THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:00 am – Holy Eucharist Rite II
August 30, 2020

Episcopal Church of the Redeemer
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Prelude: *Trumpet Tune* Henry Purcell

Hymn: *At The Name of Jesus* King’s Weston

*At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of glory now; ’tis the Father’s pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Opening Acclamation

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

**Celebrant:** Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

**People:** And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

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 Collect of the Day**

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

**The Lessons**

**The First Lesson**

*Jeremiah 15:15–21*

O Lord, you know;

remember me and visit me,

and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.

In your forbearance do not take me away;

know that on your account I suffer insult.

Your words were found, and I ate them,

and your words became to me a joy

and the delight of my heart;

for I am called by your name,

O Lord, God of hosts.

I did not sit in the company of merrymakers,

nor did I rejoice;

under the weight of your hand I sat alone,

for you had filled me with indignation.

Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable,

refusing to be healed?
Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,  
like waters that fail.

Therefore, thus says the Lord:  
If you turn back, I will take you back,  
and you shall stand before me.  
If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,  
you shall serve as my mouth.  
It is they who will turn to you,  
not you who will turn to them.  
And I will make you to this people  
a fortified wall of bronze;  
they will fight against you,  
but they shall not prevail over you,  
for I am with you  
to save you and deliver you,  
says the Lord.  
I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,  
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

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

The Gradual  
Psalm 26:1-8

1 Give judgment for me, O Lord,  
for I have lived with integrity; *  
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.  
2 Test me, O Lord, and try me; *  
examine my heart and my mind.  
3 For your love is before my eyes; *  
I have walked faithfully with you.  
4 I have not sat with the worthless, *  
nor do I consort with the deceitful.  
5 I have hated the company of evildoers; *  
I will not sit down with the wicked.  
6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, *  
that I may go in procession round your altar,  
7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *  
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.  
8 Lord, I love the house in which you dwell *  
and the place where your glory abides.

The Second Lesson  
Romans 12:9-21
Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:21-28

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”


People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Robert K. Marshall

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and 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,
of one 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 became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with 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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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

The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

Intercessor: For our Prayers of the People this morning, our response should be, “And bring forth in us the fruit of good works.”

Intercessor: Inspire your Church, O Holy One, with genuine love, that we may outdo one another in showing honor, rejoicing in hope, being patient in suffering, persevering in prayer, and living peaceably with all.
Nourish us with all goodness;
People: and bring forth in us the fruit of good works.

Intercessor: Inspire our nation to resist what is evil and hold fast to what is good, that we may forgo vengeance and overcome evil with good.
Nourish us with all goodness
People: and bring forth in us the fruit of good works.

Intercessor: Support all prophets with your mighty arm, that they may speak truth to power and prevail over those who oppose your works; save and deliver all who suffer from oppression, and redeem them from the grasp of the ruthless.
Nourish us with all goodness;

People: and bring forth in us the fruit of good works.

Intercessor: Guard us from being stumbling blocks to those among whom we live, and guide us to serve our neighbors humbly in the power of the cross.

Nourish us with all goodness;

People: and bring forth in us the fruit of good works.

Intercessor: Inspire our community to set our minds on divine things as we bring our concerns to you, especially on behalf of Beth, Mark, Beth, Barbara, Susan, the Blair family, Bob, and Jerry.

We thank you for your radiant presence among us and for all our gracious blessings, especially for Redeemer’s Parish Life Commission.

We return to you the lives to those who have followed Jesus into the glory of his Father.

Nourish us with all goodness;

People: and bring forth in us the fruit of good works.

Celebrant: We take up the cross of our intercession and service to you, O God, as we bring before you the suffering of the world: May the power of Christ’s resurrection bring your justice and glory into all creation, as we share our part in the redeeming work of Christ’s cross, through the power of the Spirit, glorifying your Name in all the world. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Blessing of the Backpacks and Devices

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer A

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people stand or kneel. The Leader says:

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.
Leader: 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 everywhere 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:

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.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 forever.

All: Amen.

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

All: 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Ministration of Communion
Music during Communion

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: 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

Recessional Hymn 450 All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

All hail the power of Jesus’ Name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Brig forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

The Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Virginia Milbredt.