ronald DeC. Grant ~ 19th
Ms. Clarissa Carrington ~ 20th
Ms. Ruth E. Sparrock ~ 20th
Mrs. Audrey Weekes ~ 20th (Shut In)
Mrs. Ermine M. Lowe ~ 21st
Mr. Ezekiel Wood ~ 21st (Shut In)
Ms. Sheila I. Sealy ~ 22nd
Ms. Milroy I. King ~ 24th (Shut In)
Dr. Wendy D. Sealy ~ 24th
Ms. Donna Inniss ~ 25th
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.



NEW MINISTRY: A hearty welcome is hereby extended to the Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn, who assumed the post of Part-Time Assistant Curate of the Cathedral on Wednesday, September 1st, 2021. Rev'd Wedderburn served here in a similar capacity between the months of October and December 2019. She previously served at the Parish Churches of St. John and Christ Church.

THANKS: The Dean would like to thank the Clergy, Church Wardens, Administrative Assistant, and other Lay Readers for the service they rendered during the period, August 4th to 31st, 2021 when he served as Acting Governor-General of Barbados.

VACATION: The Rev'd Canon George Knight will be on leave during the month of September 2021. Best wishes for a refreshing holiday.





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.

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



Bereavement: We extend sincere condolences to the family of the late Mr. Arthur Lewis, who will be buried on Thursday, September 9th, 2021 at the Westbury Cemetery at 9:00 A.M. We thank God for his life, work, and witness among us.
May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.



CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Today, Sunday, September 5th, 2021
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



Wednesday, September 8th, 2021

10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



Sunday, September 12th, 2021
The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



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