

St. James Episcopal Church
Westernport, MD

St. Peter's Episcopal Church
Lonaconing, MD

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 6, 2021

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Welcome! We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Please follow COVID safety regulations by wearing your mask especially if you are not vaccinated, and everyone while singing, and maintaining proper social distancing by sitting only where the blue tape is on the pew backs.

We are asked to remember in our prayers: Shirley, Mary Ellen, Jerry, Rowland, Daniel, Robert, Judy, James, Joey, Cara, Pam, Jean, Bev, Joe, Gail, and for Kathy, Ann, Violet, Melanie, Janet, and those known to us and to God alone.

If you know of others that should be added to the prayer list, please let one of the clergy know.

Organ Prelude

Processional Hymn

Hymnal 1982, #569

- 1** *God the Omnipotent! King who ordainest
thunder thy clarion, the lightning thy sword;
show forth thy pity on high where thou reignest:
give to us peace in our time, O Lord.*

- 2** *God the All-merciful! Earth hath forsaken
thy ways all holy, and slighted thy word;
bid not thy wrath in its terrors awaken:
give to us peace in our time, O Lord.*

- 3** *God, the All-righteous One! Earth hath defied thee;
yet to eternity standeth thy word,
falsehood and wrong shall not tarry beside thee:
give to us peace in our time, O Lord.*

- 4** *God the All-provident! earth by thy chastening
yet shall to freedom and truth be restored;
through the thick darkness thy kingdom is hastening:*

thou wilt give peace in our time, O Lord.

Words of Welcome

All stand

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

Almighty God, to you 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.***

The following is said, all standing

The Gloria

***Glory to God in the highest,
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.***

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray together:

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

**The First Lesson A Reading from the Book of 1 Samuel [8:4-11, (12-15),
16-20, (11:14-15)]**

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, “You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.” But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to govern us.” Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.”

So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; [and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain

and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers.] He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day.”

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

[Samuel said to the people, “Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship.” So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the Lord in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the Lord, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.]

Reader *The Word of the Lord*
People *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm

Psalm 138

Confitebor tibi

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, *
that great is the glory of the Lord.

- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; *
 he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
 you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
 your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; *
 O Lord, your love endures for ever;
 do not abandon the works of your hands.

The Epistle:

A Reading from 2 Corinthians [4:13-5:1]

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—“I believed, and so I spoke”—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual Hymn

Hymnal 1982, # 627 v.1

*Help us, O Lord, to learn the truths your word imparts:
 To study, that your laws may be inscribed upon our hearts.*

The Holy Gospel of our LORD according to Mark [3:20-35]

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”— for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon Hymn

Hymnal 1982, # 510

1 *Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all thy quickening powers;
kindle a flame of sacred love in these cold hearts of ours.*

- 2 *See how we trifle here below, fond of these earthly toys:
our souls, how heavily they go, to reach eternal joys.*
- 3 *In vain we tune our formal songs, in vain we strive to rise:
hosannas languish on our tongues, and our devotion dies.*
- 4 *Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all thy quickening powers;
come, shed abroad a Savior's love, and that shall kindle ours.*

The Sermon

Rev. Garrett H. Carskadon

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, Form VI

(BCP, p. 392)

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; and especially for Joseph our president, and Larry and Jim our governors;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Eugene and Robert, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregations: We are asked to remember in our prayers: Shirley, Mary Ellen, Jerry, Rowland, Daniel, Robert, Judy, James, Joey, Beverly, Cara, Pam, Jean, Bev, Joe, Gail, Kathy, Ann, Violet, Melanie, Janet, Joan, and those known to us and to God alone.

Silence; The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life

Silence; The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom
[and at St. James' we remember the lives of June and Emmett Ryan and the
Donald Whitworth Family, in whose memory the flowers are given today.]

Silence; The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant

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 Bishop, when present, or 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

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People ***And also with you.***

Announcements are printed at the end of the bulletin.

Offertory Meditation Music

Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly Host;
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Great Thanksgiving

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 Him thanks and praise***

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

(Proper Preface/Pentecost)Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down [on this day] from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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:

Celebrant and People

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel

Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ:

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.*

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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People ***Therefore let us keep the feast.***

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Celebrant now receives the Body and Blood of Christ.

The Bread is given to the Communicants with these words:

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you to everlasting life.

Communion Meditation Music

Silence.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

For those worshipping with us virtually:

[A Prayer for Spiritual Communion, Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces (1988)]

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Benediction *by*

Celebrant

The Blessing of God, Father Son, and Holy Ghost, be upon you all, now and forever. ***Amen***

Recessional Hymn

Hymnal 1982, # 494

- 1 *Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own;
awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.*
- 2 *Crown him the Son of God before the worlds began,
and ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man;
who every grief hath known that wrings the human breast,
and takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.*
- 3 *Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed over the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.*
- 4 *Crown him of lords the Lord, who over all doth reign,
who once on earth, the incarnate Word, for ransomed sinners slain,
now lives in realms of light, where saints with angels sing
their songs before him day and night, their God, Redeemer, King.*
- 5 *Crown him the Lord of heaven, enthroned in worlds above;
crown him the King, to whom is given, the wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns, as thrones before him fall,
crown him, ye kings, with many crowns, for he is King of all.*

Dismissal

Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Mutual Ministry Team

The Rev. Garrett H. Carskadon
The Rev. John C. Martin, Jr.

Organists

Rev. Tom Hudson, St. James

Mr. Mark Steiner, St. Peter's

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Due to the pandemic, let us remember to be kind to those with whom we live,
and to keep tabs on our close neighbors, family, and friends.*

Prayer List: Periodically we update the prayer list. Currently the bulletin contains the requested names for both parishes. If you know of a name that should be added (or one that can be removed) please call the office at 301-359-9970 or send an email to either stjames.westernport@mail.com or stpeters.lonaconing@mail.com.

UPCOMING YARD SALE AT ST. PETER'S: Being planned for June 12. Donations are being accepted. Many thanks to those who are already working to prepare the tables.

CLOTHING GIVE-AWAY CONTINUING: St. James' next clothing give-away will be June 11. If you now know of anyone needing emergency clothing due to fire, etc., please call the church office at 301-359-9970, and we will try to arrange a time to be open to assist them.

If you would like to know more about the Clothing Give-away, or would like to volunteer to help with this ministry, please contact John Martin or Garrett Carskadon.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP: We are considering doing outdoor Sunday worship occasionally during the summer months on the church lawns. Please plan to bring a lawn chair on these Sundays. We will notify you in advance as to what weeks we plan to worship outdoors.

COVID Vaccines: At the current time there are several COVID-19 vaccines available. While the availability of the vaccine does not seem to be an issue in Mineral County, WV., there seems to be limited supply in Allegany and Garrett Counties in Maryland. If you are eligible to receive the vaccine, we encourage you to consider scheduling an appointment with the Health Department or other source. If you have had COVID or a reaction to a vaccine, you will want to check with your doctor prior to getting immunized.

Facebook: We are having a problem with the St. Peter's **facebook** page and are working to resolve it with the technology staff at our Diocesan Center. For the time being, updates and announcements for both parishes will be posted to the St. James, Westernport **facebook** page, and we will let you know when the St. Peter's page is up and running again.