

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Prelude

Song No. 1 (from SONGS OF HOME)

Edwin R. Taylor, 1977

The Word of God

The Processional Hymn 436

Verses 1 and 5 only, at 8:00 a.m.

Truro

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

The Celebrant continues

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.

Gloria 8:00 a.m.
10:15 a.m.

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), 356
Hymnal, S 280

The Collect of the Day

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

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.

A Reading from the Book of 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 Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 33: 12-22 *Exultate, justi*

Said at 8:00

Sung by Choir at 10:15

John Randall

- 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.

A Reading from the Letter to the 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn 533 10:15 a.m.

Lyons

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke [12:32-40]

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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 Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon	The Rev. Christian Villagomez
The Nicene Creed	BCP, 358
The Prayers of the People Form II	BCP, 385
Confession of Sin <i>Standing</i>	BCP, 360

Prayers for Birthdays and Anniversaries

O God, we give thanks for those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this month.

Look with favor we pray upon your servants as they begin another year. Bless them in their many endeavors-strengthen them and comfort them all the days of their lives. We ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Peace	BCP, 360
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Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

This Little Light of Mine/My Jesus I Love Thee	Edwin R. Taylor, 1983
Summer Choir	

The Altar is prepared for Communion. The Offering Plates will be offered but not passed through the congregation. They will be available at the church entrances following the service. Please note that the ministry of St. Mark's is funded exclusively through the generosity of parishioners and visitors. We encourage and deeply appreciate your generosity this morning. If you are worshipping online, please consider a gift through the 'Give' page on our website.

The Doxology Hymn 380 <i>Verse 3 only</i>	Old 100th
Eucharistic Prayer A <i>Standing</i>	BCP, 361
Sanctus <i>After the Sanctus, the people remain standing or kneel</i>	Hymnal, S 125
Memorial Acclamation	Hymnal, S 133
The Lord's Prayer	Hymnal, S 119
The Breaking of the Bread	Hymnal, S 154
Agnus Dei	Hymnal, S 161
The Communion Hymn 325	<i>Let Us Break Bread</i>
The Post-Communion Hymn 341 <i>10:15 a.m.</i>	<i>Omni die</i>

The Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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 Closing Hymn 493

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Verses 1 and 6 only, at 8:00 a.m.

The Dismissal

The People respond saying "Thanks be to God."

Postlude

Song No. 2 (from SONGS OF HOME)

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY
Rick and Susan Maguire in thanksgiving for their
41st wedding anniversary (August 8)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Attlee, Elsie, Suzanne, Gabe, Jim, Andy, Clarke, Carol, Maxine, Liv Maxine, Kim, Megan, Beverly, Lloyd, Sharon, Randee, Charlie, John, Gordon, Sandy, Francene, Stephen, Barbara, Jennifer, Magdalena, Susie, Lee-Ann, Jill, Connie, Carla, Rene, Diane, Bill, Yvonne, Becky & Family, Kathy, D.J., Denise, Mareynah, Anthony, June, Enil, Joe, Susan, Marysue, Juliet. (Please help us update our prayer list; call the church office, 962-3089, with names to be added or removed).

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for: The Church in the Province of the West Indies.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for: The Diocese of Southwest Florida, The Rt. Rev. Dabney T. Smith, for our Companion Dioceses of the Dominican Republic, Georgia, South Carolina and Western Louisiana; for St. Clement's, Tampa; St. Thomas' Chapel and Parrish Episcopal Church, Parrish; St. David's, Englewood; St. Edmund's, Arcadia; St. Elizabeth's, Zephyrhills; St. Francis', Tampa; DaySpring Conference Center, Parrish and St. Thomas Chapel.

SERVING TODAY

8:00

Vergers: Gretchen Feldman

Eucharistic Minister: Gipcell Free

Lector: Gretchen Feldman

Usher: Bob Stringer

Greeter: Beth Ries

Sound Board: Beth Ries

10:15

Vergers: Fran Weissing

Eucharistic Ministers: Rick Maguire, Phyllis Middaugh

Lectors: Yvonne Fraser, Melvin Ridley

Ushers: Howard Marsh, Cheryl Wennlund, Jerry Wennlund

Sound Board: Dan Price

Altar: Becky Jenkins, Susie Towater

Flowers: Diann Crawford, Becky Jenkins