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THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

June 18, 2023..... 11:00 a.m.

The Rev. Mary Richard, *Celebrant*

The liturgy is found in the red Book of Common Prayer (Prayer Book).

Hymns and Service Music (S) are in the blue Hymnal 1982.

ORGAN PRELUDE..... "Little" Prelude and Fugue in F J.T. Krebs

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN 610 Lord, whose love in humble service BLAENHAFREN

The liturgy continues on page 355 of the Prayer Book.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO Hymn 421 ALLEIN GOTT

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON Exodus 19:2-8a

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.” So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. The people all answered as one: “Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.”

METRICAL PSALM 100 Hymn 377 OLD 100TH

THE EPISTLE Romans 5:1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

HYMN 456 O love of God, how strong and true DE TAR

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 9:35-10:23

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town. See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”

SERMON..... The Rev. Mary Richard
 THE NICENE CREED.....Prayer Book, page 358
 THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Form IV.....Prayer Book, page 388
 CONFESSION OF SINPrayer Book, page 360
 THE PEACE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEMJubilate Deo Richard Purvis

The anthem text may be found on page 45 of the Prayer Book.

All Baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Eucharist in The Episcopal Church. If you are not comfortable receiving the Eucharist, you are invited to receive a blessing instead. Simply cross your arms over your chest at the altar rail to indicate that you would prefer a blessing. You are also welcome to remain seated. We encourage you to do whatever is authentic to your beliefs and comfortable to your convictions.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – PRAYER B.....Prayer Book, page 367

SANCTUS S-125..... Richard Proulx, *A Community Mass*

FRACTION ANTHEM S-161 David Hurd, *New Plainsong*

AT THE ADMINISTRATION

HYMN 321 My God, thy table now is spread..... ROCKINGHAM

HYMN 541 Come, labor onORA LABORA

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNIONPrayer Book, page 365

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN Lord, you give the great commission..... ABBOT’S LEIGH

The hymn may be found on the insert.

ORGAN POSTLUDE.....Sortie in DL. Wély

Welcome to the Church of the Holy Cross! Our community is grounded in Baptism, Eucharist, prayer, and service. For it is in these things that we answer the call of our Lord to love God and love our neighbor.

*The flowers on the high altar this morning are given to the glory of God
and in memory of her husband, Harry, by Carolyn Mahlen.*

SERVING TODAY

Pembroke Roeder & James Woodham LECTORS
Lucie Thornton PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Herschel Richard & Lucie Thornton EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Tommie Sue Brooks & Cheryl McBride USHERS
James Woodham ACOLYTE
Tommie Sue Brooks & Cheryl McBride ALTAR GUILD

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Brian Jackson ASSISTANT SEXTON



1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and
 2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my name bap -
 3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bo - dy,
 4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther, what they
 5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you



preach the word." Lest the church for - get its mis - sion,
 tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise,
 this my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,
 do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure
 to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,



and the gos - pel go un - heard,
 life a - bun - dant meant for each,
 dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward,
 all that you so free - ly give.
 may we serve as you in - tend



help us wit - ness to your pur - pose
 give us all new fer - vor, draw us
 ask - ing that the world a - round us
 May your care and mer - cy lead us
 and, a - mid the cares that claim us,



with re - newed in - te - gri - ty.
 clos - er in com - mun - i - ty.
 share your child - ren's lib - er - ty.
 to a just so - ci - e - ty.
 hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty.

Refrain



With the Spir - it's gifts em - power us for the work of min - i - stry.

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