The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels

St. Michael's Row, Bridgetown

welcomes you to the celebration of HOLY CONFIRMATION



October 2, 2022 9:00 A.M.

The Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels The Diocese of Barbados

Diocesan Bishop
The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. J. Maxwell, M.A.

Dean
The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

Precentor

The Rev'd Canon George Knight, B.Min.

Assistant Priest
The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

Organist/Choirmaster
Mr. John F. Bryan, B.Sc., BMus.

Organist

Mr. Eric Cobham

Administrative Assistant

Ms. Arlene Miller

Verger
Mrs. Chloe Grant

Assistant Verger Ms. Harriet Lowe

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost:

9:00 A.M HOLY CONFIRMATION

Presider and Preacher: The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. J. Maxwell, MA.

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Mrs. Valdine Browne

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude:

Welcome

The Introit Hymn ~ 798 "Stars of the morning, so gloriously bright,"

Stars of the morning, so gloriously bright, filled with celestial resplendence and light, these that, where night never followeth day, raise the Trisagion ever and ay:

These are thy counsellors, these dost thou own, Lord God of Sabaoth, nearest thy throne; these are thy ministers, these dost thou send, help of the helpless ones, us to defend. *These keep the guard amid Salem's dear bowers; thrones, principalities, virtues and powers; where, with the living ones, mystical four, cherubim, seraphim bow and adore.

'Who like the Lord?' thunders Michael the Chief; Raphael, 'the Cure of God', comforteth grief; and, as at Nazareth, prophet of peace, Gabriel, 'the light of God', bringeth release.

Then, when the earth was first poised in mid-space, then, when the planets first sped on their race, then, when were ended the six days' employ, then all the Sons of God shouted for joy.

Still let them succour us; still let them fight, Lord of angelic hosts, battling for right; till, where their anthems they ceaselessly pour, we with the angels may bow and adore.

Words: Joseph the Hymnographer? (died 883) from Greek; translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Opening Sentence "Confirmation"

Page 281

There is one body and one spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all. Ephesians 4:4-6

- V. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- R. And blessed be His Kingdom now and for ever. Amen.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Declaration

Page 284

In Baptism we became members of Christ, children of the Heavenly Father, inheritors together of the Kingdom. This was the work of God, who adopted us as His children and made us members of the family of God. We are to continue to grow in grace and in faith, to worship with the family and to respond to the living Word.

Through the laying on of hands in Confirmation, the indwelling Spirit enlightens, frees, transforms and sanctifies those who in Baptism were made God's children.

Let us therefore pray that those who now come for Confirmation may be strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit; and that they may live in righteousness and true holiness all their days.

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

The Collects: Let us pray

1. "Confirmation"

Page 284

Grant, Almighty God, that we, who have been redeemed from the old life of sin by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, may be renewed in your Holy Spirit, and live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Proper 22 The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Page 179

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(Please sit)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 16:1-9

Lector: Mr. Shaquan Pompey

LECTOR: A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of the prophet Isaiah, the sixteenth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Send lambs

to the ruler of the land,

from Sela, by way of the desert,

to the mount of daughter Zion.

Like fluttering birds,

like scattered nestlings,

so are the daughters of Moab

at the fords of the Arnon.

Give counsel,

grant justice;

make your shade like night

at the height of noon;

Hide the outcasts,

Do not betray the fugitive;

Let the outcasts of Moab

Settle among you;

Be a refuge in them

From the destroyer."

When the oppressor is no more, and destruction has ceased, and marauders have vanished from the land, then a throne shall be established in steadfast love in the tent of David, and on it shall sit in faithfulness a ruler who seeks justice and is swift to do what is right.

We have heard of the pride of Moab
—how proud he is!—
of his arrogance, his pride, and his insolence;
his boasts are false.
Therefore let Moab wail,
let everyone wail for Moab.
Mourn, utterly stricken,
for the raisin cakes of Kir-hareseth.

