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**THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

October 8, 2023..... 11:00 a.m.

The Rev. Mary B. Richard, *Celebrant*

*The liturgy is found in the red Book of Common Prayer (Prayer Book).
Hymns and Service Music (S) not in this leaflet are in the blue Hymnal 1982.*

PIANO PRELUDE Gnosienne No. 1..... Erik Satie (1866-1925)

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN 518 Christ is made the sure foundation WESTMINSTER ABBEY

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

SONG OF PRAISE S-236 John Rutter (b. 1945)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except

through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved
my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?

When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.

I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown

with briars and thorns;
 I will also command the clouds
 that they rain no rain upon it.
 For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
 is the house of Israel,
 and the people of Judah
 are his pleasant planting;
 he expected justice,
 but saw bloodshed;
 righteousness,
 but heard a cry!

PSALM 80:7-14..... Refrain: PICARDY; plainsong, tone 1.viii

The choir sings the refrain, then all repeat.



The vine-yard of the LORD of hosts



is the house of Is - ra - el.

The choir chants the verses, and all respond with the refrain as marked.

<p>7 Restore us, O God of hosts; * show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.</p> <p>8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; * you cast out the nations and planted it.</p> <p>9 You prepared the ground for it; * it took root and filled the land.</p> <p>10 The mountains were covered by its shadow * and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.</p>	<p>11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea * and its branches to the River. Refrain</p> <p>12 Why have you broken down its wall, * so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?</p> <p>13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, * and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.</p> <p>14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; * preserve what your right hand has planted. Refrain</p>
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THE EPISTLE.....Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

HYMN 458My song is love unknown (vv. 1-2, 5, 7) LOVE UNKNOWN

THE HOLY GOSPELMatthew 21:33-46

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:

'The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;

this was the Lord's doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes'?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

SERMON.....The Rev. Mary B. 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

HYMN 483The head that once was crowned with thornsST. MAGNUS

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – EOW PRAYER 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God,
source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS S-127..... Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

“Take, eat:

This is my Body which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all

for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, mother of God, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

THE LORD’S PRAYERPrayer Book, page 364

FRACTION ANTHEM.....Peter Crisafulli (b. 1946)

Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sins of the world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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.

ANTHEM Grant us your peace..... F. Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Grant us your peace, O loving Lord, our Rock and firm foundation.

Our faith is in your excellent word, speaking to every nation your promise of sure salvation.

HYMN Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth GATTA

The hymn is found on the following page of the leaflet.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Prayer Book, page 365

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

HYMN 448 O love, how deep, how broad, how high!..... DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

PIANO POSTLUDE Tarantella..... Albert Piecznoka (1828-1912)

The flowers on the high altar this and last Sunday are given to the glory of God and in memory of Reece Middleton, and in celebration of other loved ones Margaret Boudreaux, Louis Wallace, Blaise Wallace, Dakota Wallace, and Nick Baccio, on their October birthdays.

“In the earliest of the sacramentaries, the Leonine, today’s collect is found among the prayers for the autumn ember days. Greatly revised, it appears in the Gallican *Missale Francorum* as the concluding collect of the prayers of the people at a Sunday Mass and in the Gelasian sacramentary. The supplement to the Gregorian appoints it for the twelfth Sunday after Pentecost. The Sarum missal and previous Prayer Books place it on the twelfth Sunday after Trinity. The 1549 ending, ‘giving unto us that that our prayer dare not presume to ask, through Jesus Christ our Lord,’ was closer to the Latin versions than the fuller ending of 1662. Our sense of our own unworthiness often makes us unwilling to pray, yet through prayer we receive forgiveness for our sins as well as ‘other good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ.’”

– Marion J. Hatchett’s *Commentary on the American Prayer Book*



1. Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth, up - on a cross they bound thee,
 2. O awe - ful Love, which found no room in life where sin de - nied thee,
 3. New ad - vent of the love of Christ, shall we a - gain re - fuse thee,
 4. O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in us thy new cre - a - tion;



and mocked thy sav - ing king - ship then by thorns with which they crowned thee:
 and, doomed to death, must bring to doom the powers which cru - ci - fied thee;
 till in the night of hate and war we per - ish as we lose thee?
 our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled, we wait thy re - ve - la - tion:



and still our wrongs may weave thee now new thorns to pierce that stead - y brow,
 till not a stone was left on stone, and all those na - tions pride, o'er - thrown,
 From old un - faith our souls re - lease to seek the king - dom of thy peace,
 O love that tri - umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be - fore thy cross,



and robe of sor - - row round thee.
 went down to dust _____ be - side thee!
 by which a - lone _____ we choose thee.
 to fin - ish thy _____ sal - va - tion.

Words: Walter Russell Bowie (1882-1969), alt.

Music: GATTA, Kenneth Miller (b. 1989)



ROOFTOP RESCUE

October 2023 is the 19th anniversary of the Hope House. We're still a place that our homeless friends can come and take a shower, do their laundry, use the phone and receive mail. We've continued to provide additional services such as, legal assistance, Life Skill Classes, SNAP, Medicaid/Medicare, ID's, Mental Health Evaluations & Referrals, Substance Abuse Referrals, housing, etc. Many lives have been touched through this ministry. Check out our Facebook page and be sure to "LIKE" and FOLLOW" for daily updates.

We'll be placing Donna Earnest on the Hope House rooftop until we have raised \$2,023. Besides rescuing Donna your gift provides for the continuing costs that occur at the Hope House. Donations can be made on the day of the event at the Hope House or a donation can be mailed prior to the event to ensure the funds are included in the fundraiser totals. Please make your checks payable to Holy Cross Hope House with Rooftop Rescue noted in the memo. You can also make an online donation through churchholycross.org and click the "DONATE" tab at the top right. Be sure and designate your gift to 2023 Hope House Rooftop Rescue. Thank you for giving!

FUNDRAISER 2023

Help us raise
funds to bring
Donna off the
rooftop

Date: Saturday
October 21,
2023

Time: 7am until
the goal of
\$2,023 is raised

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