

Grace Weekly: The Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

October 14, 2018

**denotes music in the 10:30 liturgy*

At the beginning of the 10:30 service, children ages 5 and up will be invited to process out of the church for Children's Chapel, an interactive, kid-friendly version of the liturgy.



***Prelude**
***Gathering Hymn 680**

Voluntary on *Nyland*
O God our help in ages past

Gordon Young
St. Anne

Collect of the Day

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading: Job 23:1-9, 16-17

Job said:

"Today also my complaint is bitter;
his hand is heavy despite my groaning.

Oh, that I knew where I might find him,
that I might come even to his dwelling!

I would lay my case before him,
and fill my mouth with arguments.

I would learn what he would answer me,
and understand what he would say to me.

Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power?
No; but he would give heed to me.

There an upright person could reason with him,
and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.

"If I go forward, he is not there;
or backward, I cannot perceive him;
on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him;
I turn to the right, but I cannot see him.

God has made my heart faint;
the Almighty has terrified me;

If only I could vanish in darkness,
and thick darkness would cover my face!"

Psalms 22:1-15 (Read responsively by whole verse, beginning with the lectern side.)

1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? *
and are so far from my cry
and from the words of my distress?

2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; *
by night as well, but I find no rest.

3 Yet you are the Holy One, *
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.

4 Our forefathers put their trust in you; *
they trusted, and you delivered them.

5 They cried out to you and were delivered; *
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man, *
scorned by all and despised by the people.

7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; *
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,

8 "He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; *
let him rescue him, if he delights in him."

9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, *

9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, *
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.

10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; *
you were my God when I was still in my mother's
womb.

11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, *
and there is none to help.

12 Many young bulls encircle me; *
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.

13 They open wide their jaws at me, *
like a ravening and a roaring lion.

14 I am poured out like water;
all my bones are out of joint; *
my heart within my breast is melting wax.

15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; *
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

***Offertory Music**

Teach me, O Lord

Thomas Attwood
Text: Psalm 119:33

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes;
and I shall keep it unto the end.

***Communion Hymn (insert)**

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Indian Folk Melody

Healing Prayer Stations: During and after the Holy Communion, members of the Order of St. Luke will serve at prayer stations in the Narthex. If you would like them to offer a prayer for you or someone you know, please feel free to go to one of the teams.

***Recessional Hymn 390**

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

Lobe den Herren

***Postlude**

Voluntary on *St. Anne*

Paul Manz

Our Prayers

Members of Grace Church: Ben & Joanne, Bill & Diane, Donna, Edwina & Frank, Gwen, Rob, Ron & Angie, Jim & Eleanor, John & Christa, Marcia & Dale, Katherine & Lisa, Linda & Al, Nan, Sami

Friends of Grace: Anne, Ronold & Linda, Ashley, Becky, Carol, Dale & Trish, Dick, Drew, Ed & Chris, Elaine, Elizabeth, Ellen, Gwen & the Breese family, the Hallmark family, Howard, Ila, Jackie, James, Jennifer, Jo & Kate, John, Kent, Mary, Matt & Marcia, Maxcy, Melene & Ron, Mickie & Howard, Norris, Pam, Randy, Rosemary, Scott & family, Sue

In our Cycles of Prayers this week, we remember: The Church in Wales and the Most Rev. John Davies, Archbishop of Wales & Bishop of Swansea & Brecon; St. Luke’s, Asheville; St. Luke’s, Boone; St. Luke’s, Lincolnton

Serving This Week

Choir: Kathy Alley, Jackie Blevins, Diane & Bill Collins, Pam Davis, Ann-Cherie & David Dye, Nancy Fergusson, Mary & Mike Hartman, Marlene Hyatt, Mary Alice & Michael Lodico, Ann Rothermel, Joanne Thrower, Jan Treston, Bill Simmons, Kathleen & Bob Vogt, Paula & Peter Welling, Derrick Zeller

Altar Guild: John Zeller, Edwina Costley, Posy Williams, Kathy Jennings

Collection Counters: Paula Welling & Laurel Destry

Coffee Hour: Tom & Maryann Sinagra (8:00)

Crucifer, Server, & Torchbearers (10:30): Sarah Yeargin, Melanie Walt, Kathy Alley

Lectors: Janine Geenen (8:00); Ginger Lambeth & Pam Davis (10:30)

Eucharistic Ministers: John Mozelewski, Lorelai Yerse, Donna Buckner (8:00)
Mary Lockey, Kenneth Ratcliffe, Betsy Stecher (10:30)

Ushers: Les Taylor, Richard & Cynthia Sand (10:30)

Eucharistic Visitor: Connie Mozelewski, visiting Dot Reid

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God.

Today

EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES

Children: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (*Downstairs, Age 3 – Kindergarten*)
Godly Play (*Downstairs, Grades 1 – 4*)

Youth: Rite 13 (*Across from Library, Grades 5 – 7*)
Journey to Adulthood (*Rector's Office, Grades 8 – 12*)

Adults: "Getting Real: From Illusion to Reality," with Father Earle Pratt. Parker Palmer has the amusing concept of "being wrinkled into reality." What does it mean to simply be who we are? How does God's grace make space for us to live our reality? We'll discuss this and more in part one of this series on Palmer's *On the Brink of Everything: Grace, Gravity & Getting Old*, on sale for \$14 during coffee hours.