For the fields of Heshbon languish, and the vines of Sibmah, whose clusters once made drunk the lords of the nations, reached to Jazer and strayed to the desert; their shoots once spread abroad and crossed over the sea.

Therefore I weep with the weeping of Jazer for the vines of Sibmah; I drench you with my tears,

O Heshbon and Elealeh; for the shout over your fruit harvest and your grain harvest has ceased.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1 Page 471

Reatus vir qui non abiit

- 1. Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,* nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2. Their delight is in the law of the Lord,* and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3. They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;* everything they do shall prosper.
- 4. It is not so with the wicked;* they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5. Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes,* nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6. For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,* but the way of the wicked is doomed.

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: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Lector: Mr. John Moore

LECTOR: A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy, the first chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of

cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn 393 "Break thou the bread of life,"

Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea: beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord; my spirit pants for thee, O living Word!

Thou art the bread of life, O Lord, to me, thy holy word the truth that saveth me. Give me to eat and live with thee above; teach me to love thy truth, for thou art love.

O send thy Spirit, Lord, now unto me, that he may touch my eyes, and make me see: show me the truth concealed within thy word, and in thy book revealed I see thee, Lord.

Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me, as thou didst bless the bread by Galilee: then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall, and I shall find my peace, my all in all!

Words: Mary Artemesia Lathbury (1841-1913), st. 1, 4, 1877, and Alexander Groves (1842-1909), st. 2, 3 Gospeller: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

THE GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, the seventeenth chapter, beginning at the fifth verse.

ALL: Glory to Christ our Saviour

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"? Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

The Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon: The Rt. Rev'd Michael B. St. J. Maxwell

The Hymn 671 "My God, accept my heart this day"

My God, accept my heart this day, and make it always thine, that I from thee no more may stray, no more from thee decline.

Before the cross of him who died, behold, I prostrate fall; let every sin be crucified, and Christ be all in all.

Anoint me with thy heavenly grace, and seal me for thine own; that I may see thy glorious face, and worship near thy throne.

Let every thought and work and word to thee be ever given: then life shall be thy service, Lord, and death the gate of heaven.

All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son, all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee, while endless ages run. THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION

THE DEAN: Reverend Father in God, I present unto you

these persons who have been duly baptized to be

confirmed.

BISHOP: Have you examined them and found them ready

and desirous to be confirmed?

THE DEAN:

I have examined them and found them so to be.

The Bishop then addresses the confirmands

BISHOP

You who have come to be confirmed must now renew the solemn promise and vow that you made, or was that was made, in your name at your baptism, and must pledge to believe and do all those things which you or your Parents

and Godparents then undertook.

Do you declare and promise that you will, with the help of God live your life in the faith of Christ into which you were

baptized?

ANSWER: I do.

BISHOP:

Do you commit yourself in love to God, Father, Son and

Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: I do.

15

BISHOP:

Will you continue in the Apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and in the prayers?

ANSWER: I will.

BISHOP:

Will you persevere in resisting evil and repent whenever you fall into sin?

ANSWER: I will.

BISHOP:

Will you be a witness in your daily life to God's saving work in Christ?

ANSWER: I will.

BISHOP:

Will you seek and serve Christ by loving your neighbour as yourself remembering that ever person is loved and valued by God?

ANSWER: I will.

BISHOP:

Do you put your whole trust in His grace and love?

ANSWER: I do, and with God's help I will follow Christ as my Saviour and Lord.

The Bishop then addresses the congregation:

BISHOP:

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

ALL: We will.

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH Pages 287ff

BISHOP:

Let us join with those who are to be confirmed in the profession of our Faith.

ALL:

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord

He was conceived by the power of the

Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate.

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated

at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge

the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins.

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Act of Penitence

Page 123ff

BISHOP:

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. (1 John 1:8, 9)

(A period of silence shall be kept)

BISHOP: 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

BISHOP:

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.

