

# **CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

## **THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

August 7, 2022 ✦ 10:30 am





# The Word of God

Voluntary	Chorale Prelude on Lead, Kindly Light	Robert Hebble (1934-2020)
Hymn # 637	How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord	<i>Lyons</i>
Opening Acclamation		BCP, p. 355
S-280*	Glory to God	Robert Powell
The Collect of the Day		

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; 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

Genesis 15:1-6

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

## The Psalm

**Psalm 33:12-22**

*Exultate, justi*

- 12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! \*  
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!
- 13 The Lord looks down from heaven, \*  
and beholds all the people in the world.
- 14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze \*  
on all who dwell on the earth.
- 15 He fashions all the hearts of them \*  
and understands all their works.
- 16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; \*  
a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.

- 17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; \*  
for all its strength it cannot save.
- 18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, \*  
on those who wait upon his love,
- 19 To pluck their lives from death, \*  
and to feed them in time of famine.
- 20 Our soul waits for the Lord; \*  
he is our help and our shield.
- 21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, \*  
for in his holy Name we put our trust.
- 22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, \*  
as we have put our trust in you.

## The Second Lesson

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Hymn # 635

If thou but trust in God to guide thee

*Wer nur den lieben Gott*

## The Gospel

Luke 12:32-40

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Sermon	The Rev. Webster Gibson
The Nicene Creed	p. 358
The Prayers of the People, Form VI	p. 392
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## The Holy Communion

The Offertory		
Anthem	Offertoire	Theodore Dubois (1837-1924)
The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)		p. 361
S-124*	Holy, holy, holy Lord	David Hurd
The Lord's Prayer		p. 364
Breaking of the Bread		p. 364
The Invitation		p. 364

## The Communion of the People

*Please wait for the ushers to signal your pew to come up.*

*The clergy will distribute communion from the center of the chancel. The wine distribution is by the side columns.*

*For the bread,*

- *Hold both hands out and up, one over the other, so the clergy can drop the bread into your hands without touching your hands. Lower your mask to consume the bread.*

*For the wine,*

- *To sip or intinct: move to the chalice for a small cup of wine. Consume the wine and place cup in the white tray on the table at the bottom of the steps. To intinct, please use the small cup of wine, intinct the wafer, and then place the wine cup in the white tray at the bottom of the steps.*
- *To receive from the common cup: please go to the left and receive from the chalice at the Paige Chapel rail. Do **not** intinct into the common chalice.*

*Those who do not wish to receive communion are invited to cross your arms over your chest and receive a no-contact blessing.*

## During Communion

Anthem

Matinal

George Frederick McKay (1899-1970)

## Post Communion Prayer

p. 365

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

Hymn # 68

Rejoice! rejoice, believers

*Llandloffan*

## The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Offertoire

Theodore Dubois (1837-1924)

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\* “S” Hymns are found in the front section of the hymnal.

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## SERVING TODAY

***Celebrant/Preacher*** – The Rev. Webster Gibson

***Lay Reader*** – Clare Dame

***Prayers of the People*** – Martha Griffin

***Lay Eucharistic Ministers*** – Clare Dame, Martha Griffin

***Ushers*** – Chris Francis, Joe Wingenbach

***Acolytes*** – Jackson Stock, Preston Crebbs

***Altar Guild*** – Pam McKinley, Jackie Mackoul

***Organist*** – Marilyn Shenenberger

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