

**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Heritage Sunday, October 3, 2021**  
*Church Established October 1, 1855*



## 7:30 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

*Children are always welcome in the church.  
Please be sure your cell phone is inaudible.*

### Prelude

Opening Hymn #625 Rejoice the Lord Is King *Darwall*

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The Collect for Purity page 323

Gloria page 324

Collect, Readings and Gospel *(pages 3-5 of Bulletin)*

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Prayers of the People *(page 5 of Bulletin)*

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The Peace

Announcements and Birthdays *(Birthday Prayer page 5 of Bulletin)*

Offertory Voluntary

Doxology Hymn 380 (v. 3) *Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II page 340

Sanctus page 334

The Lord's Prayer page 336

The Breaking of the Bread

The Communion

Communion Voluntary

Postcommunion Prayer page 339

Blessing

Dismissal Hymn #482 Lord of all Hopefulness *Slane*

The Dismissal

Postlude



## 10:00 am – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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### Prelude

**Opening Hymn #625** Rejoice the Lord Is King *Darwall*

**Opening Acclamation** *Book of Common Prayer*, page 355

**Gloria in Excelsis** (*insert in Hymnal*) *Powell* Hymnal S280

**Collect and Readings** (*pages 3-4 of Bulletin*)

**Sequence Hymn** Children of the Heavenly Father (*back page*) *Tryggare Kan Ingen Vara*

**The Gospel** (*page 4 of Bulletin*)

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**Announcements and Birthdays** (*Birthday Prayer page 5 of Bulletin*)

**Offertory**

**Offertory Hymn 380** (v.3) *Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

**The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C** page 369

**The Lord's Prayer** page 364

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**Fraction Anthem** (*insert in Hymnal*) *Powell* Hymnal S163

**The Communion**

**Communion Voluntary**

**Postcommunion Prayer** page 365

**Blessing**

**Dismissal Hymn #482** Lord of all Hopefulness *Slane*

**The Dismissal**

**Postlude**



## The Collect of the Day

Loving God, who guided our forbearers, we offer unto you a prayer of thanks and ask your blessing on all those who have served and worked in this branch of Christ's Church for 166 years. We thank you for every memory that our celebration revives. We pray that you will deepen within each of us a sense of gratitude for the many sacrifices made for us by those who have gone before us, and thereby find this parish a place of refreshment, beauty, and strength. May we continue to see, by faith, the needs of those around us and the needs of those who shall come after us, and do all that is possible to show to them our witness in word and deed of the riches of life with Christ. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

## The First Reading

**Job 1:1, 2:1-10**

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." Then Satan answered the Lord, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The Lord said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life." So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes. Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

## Psalm 26

- <sup>1</sup> Give judgment for me, O LORD,  
for I have lived with integrity; \*  
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
- <sup>2</sup> Test me, O LORD, and try me; \*  
examine my heart and my mind.
- <sup>3</sup> For your love is before my eyes; \*  
I have walked faithfully with you.
- <sup>4</sup> I have not sat with the worthless, \*  
nor do I consort with the deceitful.
- <sup>5</sup> I have hated the company of evildoers; \*  
I will not sit down with the wicked.

- <sup>6</sup> I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, \*  
that I may go in procession round your altar,  
<sup>7</sup> Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving \*  
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.  
<sup>8</sup> LORD, I love the house in which you dwell \*  
and the place where your glory abides.  
<sup>9</sup> Do not sweep me away with sinners, \*  
nor my life with those who thirst for blood,  
<sup>10</sup> Whose hands are full of evil plots, \*  
and their right hand full of bribes.  
<sup>11</sup> As for me, I will live with integrity; \*  
redeem me, O LORD, and have pity on me.  
<sup>12</sup> My foot stands on level ground; \*  
in the full assembly I will bless the LORD.