(All may kneel, as able, to sing the Veni Creator Spiritus)

The Hymn **200** ~ "Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,"

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, and lighten with celestial fire; thou the anointing Spirit art, who dost thy seven-fold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above is comfort, life, and fire of love; enable with perpetual light the dullness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face with the abundance of thy grace: keep far our foes, give peace at home; where thou art guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son, and thee, of both, to be but one; that through the ages all along this may be our endless song.

'Praise to thy eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.'

PRAYER FOR THE CONFIRMANDS

The congregation remains kneeling during the prayers.

BISHOP:

Let us pray for these persons to be confirmed, and for all the baptized everywhere. The Precentor leads the following litany.

The Litanist: The Rev'd Canon George Knight

LEADER:

That they may be filled with your Holy and life-giving Spirit.

Lord in your mercy;

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

That the Holy Spirit may open their hearts to your grace and truth.

Lord in your mercy:

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

That they may be redeemed from all evil and rescued from the way of sin and death.

Lord in your mercy;

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

That they may be kept in the faith and communion of your Holy Church.

Lord in your mercy;

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

That they may go out into the world to witness to your love and transforming power.

Lord in your mercy;

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

That they be brought to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord in your mercy;

ALL: Hear our prayer.

Silence may be kept. Then the Bishop says the following, stretching out his hands towards the confirmands, all kneeling:

Father, in your Son Jesus Christ you have given to these your servants new birth in baptism by water and the Holy Spirit, and have given them forgiveness of all their sins. Let your Holy Spirit strengthen them now:

The Spirit of wisdom and understanding;

The spirit of counsel and inward strength;

The Spirit of knowledge and true godliness;

The Spirit of reverence and true religion; and graft in their hearts the love of your most Holy Name:

Through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the same Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen.

THE CONFIRMATION

Then all of them in order, kneeling before the Bishop, he shall lay his hand upon the head of each of them saying.

Confirm, O Lord, your servant **N-** with your heavenly grace that he/she may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more until he/she comes to your everlasting kingdom.

And each one answers:

Amen.

The Bishop may sign each one on the forehead with the Holy Chrism saying:

The seal of the Spirit, the promise of the Father.

The Bishop concludes with this prayer:

Almighty and everliving God we pray for these your servants upon whom after the example of your Holy Apostles we have now laid our hands. Let your fatherly hand ever be over them, let your Holy Spirit ever be with them and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your word that they may faithfully serve you in this life and dwell with you in the life to come through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREETING OF THE PEACE

BISHOP: Christ is our peace, He has reconciled us to God in one Body by the cross.

ALL: We meet in His name and share His Peace.

BISHOP: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Hymn of Fellowship: "Let there be peace on earth"

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be
With God our Creator
Children all are we
Let us walk with each other
In perfect harmony

Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment
And live each moment

In peace and eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

NOTICES and ANOUNCEMENTS

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory Hymn: 315 "Great God, your love has called us here,"

Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love for love were made. Your living likeness still we bear, though marred, dishonoured, disobeyed. We come, with all our heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.

We come with self-inflicted pains of broken trust and chosen wrong, half-free, half-bound by inner chains, by social forces swept along, by powers and systems close confined, yet seeking hope for humankind.

Great God, in Christ you call our name, and then receive us as your own, not through some merit, right or claim, but by your gracious love alone. We strain to glimpse your mercy seat, and find you kneeling at our feet.

Then take the towel, and break the bread, and humble us, and call us friends. Suffer and serve till all are fed, and show how grandly love intends to work till all creation sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things. Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your joy to share. Give us your Spirit's liberty to turn from guilt and dull despair and offer all that faith can do, while love is making all things new.

Words: Brian Wren (1936-). Words © 1975, 1995 Stainer & Bell Ltd.

The Offertory Prayer "B"

Page 126

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 EUCHARIST PRAYER

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:

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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"

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, and 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

Page 144

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 it is 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"

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

Form 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.

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/

Anthem by the Choir

Hymn: 604 "Let us enter into covenant with Christ,"

Let us enter into covenant with Christ, celebrating the eucharist of love.