Haywood Pathways Center Dinner: Please join us in serving dinner to our hungry neighbors at the Pathways Center. We will meet at 4:45 pm to prepare food and begin serving at 6:00 pm. The Pathways Center is located at 179 Hemlock Street in Waynesville. To RSVP, please text or call Natalie Bayless (650-438-2953) or Vicky Gribble (828-400-7616).

A Burial Rite for Phil Heinz will take place today at 5:00 pm in the church. Those who feel led to celebrate the life and mourn the loss of Phil are invited to join.

Announcements

Garden Tour: This Saturday, October 20th, the Grace Giving Garden will be first on a tour by Gardens That Give WNC at 9:30 am. Come learn what the GGG and other gardens are doing to combat food insecurity in Buncombe, Haywood, Jackson and other WNC counties. Lots of creative, innovative and fun ideas will be shared. Children and families are welcome!

Social Issues Forum: Domestic Violence on October 21 at 12:15 pm. Parishioner Tracy Anders will help us understand domestic violence: its history, forms of violence, effects on survivors and their children, how to seek or offer help. She will include both county and state statistics and speak on some of her own experiences as an advocate, as well as on the role of the church in the domestic violence movement. There will be a Q&A opportunity at the end. RSVP for lunch at www.gracewaynesville.com. Don't miss this informative forum on an important topic!

Red Cross Blood Drive on Saturday, October 27th from 1:30 to 5:30 pm in Thatcher Hall. Appointments not required, but highly encouraged. There is currently an emergency need for blood in this country, and you just might be the missing type! To make an appointment or volunteer during the drive, text or call Sarah Yeargin at (803) 443-5543 or use the online sign-up agent that can be reached through the church Facebook page. Please consider donating or helping if you are able!

EfM now meets regularly at 6:30 pm on Mondays in the Library. Contact Jim Lynn (404-308-4100) if you have any questions.

Office Volunteer Opportunity: The parish office is in need of a volunteer receptionist the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Duties may include answering phone calls, helping to prepare for Sunday services, proofreading, and feeding the church cats. Please contact Nancy Armstrong (404-213-3848, call or text) if you are interested. Newcomers especially welcome!

Beyond Our Doors

Living the Spiritual Life Retreat at Lake Logan Conference Center, November 5th through 8th. Presenters from the Center for Spiritual Wisdom will offer practical tools such as Contemplative Prayer, Lectio Divina (praying with sacred texts), the True & False system, the Welcoming Prayer, and other practices to point us toward transformation from the inside out. For more details and to register, visit www.center4spiritualwisdom.org.

High School Fall Retreat: November 16th through 18th at Valle Crucis Conference Center. Join Episcopal youth from across Western North Carolina in this weekend of singing, dancing, service, discussion, and worship. This year's theme is light overcoming darkness. Cost per youth is \$136. Scholarships available. Register at www.app.campdoc.com/register/camphenry. Contact Eden Lewis (elewis@diocesewnc.org) with questions.

Practice Waiting with Mary: An Advent retreat facilitated by Lauren Winner at Lake Logan Conference Center. On this 24-hour retreat, we will devote ourselves to learning from Mary about how to wait for the Holy, how to bear the Holy into the world, and how to welcome the Holy. For more info and to register, visit www.lakelogan.org/events.

Gatherings this Week: October 15-20, 2018

(* = open to all to attend)

- Cursillo Reunion, Monday, 10:00 am, Library
- *Noontime Noshing, Monday, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm, Thatcher Hall
- EfM, Monday, 6:30 pm, Library
- *Dream Group, Tuesday, 9:00 – 10:30 am, Library
- *Vestry Meeting, Tuesday, 6:00 pm, Library
- *Open Library Use, Wednesday, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
- *Holy Eucharist and Healing Service, Wednesday, 12:00 noon, Church
- Choir Rehearsal, Wednesday, 7:00 pm, Choir Room
- *Marthas Knitting Group, Thursday, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon, Marthas Room
- *Sisters of Grace, Thursday, 6:00 – 8:00 pm (Location to be announced)
- *Grace Giving Garden Tour, Saturday, 9:00 am
- *Sew Graceful, Saturday, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Marthas Room

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The Rev. Joslyn Ogden Schaefer, Rector

The Rev. Br. Raymond Escott, OSB, Deacon

The Rev. Orion Davis & The Rev. Harriet Simmons, Priest Associates

Charles M. Banks, Director of Music

Dawna Keilman, Nursery Supervisor

Sarah Yeargin, Interim Parish Administrator

Members of the Vestry

Bill Collins, Sr. Warden (2018)

Mary Lou Daily (2018)

Linda Sexton (2018)

Linda Deeb (2019)

Rob Viau (2019)

Paula Welling, Jr. Warden

Mary Lockey, Clerk

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Kenneth Ratcliffe (2020)

Fred Deeb, Treasurer