## **The Second Reading**

**Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12**

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

## **The Gospel**

**Mark 10:2-16**

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and

female.’ ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.” Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.” People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

## **Prayers of the People**

*Leader:* **The Prayers of the People today are replaced by a  
Litany for a Parish Anniversary Celebration** *from the Anglican Book of Alternative Service*

*Leader:* For the Church universal, of which these buildings are a visible symbol,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Leader:* For your presence whenever two or three have gathered in your name,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Leader:* For this place where we may be still and know that you are God,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Leader:* For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as you see best for us,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Leader:* For our past and a vision of the future that lies ahead,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Leader:* For the gift of the Holy Spirit and new life in baptism,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Leader:* For the pardon of our sins when we have fallen short of your glory,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Leader:* For the holy Eucharist in which we have a foretaste of your eternal kingdom,

**All: We thank you, Lord.**

*Leader:* For the blessing of our vows and the crowning of our years with your goodness,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Leader:* For the faith of those who have gone before us and for our encouragement by their perseverance,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Leader:* For all the benefactors of this place who have died in the peace of Christ and are at rest,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Leader:* For the fellowship of all your saints, and especially for Thomas, our patron,

**All: We thank you, God.**

*Celebrant:* O God, from living and chosen stones you prepare an everlasting dwelling place for your majesty. Grant that in the power of the Holy Spirit those who serve you here may always be kept within your presence. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever. **Amen.**

## **Heritage Blessing**

Gracious God we give thanks as we celebrate the 166th anniversary of St. Thomas' parish and the journey that started so many years ago – and so many plans ago – and so many dreams ago. We celebrate all the joys that have been birthed in these 166 years. We celebrate all the happy times, all the accomplishments, and all the triumphs. Thank You, Lord, for blessing us. We acknowledge that there have been, and will continue to be, struggles, heartaches. Yet we have travelled together under your protection and love. Thank you, Lord, for being with us in good times and bad. We ask that you continue to protect us, guide us and sustain us as we go forth from this 166th anniversary celebration. And the blessing of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

## **Birthday Prayer** (please change pronouns as necessary)

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as her days increase. Bless and guide her wherever she may be. Strengthen her when she stands, comfort her when discouraged or sorrowful, raise her up if she falls. And in her heart, may thy peace which passes understanding abide all the days of her life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



*The flowers this morning are in thanksgiving of the 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Susan and Dave Stopper*

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## Liturgical Ministers

**Celebrant & Preacher:**

**Deacon:**

**Organist:**

The Rev. Canon Lisa Fry

The Rev. Dr. Rosalee Glass

Clarissa Brown, Minister of Music

**7:30 a.m. Liturgy**

**LEM:** Sandy Lyle

**Lay Readers:** Pat Ayers, Edmund Hartt

**Prayers of the People:** Shirley Fierro

**Usher:** Jan Lyle

**10:00 a.m. Liturgy**

**Acolytes:** Lola Black, Wolfie Watkins, Volly Watkins

**Lay Readers:** Dean Jackson, Kate Jackson

**Prayers of the People:** Millie Crocker

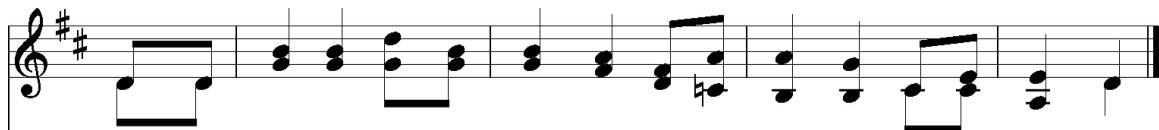
**Ushers:** Jim Ebbert, Lucy Ebbert

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### Children of the Heavenly Father



1. Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther Safe - ly in His bos - om gath - er;
2. God His own doth tend and nour - ish, In His ho - ly courts they flour - ish;
3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the Lord His chil - dren sev - er;
4. Praise the Lord in joy - ful num - bers, Your pro - tect - or nev - er slum - bers;
5. Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



1. Nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en, Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
2. From all e - vil things He spares them, In His might - y arms He bears them.
3. Un - to them His grace He show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
4. At the will of your de - fend - er Ev - ery per - son must sur - ren - der.
5. His the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.



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