Take a little bread and wine,

Lift up the chalice of the King.

Refrain:

Alleluia! It's a sign of love! Alleluia! It's a sign of peace! Alleluia! It's the mystery of faith!

Alleluia! Amen!

Take the body and the blood of Christ, in divine revelation of his love. Be transformed, O my people, from your sins, and eat and drink and live! *Refrain*

He is lifted to the throne on high and will come again to rule all the world. The saints who sleep in Christ shall rise, Rejoice, O Zion, and be glad! *Refrain*

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. 'He who comes to me I shall not turn away'.

Refrain

Come, you faithful, to the paradise of God, to the marriage feast of the Lamb.
Eat manna from the tree of life;
you are washed in the blood of Christ!

Refrain

Words: Norbert Farrell. Words © Ownership untraced.

Hymn: 456 "My hope is built on nothing less"

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; no merit of my own I claim, but wholly trust in Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

When weary in this earthly race, I rest on his unchanging grace; in every wild and stormy gale my anchor holds and will not fail. *Refrain*

His vow, his covenant, and blood are my defence against the flood; when earthly hopes are swept away he will uphold me on that day.

Refrain

When the last trumpet's voice shall sound, O may I then in him be found! Clothed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before his throne.

Refrain

Words: Edward Mate (1797-1874), alt. Words, this version © The Jubilate Group (admin. Hope publishing Co.).

Hymn: 466 "Father, I place into your hands

Father, I place into your hands the things that I can't do. Father, I place into your hands the times that I've been through. Father, I place into your hands the way that I should go, for I know I always can trust you.

Father, I place into your hands my friends and family. Father, I place into your hands the things that trouble me. Father, I place into your hands the person I would be, for I know I always can trust you.

Father, we love to seek your face, we love to hear your voice.
Father, we love to sing your praise, and in your name rejoice.
Father, we love to walk with you and in your presence rest, for we know we always can trust you.

Father, I want to be with you and do the things you do.
Father, I want to speak the words that you are speaking too.
Father, I want to love the ones that you will draw to you, for I know that I am one with you.

Words: Jenny Hewer, 1975 Words © 1975 Thankyou Music, administered by worshiptogether.com songs.

ALL:

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, whose Holy Spirit equips the Church with a rich variety of gifts: Grant that we may use them to bear witness to Christ by lives built on faith and love. Make us ready to live His Gospel and eager to do His will, that we may share with all your Church in the joys of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

BISHOP:

May the God of all grace and power through the Holy Spirit empower you for His Service and sustain you unto Eternal Life: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The Recessional Hymn 672 "O Jesus, I have promised"

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; be thou for ever near me, my master and my friend; I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway, if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me: the world is ever near; I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear; my foes are ever near me, around me and within; but, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will; O speak to re-assure me, to hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee, that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be; and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

O let me see thy footmarks, and in them plant mine own; my hope to follow duly is in thy strength alone; O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end; and then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my friend.

THE DISMISSAL

THE PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you

ALL: And also with you.

THE PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen

Organ Postlude:

The organ voluntary is offered as a gift to God to sit and enjoy. Please exit quietly if you do so during its playing so as not to disturb others. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST-YEAR C

First Reading: Isaiah 16:1-9

Comment: "The pain in Moab at the judgement of God".

The prophet gives good counsel to the Moabites, to reform what was amiss among them, and particularly to be kind to God's people, as the likeliest way to prevent the judgments before threatened. Fearing they would not take this counsel (they were so proud), he goes on to foretell the lamentable devastation of their country, and the confusion they should be brought to, and this within three years.

Psalm 1

The Lord makes fruitful the lives of those who choose the way righteousness.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Comment: "Guard the treasure entrusted to you: faith and love in Christ."

