



ST. ALFRED'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
PALM HARBOR, FLORIDA

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Saturday, August 31, 2024 at 5 p.m.

The Reverend Peter Lane, Celebrant and Preacher

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, September 1, 2024 at 10 a.m.

The Reverend Peter Lane, Celebrant and Preacher

The Chiming of the Hour (*Prayerful silence is requested as our worship begins.*)

The Prelude

Andante

Joseph Rheinberger

(Scott Garrett - Flute, Laurel Bennett - Clarinet)

The Word of God

Hymn 423

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom 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 in excelsis S 280

Robert Powell

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the following Collect.

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 First Lesson: Song of Solomon 2:8-13

The voice of my beloved!

Look, he comes,

leaping upon the mountains,

bounding over the hills.

My beloved is like a gazelle
or a young stag.

Look, there he stands
behind our wall,
gazing in at the windows,
looking through the lattice.

My beloved speaks and says to me:

“Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away;

for now the winter is past,
the rain is over and gone.

The flowers appear on the earth;
the time of singing has come,
and the voice of the turtledove
is heard in our land.

The fig tree puts forth its figs,
and the vines are in blossom;
they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 45:1-2, 7-10 *Eructavit cor meum*

Jerome Webster Meachen

(All are invited to join in singing the following Psalm, changing pitch at the underlined syllable or word.)



- 1 My heart is stirring with a noble song;
let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; *
my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.
- 2 You are the fairest of men; *
grace flows from your lips,
because God has blessed you for ever.



- 7 Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, *
a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom;
you love righteousness and hate iniquity.
- 8 Therefore God, your God, has anointed you *
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.
- 9 All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, *
and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.
- 10 Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; *
on your right hand is the queen,
adorned with the gold of Ophir.

The Epistle: James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 656

Blest are the Pure in Heart

Franconia

The Holy Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

“This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.”

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Peter Lane

(A moment for reflection.)

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 response following each intercession is:*
Lord, hear our prayer.

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and 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.

The Priest, stands and says

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

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All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Aria

Alfred Fedak, arr. K. Johnson

(Scott Garrett - Flute, Laurel Bennett - Clarinet)

(The people stand and sing the following hymn while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.)

Hymn 380, Stanza 3

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer B*

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The people remain standing. The Celebrant, faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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:

The Sanctus S 125

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and might, Heav'n and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with _____ and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 for ever. *AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

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Celebrant

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

Celebrant and People

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

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The Fraction Anthem

Christ Our Passover

Gerald Near

(Organ) Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ — our Pass-o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; therefore let us
 keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Communion Voluntary

Adagio

T. Dubois. arr. C. Callahan

(Two Canonical Pieces)

The Postcommunion Prayer *(Said by All)*

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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 556, Stanzas 1-5

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

Marion

The Dismissal

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The People respond Thanks be to God.

(If you must leave before the conclusion of the Postlude, please do so quietly as our broadcast is still in progress.)

Postlude

Allegro maestoso e vivace

Felix Mendelssohn

(Sonata in C, Op. 65 No. 2)

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Dorothy Stevens in thanksgiving for her daughter Alice.

Coffee Hour

Please join us for coffee hour in Reister Hall immediately following the service.

Reister Hall is located to your left as you exit the church building.

Prayer List

Please pray for:

David	Linda Groseclose	Our nation
Doralee	Alex and Diane Hugill	All who serve our
Meghan and Ryan	Ralph & Charlotte Jordan	country at home and
Michele, Charlotte and John	Sara Kessinger	abroad
Sarah	Fran Lever	Those affected by
David and Lynne Aukamp	Diane Linindoll	COVID
Donna Barabba	Cindy Logsdon	Healthcare Workers
David Bliss	Jeannie Mahnke	Victims of violence
Beverly Butters	Fran Martin	Victims of natural
Doug Condrat	Wendie Roeper	disasters
Jo Ann Creamer	Sally Swinson	The people of Israel,
Keith Glass	Wally and Joan Tyson	Palestine, Gaza, Ukraine,
		Sudan, Haiti and all
		places torn by strife

Weekly Calendar

Monday, September 2	Labor Day - Church Office Closed 7 p.m., Bible Study (Library & Zoom)
Tuesday, September 3	10 a.m., Communications Meeting (Library) 1 p.m., Daughters of the King (Library)
Wednesday, September 4	10 a.m., Book Club (Library & Zoom)
Thursday - September 5	10:30 a.m., Centering Prayer (Garrett Chapel) 12 p.m., Holy Eucharist with Healing 6:30 p.m., Choir Potluck Supper and Rehearsal 8:30 p.m., AA Meeting (Reister Hall)
Friday - September 6	1:30 p.m., Caregiver Support Group (Library)
Saturday - September 7 16 Pentecost	2 p.m., Rice Bagging/Outreach Meeting (Reister Hall) 5 p.m., The Holy Eucharist: Rite I
Sunday - September 8 16 Pentecost	10 a.m., The Holy Eucharist: Rite II 11:15 a.m., Coffee Hour (Reister Hall) 12 p.m., Adult Faith Formation (Library & Zoom)

— *Announcements* —

Adult Faith Formation

The Adult Faith Formation group will continue to study the book *Grounded - Finding God in the World - A Spiritual Revolution* by Diana Butler Bass. The Adult Faith Formation group meets each Sunday at noon in the Library of the Parish Center. You may also attend via Zoom. Come, join us!

The Daughters of the King, Tuesday, September 3

The Daughters of the King will meeting in the Library of the Parish Center on Tuesday, September 3 at 1 p.m.

Book Club, Wednesday, September 4

St. Alfred's Book Club will meet on Wednesday, September 4 at 10 a.m. in the Library of the Parish Center. They will be discussing *Calico Joe* by John Grisham.

Adult Choir Pot Luck and First Rehearsal, Thursday, September 5

The Adult Choir will resume rehearsals following a pot luck dinner in Reister Hall on Thursday, September 5 at 6:30 p.m. A ham will be furnished, choir members are asked to bring a dish to share: salad, vegetable, or dessert. New members are welcome.

Starfish Ministry and Outreach Team Meeting, Saturday, September 7

On Saturday, September 6 at 2 p.m., the Starfish Ministry will gather to bag rice in Reister Hall. Several tons of rice have been portioned into bags since this ministry began. The Outreach Team will meet after bagging rice. All are invited to come and share in this ministry.

Andante - Joseph Rheinberger, J. Fischer

Aria - Alfred Fedak, Selah Music Publishing

Adagio (Two Canonical Pieces) - Theodore Dubois, arr. Charles Callahan, MorningStar Music Publishers

Allegro maestoso e vivace (Sonata in C, Op. 65 No. 2) - Felix Mendelssohn, G. Henle Verlag

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