



St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



Rembrandt – Moses and the Ten Commandments-- 1659

17th Sunday after Trinity
October 4, 2020 10:00 AM

Morning Prayer

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Prelude

Mary Lee Voort

Welcome and Announcements

Br. Jason Carroll

Children's Focus

Wendy Doherty

Opening Hymn: Hymn #524 "O Christ, the Great Foundation"

**O Christ, the great foundation on which your people stand
to preach your true salvation in every age and land:
pour out your Holy Spirit to make us strong and pure,
to keep the faith unbroken as long as worlds endure.**

**Baptized in one confession, one church in all the earth,
we bear our Lord's impression, the sign of second birth.
One holy people gathered in love beyond our own;
by grace we were invited, by grace we make you known.**

**This is the moment glorious when he, who once was dead,
shall lead his church victorious, their champion and their head.
The Lord of all creation his heavenly kingdom brings:
the final consummation, the glory of all things.**

The Penitential Rite

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Psalm 51:18

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him when he draws near; let the wicked forsake their ways, and the evil ones their thoughts; and let them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he will richly pardon.
Isaiah 55:6, 7

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8- 9

The officiant says to the people,

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All kneel and silence is kept. The officiant and people say together,

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 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.

The priest says, (while standing)

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.

(all stand)

Officiant Lord, open our lips,

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

All **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 Invitatory

God rules over all the earth: **O, come, let us worship.**

Jubilate Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *

serve the Lord with gladness

and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *

he himself has made us, and we are his;

we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his name.**

**For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

First Reading Exodus 20: 1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Michael Larsen

20 And God spoke all these words:

² “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

³ “You shall have no other gods before me.

⁴ “You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below.

⁷ “You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

⁸ “Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work,

¹² “Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³ “You shall not murder.

¹⁴ “You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵ “You shall not steal.

¹⁶ “You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

¹⁷ “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house. You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

¹⁸ When the people saw the thunder and lightning and heard the trumpet and saw the mountain in smoke, they trembled with fear. They stayed at a distance ¹⁹ and said to Moses, “Speak to us yourself and we will listen. But do not have God speak to us or we will die.”

²⁰ Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid. God has come to test you, so that the fear of God will be with you to keep you from sinning.”



The heavens declare your glory, O God,
and the firmament shows your handiwork.
One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to another. **R.**

Although they have no words or language,
and their voices are not heard,
their sound has gone out into all lands,
and their message to the ends of the world. **R.**

The law of God is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of our God is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
The statutes of our God are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of God is clear and gives light to the eyes. **R.**

The fear of God is clean and endures for ever;
the judgments of our God are true and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward. **R.**

Second Reading Philippians 3: 4b-14

Jacky Hall Buckland

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more:
⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a
Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as for zeal, persecuting the church;
as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more,
I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my
Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ
⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law,

but that which is through faith in^[a] Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Gradual Hymn: "Glorify Thy Name"

Father we love You
We worship and adore You
Glorify Thy name in all the earth
Glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Jesus we love You
We worship and adore You
Glorify Thy name in all the earth
Glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Spirit we love You
We worship and adore You
Glorify Thy name in all the earth
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Gospel Reading Matthew 21: 33-46

René Boéré

Reader The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

³³ “Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. ³⁴ When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit.

³⁵ “The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third.

³⁶ Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. ³⁷ Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he said.

³⁸ “But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him and take his inheritance.’ ³⁹ So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

⁴⁰ “Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?”

⁴¹ “He will bring those wretches to a wretched end,” they replied, “and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time.”

⁴² Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:

“The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
the Lord has done this,
and it is marvelous in our eyes’?”

⁴³ “Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. ⁴⁴ Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed.”

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard Jesus’ parables, they knew he was talking about them. ⁴⁶ They looked for a way to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowd because the people held that he was a prophet.

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says, The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Steve Bateman

Anthem: “He Will Hold Me Fast” – S. Townsend/K. Getty; sung by
Karen Hudson and Joanne Collier with Brandon deGorter, alto sax

(all stand)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

(all kneeling)

Wayne Edwards

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We Pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania, The Most Revd Dr Maimbo Mndolwa - Archbishop of Tanzania and Bishop of Tanga.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: In our Diocese we pray for St. Cyprian of Bocket, and St. Paul and St. Thomas of Cardston. We also pray for our National House of Bishops. In our companion Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for the Cathedral Church of St. George (Parish of St. George and St. Andrew) with Transfiguration, The Ascension and the Holy Redeemer and The Very Rev. Samuel Nichols.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray this day for those involved in Men's and Women's Groups: Evening Group, Friendship Group, Men's Group and the Cursillo Community.

Collect

Almighty God, You have built your church on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone. Join us together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may become a holy temple, acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn: #436 "I Bind Unto Myself Today"

**I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same, the Three-in-One, and One-in-Three.**

**I bind this day to me forever, by power of faith, Christ's incarnation,
his baptism in the Jordan river, his death on cross for my salvation.
his bursting from the spiced tomb, his riding up the heavenly way,
his coming at the day of doom, I bind unto myself today.**

**I bind unto myself today the virtues of the starlit heaven,
the glorious sun's life giving ray, the whiteness of the moon at even,
the flashing of the lightning free, the hand to guide, his shield to ward,
the word of God to give me speech, his heavenly host to be my guard.**

**I bind unto myself today the power of God to hold and lead,
his eye to watch, his might to stay, his ear to hearken to my need,
the wisdom of my God to teach, his hand to guide, his shield to ward,
the word of God to give me speech, his heavenly host to be my guard.**

**Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.**

**I bind unto myself to the name, the strong name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same, the Three-in-One, and One-in-Three,
of whom all nature hath creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word.
Praise to the Lord of my salvation; salvation is of Christ the Lord.**

Dismissal

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. Amen.

Postlude

Brandon deGorter

Flowers at the altar are in loving memory of Robert and Amy, Robert, Sheila, Susan, Beryl, and mother Peggy.

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