This passage is the opening letter of Paul to his friend and co-worker Timothy, whom he keeps always in his prayers. Paul is keen to see in Timothy the rekindling of the gift of faith. He prays that he will grow into a mature understanding of the gospel revealed in Jesus. Quickened

by the dwelling Holy Spirit. Timothy was the son of a Jewish mother and a Gentile father, who became a companion of Paul's at a relatively young age.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Comment: "Faith the size of a mustard seed.

In the gospel lesson, Jesus tells his disciples of faith's great power, and reminds them that servants must not expect special privileges or thanks merely for doing their duty. The first saying forcefully stresses realization that faith strength—even the power of a little faith—ought never be underestimated. The story about the hard working servant and the master makes the point that humans can never hold any claim over God and put God in their debt. For Jesus' followers there is no room for boasting or self-righteousness because of their faith and service.





Rosalind L. Cragwell Bynoe
Tiffany J. Catlyn
Rhea L. Mapp-Bynoe
Daniel E. Greenidge



www.shutterstock.com - 373589107

CATHEDRAL NEWS

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: Friends and well-wishers 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.

FLOWERS: Members of the congregation are invited to donate towards the purchase of flowers. Flowers may be donated in memory of loved ones, in celebration of birthdays, anniversaries or for any other special occasion.

Sincere thanks to Mr. Peterjon Mapp for his donation of flowers, in celebration of his daughter Rhea Mapp's confirmation today, and in memory of his mother the late Mrs. Doreen Mapp.

FAITH AND ACTION: The Board of Trustees of The St. Michael Centre for Faith and Action extends an invitation to all interested persons to join with them at their Annual General Meeting on October 5, 2022, via Zoom Communications at 6:00 p.m. Meeting ID# 847 9684 1251, Passcode 545368. Please feel free to join us.

STUDENTS' RECOGNITION: Persons who have completed a programme of study and/or are transitioning to a new one, are asked to submit the following information as soon as possible:

Name of Student:		
Name of		
Institution:		
Certification/Award:		
New Programme:		

SICK: Please remember the sick and injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Aldon and Margaret Browne, Chesterfield A Benjamin, Elsie Brunson, Colleen Byer, Darwin Clarke, Kevin Gill, Alice P. Hall, Jonathan Holder, Olga Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Blair Murray, Clyde Outram, Sylvester "Blues" Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, Marcia

Watson and George Yearwood.



BEREAVEMENT: We extend sincere condolences to the families of the late Mrs. Joan Anita Cherubin, mother of Mary and Ricardo Cherubin; and the late Mrs. Dawn

Berkley, wife of the Rt. Rev'd Claude Berkley, Bishop of Trinidad and Tobago. May they know the blessedness of those who mourn.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Heartiest congratulations to all persons who will be celebrating a birthday this week:

October 2-8, 2022

Mr. Victor St. C. Bowen (100th) ~ 2 Mrs. Margaret Fraser-Morrison ~ 4 Ms. Maeve I. Gittens ~ 5 Ms. Doris Viola Haynes ~ 7 Ms. Claudia E. Smith ~ 8 Ms. Aswika Turney ~ 8



SERMON NOTES

Text:
Topic:
Preacher:
Points to Ponder:
What was God saying specifically to me during the
Sermon?

Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings (October 2-8, 2022)			
Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings	
Sunday	Psalm 118	Psalm 145	
	Hosea 13:4-14	2 Kings 20:1-21	
	Matthew 14:1-12	1 Chronicles 2:6-16	
Monday	Psalm 106:1-18	Psalm 106:19-48	
	Hosea 14:1-9	2 Kings 21:1-18	
	Luke 6:39-49	Acts 22:30-23:11	
Tuesday	Psalms (120), 121,	Psalms 124, 125, 126,	
	122, 123	(127)	
	Micah 1:1-9	2 Kings 22:1-13	
	Luke 7:1-17	Acts 23:12-24	
Wednesday	Psalm 119:145-176	Psalms 128, 129, 130	
	Micah 2:1-13	2 Kings 22:14-23:3	
	Luke 7:18-35	Acts 23:23-35	
Thursday	Psalms 131, 132,	Psalms 134, 135	
	(133)	2 Kings 23:4-25	
	Micah 3:1-8	Acts 24:1-23	
	Luke 7:36-50		
Friday	Psalms 140, 142	Psalms 141; 143:1-	
	Micah 3:9-4:5	11(12)	
	Luke 8:1-15	2 Kings 23:36-24:17	
		Acts 24:24-25:12	
Saturday	Psalms 137:1-6(7-9)	Psalm 104	
	Micah 5:1-4, 10-15	Jeremiah 35:1-19	
	Luke 8:16-25	Acts 25:13-27	
		Collect for Proper 23	

CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

Patronal Festival

A Buzz of Angels: The Presence of The Divine in Human Affairs

'The Lord of Hosts is with us.' Ps 46:7a



Sunday, October 2, 2022 The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost 7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist 9:00 A.M. ~ Holy Confirmation

6:00 P.M. ~ Festal Evensong Preacher: The Rev'd Audrey Griffith



Wednesday, October 5, 2022 10:00 A.M. ~ A Public Service of Healing



Sunday, October 9, 2022 The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost 7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist 9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist



THEME FOR THE WEEK

"Good Christians base their actions on the faith by which they live."



OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL

Church Warden Emeritus:

Mr. Arlington DaCosta Watson, BSM, J.P.

Church Wardens:

Mr. Samuel Maxwell, J.P., Mr. Victor Sylvester

Secretary: Ms. Donnah Russell

Assistant Secretary: Mrs. Juno Burrows

Treasurer: Mr. David Murray

Assistant Treasurer: Ms. Harriett Clarke

Synod Representatives:

Mr. Darwin Clarke

Mr. Samuel Maxwell, J.P.

Dr. Wendy Sealy

Alternative Synod Representative:

Ms. Donna Inniss

LEADERS OF ORGANISATIONS AND MINISTRIES

Men's Fellowship: Mr. John Moore

Mothers' Union: Mrs. Colleen Byer

Church Army: Captain Donnah Russell

Woman's Auxiliary: Vacant

Ushers Guild: Mrs. Juno Burrows

Outreach Committee: Mrs. Delores Hinds

Guild of Servers: Mr. Jerry Alleyne

Health Ministry: Dr. Wendy Sealy

Sunday School: Mrs. Harriett Blackman

Flower Guild: Vacant

Guild of St. Raphael: Mr. Darwin Clarke

Thank you most sincerely for worshiping at the Cathedral this morning.



Sacrament of Confirmation

G N I D N A T SRED NU Q. L L C B T N R NNMNG L J V F N C R B M L H R I S M F M R T E K N 0 W L E D E Y F 0 M. C A G D B V T G K F T G W T R E D K B R V M. P R Q K P H J G D M S N M 0 S M M Z V N L Ι P G U N T H T F C R X V P W 0 E T XN P W P I T M P E L 0 H K I T G F 0 L K R H C W S I T C N E W I L I Y J M 1 C S 0 X I D R F L P T P P L U Y B L T L K S 0 F 0 K G 0 H W N P T S 0 F K G L M MR R Y R S C L Z K M. M. S T G Z I T Y L D Z Ε Ε L A E S V P Y D R Q G 0 T L K M Z P M C L L E Q. D F ВН В

BISHOP
CHRISM
COUNSEL
FEAR OF THE LORD
FIRE
FORTITUDE
GIFTS
HOLY SPIRIT

KNOWLEDGE
OIL
PIETY
SEALED
SOLDIER
SPONSOR
UNDERSTANDING
WISDOM

Images © Dover Publications

©2012 Thatresourcesite.com



CONTACT US

http://www.saintmichaelscathedral.bb

stmichaelcathedral@caribsurf.com

Address:

St. Michael's Row, Bridgetown Telephone: 1 (246) 427-0790 (Office) Mon – Friday: 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. 437-4265 (Dean's Residence)