

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II & HOLY BAPTISM

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 20, 2021

The Word of God

The Prelude: Little David, Play on Your Harp
Faith of Our Fathers

African-American spiritual
Henri Hemy, arr. Charles Callahan

The Processional Hymn: 390 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

The Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 299

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;
People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People: One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your lovingkindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, by whose grace and power your holy martyr Alban triumphed over suffering and was faithful even unto death: Grant us, who now remember him in thanksgiving, to be so faithful in our witness to you in this world that we may receive with him the crown of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

1 Samuel 17:57-18:5, 10-16

On David's return from killing the Philistine, Abner took him and brought him before Saul, with the head of the Philistine in his hand. Saul said to him, "Whose son are you, young man?" And David answered, "I am the son of your servant Jesse the Bethlehemite." When David had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was bound to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul. Saul took him that day and would not let him return to his father's house. Then Jonathan made a covenant with David, because he loved him as his own soul. Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that he was wearing, and gave it to David, and his armor, and even his sword and his bow and his belt. David went out and was successful wherever Saul sent him; as a result, Saul set him over the army. And all the people, even the servants of Saul, approved. The next day an evil spirit from God rushed upon Saul, and he raved within his house, while David was playing the lyre, as he did day by day. Saul had his spear in his hand; and Saul threw the spear, for he thought, "I will pin David to the wall." But David eluded him twice. Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with him but had departed from Saul. So Saul removed him from his presence, and made him a commander of a thousand; and David marched out and came in, leading the army. David had success in all his undertakings; for the LORD was with him. When Saul saw that he had great success, he stood in awe of him. But all Israel and Judah loved David; for it was he who marched out and came in leading them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 133 *Read responsively by half verse.*

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!
It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,
Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

The Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return-- I speak as to children-- open wide your hearts also.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Mark 4:35-41

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Reverend Carmen Germino

Holy Baptism

The Baptismal Hymn: 513 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

BRIDEGROOM

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

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The Baptismal Covenant

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The Prayers for the Candidates

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The Thanksgiving Over the Water

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The Baptism

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The Exchange of the Peace

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The Greeting and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory: 238 Blessed Feasts of Blessed Martyrs

HOLY MANNA

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord. To utilize our text-to-give option, simply text "ALBANS" to 73256.

The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer B

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The Sursum Corda

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

BCP p. 362; Hymnal S-125

Celebrant and People

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.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Alban and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

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Celebrant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

The Ministration of Communion

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The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

This prayer is meant to be prayed by those who are unable to attend in-person worship for any reason.

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, (and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshipping there) I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

The Post Communion Prayer

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Celebrant

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Recessional Hymn: 608 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

MELITA

The Dismissal

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Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude: By All Your Saints Still Striving

English tune, arr. R.V. Williams / C. Callahan

Baptismal Candidates

Elizabeth Bonnie Shereen Gillette
Wren Marie McCall

Confirmation • Reception Candidates

We give thanks for the following St. Alban's parishioners who recently completed the Diocesan adult Confirmation class and were confirmed / received into the Episcopal Church yesterday at St. John's Church in Charlotte.

Amy Gollinger
Mike Sass
Pam Sass

In Our Prayers

Parish Prayer List: Anne Cavett, Anthony, Caroline Wrisley, Christopher, Courtney Fossett, Deanna Meedel, Edward Martinez, Rev. Eric Weaver, Florence Trotter, Gray Little, Hilary Hamilton, Jean Lichte, Joe Havens, Mason, Michael Holt, Noah, Owen, Sandy Washburn-Karn, Siobhan Mooney, Terry Salazar.

Departed: We pray for the deceased, especially, Tim Gravett; and Mardi Lee, wife of Steve Lee's cousin. May their souls and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God rest in eternal peace.

In our **Parish Cycle of Prayer**, we pray all churches and institutions around the world named for Saint Alban the Martyr.

In our **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for Trinity Church in Mount Airy, St. Cyprian's & St. Stephen's in Oxford, NC.

In our **Anglican Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for the Church of North India.

Public Servant Prayer List: Matthew Shaw

A Prayer for Father's Day

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers as they nurture and care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience, compassion and love. Be with all those who feel grief or sorrow on this day. Help us to recognize all who have guided us and loved us like fathers, shining your light upon all of your beloved children, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer for Juneteenth

Almighty God, you rescued your people from slavery in Egypt, and throughout the ages you have never failed to hear the cries of the captives; We remember before you our sisters and brothers in Galveston, Texas who on June 19, 1865, received the glad tidings of their emancipation; Forgive us for the many grave sins that delayed that liberating word. God, you created us in your image. Grant us grace to contend fearlessly against evil and to make no peace with oppression. Help us, like those of generations before us, resist the evil of slavery and human bondage in any form and any manner of oppression. Help us to use our freedoms to bring justice among people and nations everywhere, to the glory of your Holy name through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.