



Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, August 2, 2020

NOTE: *We will not be holding any services or parish gatherings until further notice, due to the governments' current COVID-19 restrictions. The church is currently closed to tenants and parishioners. Please check our [YouTube channel](#) every Sunday after 9:00 a.m. for our Weekly Worship Service.*



**St. Matthew
the Apostle, Oriole**
Anglican Church

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***“To Seek and Serve
Christ in all persons”***

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SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist

with Church School

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ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE - ORIOLE ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Gathering of the Community

*We welcome you today to St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole Anglican Church. We follow the Order of Service in the **Book of Alternative Services, (BAS.)***

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Matthew 4.4

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Hymn: 345 King of glory, King of peace GWALCHMAI

King of glory, King of peace, I will love Thee;
and that love may never cease, I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee,
and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me;
and alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;
in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort to enroll thee:
even eternity's too short to extol thee.

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Almighty God,

All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.

Glory to God

Choir: Glory to God in the highest,

All: and peace to his people on earth. Lord 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.

Collect of the Day

Officiant: Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Reader: **A Reading from the Book of Genesis (32:22-31)**

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. 23 He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 17:1-7, 16..... p. 720 BAS

Refrain: Show me your marvelous loving-kindness.

Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord; give heed to my cry;
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
Let my vindication come forth from your presence;
let your eyes be fixed on justice. **Refrain**

Weigh my heart, summon me by night,
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
I give no offence with my mouth as others do;
I have heeded the words of your lips. **Refrain**

My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law;
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.
I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;
incline your ear to me and hear my words. **Refrain**

Show me your marvellous loving-kindness,
O Saviour of those who take refuge at your side from those who rise up against them.
But at my vindication I shall see your face;
when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness. **Refrain**

Reader: **A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans (9:1-5)**

I am speaking the truth in Christ--I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit--I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

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Gradual Hymn 70 Jesus, the joy of loving hearts MARYTON

Jesus, the joy of loving hearts, true source of life, our lives sustain;
from the best bliss that earth imparts, we turn unfilled to you again.

Your truth unchanged has ever stood; you rescue those who on you call:
to those yet seeking, you are good; to those who find you, all in all.

We taste of you, the living bread, and long to feast upon you still.
We drink from you, the fountain head; our thirsty souls from you we fill.

Our restless spirits long for you, however may our lot be cast,
glad when your gracious smile we view, blessed when our faith can hold you fast.

Jesus, forever with us stay: make all our moments calm and bright;
chase the dark night of sin away; spread through the world your holy light.

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospeller: Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. *(Matthew 14:13-21)*

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rev. Lisa Newland

The Nicene Creed *(Please stand)*

Officiant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: 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. With the Father and the Son he is

worshipped 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.

Prayers of the people *(Prepared by Walter Deller)*

Leader: Let us lift up our hearts,

All: we lift them with thanks to you, Lord.

The Lord's Prayer *(sung)*

Officiant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

All : Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Officiant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us into relationship. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

(silence)

Most merciful God,

All: 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 neighbours 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.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Officiant: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Liturgy of Farewell

The Incumbent returns the Parish List, the keys or another symbol to a churchwarden which was given at her Induction as Parish Priest.

People and Priest pray together:

O God, you have bound us together for a time as priest and people. We give you thanks for the ministry we have shared during these years together.

We thank you for your patience with us despite our blindness and slowness of heart.

We thank you for your forgiveness and mercy in face of our failures.

We thank you for those who have been joined to the Church family through the Sacrament of Baptism. We thank you for opening our hearts and minds to your Word, and for feeding us abundantly with the Body and Blood of your Son. We thank you for the faithful departed who have laboured with us and are now at rest in Christ.

Now, we pray, be with those who leave and those who stay; and grant that all of us, by drawing nearer to you, may always be close to each other in the communion of saints. All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Final Blessing by Rev. Lisa *(by Peter Nott, England)*

Celebrant: O Lord God, from whom we come, in whom we are enfolded, to whom we shall return, bless us in our pilgrimage through life: with the power of the Father protecting, with the love of Jesus indwelling, and the light of the Spirit guiding, until we come to our ending, in life and love eternal. **Amen.**

Blessing of Rev. Lisa by the Rev. Canon John Wilton

The congregation says:

**Lisa, we send you forth now to your new ministry.
May God be with you, Geoff, Paige and Colin in the years ahead.
We will remember you in our prayers and ask you to pray for us.
We thank God for the ministry we have done together and for the laughter and tears we have shared.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.**

Rev. Lisa: Thanks be to God.

During the singing of this final hymn, the Incumbent places a chasuble, stole or other symbol on the altar and processes to the back of the church.

Hymn 399 Now thank we all our God NUN DANKET

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
and nourish us with grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world in the next.

All praise and thanks to God eternal now be given,
to Spirit and to Word, who reign in highest heaven:
our ever faithful God, whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Postlude

Genesis 32:22-31

We continue in the complex of stories that make up the third cycle in Genesis (ch 25:19-ch.36), often called the Jacob Cycle since they focus largely on the second of Isaac and Rebekah's two sons, Jacob. He had been born gripping his older twin brother's heel, and was named Ya'aqob (Jacob) which mean "he holds by the heel" or "he cheats." Jacob's whole life is marked by manipulation and cheating—of other people and even of God. After fleeing from his brother Esau, whom he has cheated of birthright and blessing, Jacob finally comes to his mother's and grandfather Abraham's land, Aram (present day Syria), and settles down to live with Rebekah, his mother's brother, Uncle Laban. After marrying both of Laban's daughters, with the ensuing conflict that results from his favouritism, and amid growing conflict with his uncle, Jacob decides to leave Aram and return home to Canaan. Laban pursues him, and they eventually agree to a truce and a territory marker (ch 31). Now Jacob faces the prospect of his angry brother, Esau. He sends ahead messages and gifts to butter him up. When Esau announces he is coming with four hundred men, Jacob eventually even sends his wives and children across the Jordan ahead of himself. Once again on the boundary of the land, he has another night encounter in which he wrestles with a powerful and unidentified stranger. Finally, the stranger cheats Jacob by injuring his hip. The identity of the stranger at the Wadi Jabbok is deliberately ambiguous. Is it brother Esau come for revenge? Is it Jacob's on guilty conscience? Is it a river-demon or boundary-demon as some 19th century scholars thought? Is it an angel? Or is it God? In the end Jacob receives a new identity, Yisra-el-- "He struggles with God."

[Dr. Walter Deller/2020]
