

God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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

Collect of the Day

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 18:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm *The Psalm is spoken at 8 AM and sung as a chant (S-415) at 10 AM.*

139:1-5, 12-17



- 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
 you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my
 thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
 and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
 but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

- 4 You press upon me behind and before *
 and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
 it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
 you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
 your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, *
 while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the
 earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them
 were written in your book; *
 they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of
 them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
 how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the
 sand; *
 to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.
 Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Second Lesson

Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love -- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother -- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Sequence *Silent sequence at 8 AM and sung at 10 AM.*

If thou but trust in God to guide thee (*Wer nur den Lieben Gott*) **Hymn 635**

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ

The Gospel of the Lord

Luke 14:25-33

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Beth Franklin

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People

- Leader Let us by prayer and intercession with thanksgiving make our requests to God.
- Leader For the unity of the Church in witness and proclamation of the Gospel. We pray for Susan and Robert our bishops, for Beth our priest, and for the life of this parish community. God of love,
People hear our prayer.
- Leader For the peace and stability of all peoples and for the leaders of the nations, especially Donald, our President, Antonio, Secretary General of the United Nations, Ralph, our Governor, and the members of the Arlington County Board. God of love,
People hear our prayer.
- Leader For a blessing on our homes and neighborhoods; for our relations and friends and all whom we love. May places of work, education and leisure be filled with your mercy. God of love,
People hear our prayer.
- Leader For the sick and suffering and all who minister to their needs, especially those we name at this time. *[Silence may be kept.]* God of love,
People hear our prayer.
- Leader Bring comfort to the dying, and gladden their hearts with the vision of your glory. Give rest to the departed and bring them, with your saints, to glory everlasting. God of love,
People hear our prayer.
- Leader Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession of Sin

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The Absolution

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

We greet one another, passing the peace of God.

Announcements

Preparation of the Table

Offertory

Presentation of Offerings *Sung*

From all that dwell below the skies (Old 100th) verse 3 **Hymn 380** (text follows)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic prayer A) BCP pg. 361

Eucharistic Prayer A Continues BCP pg. 361

Celebrant and People *Spoken at 8 AM and sung at 10 AM* **Hymn S-125**

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.

Eucharistic Prayer A Continues BCP pg. 362

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

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant This is the table of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love and those who want to love more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little. You who have been here often and you who have not been here very long. You who have tried to follow and you who have fallen short – come! For it is the risen Christ who invites you. It is the risen Christ who wants to meet you here.

Communion *Gluten free wafers are available, ask the priest at the altar rail.*

Communion Hymn

Where charity and love prevail (*Cheshire*) **Hymn 581**

Post Communion Prayer BCP pg. 365

Blessing

Recessional *Silent recessional at 8 AM, accompanied by Hymn at 10 AM.*

God of grace and God of glory (*Cwm Rhondda*) **Hymn 594**

Dismissal BCP pg. 366

Postlude

Prelude in G major, BWV 541

JS Bach

Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God.

Readings for Next Sunday

Exodus 32:7-14 • Psalm 51:1-11
1 Timothy 1:12-17 • Luke 15:1-10

This Week at St. Michael's

Sun., Sep. 8 <i>(Pentecost XIII)</i>	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 10:45 AM 11:15 AM 3:30 PM	Holy Eucharist II Holy Eucharist II Nursing Home Service at Regency Children's Chapel Orientation Ice Cream Social For Middle and High Schoolers
Mon., Sep. 9	11:00 AM	Office closed
Tue., Sep. 10	7:30 PM	Meals On Wheels
Wed., Sep. 11	11:00 AM	Finance Committee
Thu., Sep. 12	1:30 PM	Meals On Wheels
Fri., Sep. 13	1:30 PM 11:00 AM 1:30 PM 8:30 PM	Bible Challenge and Beyond(ers) Eucharistic Visit at Powhatan Friday Bridge Group Al-Anon
Sat., Sep. 14		Shrine Mont
Sun., Sep. 15 <i>(Pentecost XIV)</i>	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 10:45 AM	Shrine Mont Holy Eucharist II Holy Eucharist II Nursing Home Service at Regency

Those Serving Today

Lectors	10:00 AM	Annabelle Monahan, Tayt Korejwo
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	10:00 AM	Linda Denson, Linda Kelleher
Acolytes	10:00 AM	Kevin Cronk, Adam Ruff, Corbin Monahan
Ushers	10:00 AM	Cindy Warkentin, Evelyn Bence
Welcoming Ministry	10:00 AM	Roberta Thibodaux
Altar Guild		Barb Adams
Nursing Home Ministry		Dean Scribner, Betsy McGuirk, Fran Field
Counters		Fran Olsen, Nancy Tate
Coffee Hour		Mary Thorne, Mary Cushing

St. Michael's Vestry

Class of 2020 Michele Casciano, Penny Jones, Dan Plafcan (*Sr. Warden*), Molly White
Class of 2021 Barb Adams, Tim Matlack (*Jr. Warden*), Denny Saulman
Class of 2022 Caroline Haynes, Wendy Ikezawa (*Register*), Eric Samuel



**ST. MICHAEL'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
ARLINGTON, VA**

Sunday, September 8, 2019

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome!

Welcome if this is your first time with us! Welcome if you've been with us for a long time. You honor us with your presence, and we look forward to knowing you better. The root of the word *liturgy* is "the work of the people." Meaning all that happens in the sanctuary with the community who gathers works because of your participation. The beautiful thing about this invitation to participate is that, who we are and what we bring is enough because God meets us here! So don't worry about "doing" anything "right." Whether you've been to Episcopal services since you were a baby, or this is your first, we hope you'll worship in the way that is most comfortable to you. The service instructions about standing, kneeling, and other directions are intended to help clue you into the habits of this particular community.

The words of our worship service are lifted from the Episcopal (and before that Anglican) tradition. The thing that sets us apart from other denominations is our dedication to Common Prayer. These same words have been used for hundreds of years by people all over the world, and are still used today. The hope of finding ourselves in the midst of this ancient tradition is that we might both learn from those who have come before, and add our own voices to the heavenly chorus.

Sounds from children, young and old, are a valuable part of our prayer life – not a distraction from it! Families are encouraged to sit in the front of the sanctuary, allowing children as many opportunities to follow along and participate as possible. We offer children's chapel for those who would prefer an offering specifically catered to children. We also have a nursery that operates as a co-op model available to families. Please ask our ushers for more information.

The BCP stands for the Book of Common Prayer, which is the red book found on the shelf in the pews. *The 1982 Hymnal* contains songs of our tradition, which may be found on the shelf in the pews.

Order of Worship

Prelude

Andante molto Christian Gotthilf Tag

Procession *Silent procession at 8 AM, accompanied by Hymn at 10 AM*

Praise to the living God! (*Leoni*) **Hymn 372**

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II BCP pg. 355

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

Collect for Purity BCP pg. 355

Gloria *Spoken at 8 AM (text follows) and sung at 10 AM* **Hymn S-278/BCP pg. 356**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord