ST. BARNABAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SEASON AFTER PENTECOST WORSHIP FOLDER

SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER

RITE TWO

September 13, 2020

Processional Hymn  “Praise to the Lord”  H-370 verses 1 and 5

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear
Now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!

5 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore him!

The Presider begins the service

Presider:   Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People:     And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider:   Let us say together the Collect of Purity as we prepare ourselves for worship

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.
Song of Praise  “Glorious things of thee are spoken”

1 Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode; on the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes …..

thy foes.

2 See the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove; who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst t'assuage? Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age…..

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Confession of Sin

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Presider: 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.
The Lord be with you
People: And also with you
Presider: Let us pray

The Collect of the Day
Presider: O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen

The Invitatory and Psalter
Officiant: Lord open our lips
People: And our mouths shall show forth thy praise

Officiant and People
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.

Officiant
The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him

All say the “Venite” in unison
Come, let us sing to the Lord; * let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, * and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, * and his hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Psalm 114 *(Read responsively by the whole verse)*

1 Hallelujah!  
When Israel came out of Egypt, *  
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

2 Judah became God's sanctuary *  
and Israel his dominion.

3 The sea beheld it and fled; *  
Jordan turned and went back.

4 The mountains skipped like rams, *  
and the little hills like young sheep.

5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *  
O Jordan, that you turned back?

6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *  
you little hills like young sheep?

7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *  
at the presence of the God of Jacob,

8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *  
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

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 Lessons

Reader: A reading from the book of Exodus (14:19-31)

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh’s horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that
they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, “Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt.”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.” So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All say Canticle 16 together in unison (The Song of Zechariah)

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *  
he has come to his people and set them free.  
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *  
born of the house of his servant David.  
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,  
that he would save us from our enemies, *  
from the hands of all who hate us.  
He promised to show mercy to our fathers *  
and to remember his holy covenant.  
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
Free to worship him without fear, *  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.  
You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
To give his people knowledge of salvation *  
by the forgiveness of their sins.  
In the tender compassion of our God *  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,  
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the  
shadow of death, *  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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.
Reader: A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans (14:1-12)

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All say Canticle 20 together in unison (Glory to God)

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.

Gradual Hymn  “Forgive our sins”  H-674 verses 1 and 4

1 'Forgive our sins as we forgive,'  
You taught us, Lord, to pray  
But you alone can grant us grace  
To live the words we say

4 Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls  
And bid resentment cease;  
Then, by your mercy reconciled,  
Our lives will spread your peace.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (18: 21-35)

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon The Rev. Chizoba Nwankwo (Deacon)

We pause for a few moments of silence following the sermon for contemplation

Reflection Song
The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant and People together*

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.

Doxology – *Praise God*

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 Prayers

Officiant: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Officiant: Let us pray

*Officiant 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.

Then follows Suffrages A

Deacon. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People And grant us your salvation.
Deacon Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People Let your people sing with joy.
Deacon Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People For only in you can we live in safety.
Deacon Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
Deacon Let your way be known upon earth;
People Your saving health among all nations.
Deacon Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Deacon Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.
Deacon In you, Lord, is our hope;
People And we shall never hope in vain.

The Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of
the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this
day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week
to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our
being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by
your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our
life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are
ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Authorized intercessions and thanksgivings.

Officiant: Let us pray for the Church and the world using the Prayers of the People projected on the screen

Lord, we pray that your church may be welcoming and open. Let us draw others to you by our love and understanding. May we be a support to the weak in faith, a strength to the wavering, and uplift the fallen. Let us not be judgmental, and yet let us stand firm in our love for you and for your will. Teach us to be forgiving towards others as we seek forgiveness from you. We pray for the outreach of your church, for its mission to seek out the lost and recover the fallen. We pray for all who serve in the armed forces at home or abroad. We pray for all ministers of the word and of the sacraments for all who lead worship especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; William, our Diocesan Bishop; Jerry our Supply Priest; Chizoba, our Deacon; and Gerry our Postulant along with all the ministers of St. Barnabas.

Lord, as you gave your life for us, help us to give our lives to you.

We pray for the banks and commerce of our world. We pray for countries and peoples that are deeply in debt. We pray for justice and fair dealings in trade. We remember those who have had homes or land repossessed, all who have become bankrupt, all who have lost the little that they had.

Lord, as you gave your life for us, help us to give our lives to you.

We give thanks for what you have given to us. We pray that what we have may be neither hoarded nor squandered, that we may give to the relief of the needy and to the building up of our world. We give thanks for all who have been generous to us, and pray that our homes may be places of grace and generosity.

Lord, as you gave your life for us, help us to give our lives to you.

We pray for those whose lives are diminished by greed and selfishness, for all who are afraid to venture or to risk. We remember those afraid to commit themselves, all who have been hurt in love or betrayed by loved ones. We pray for all whose relationships have broken down. We remember before you all who are in trouble or in need. We pray for those in sickness. We pray for friends and loved ones in sickness, especially Allison, Ammon, Anne, Chip, Clara, Cynthia, Dawn, Emma, Freda, George, Jean, Julie, Lawrence, Lew, Lisa, Linda, Liz, Michael, Odessa, Shirley, Stewart, Kirt, Unni, Winnie and others we name either aloud or silently.

Lord, as you gave your life for us, help us to give our lives to you.

We give thanks for all who in their generosity have given their lives in the service of others. We pray that as they gave their love and their life, you will give them love and life eternal. We especially remember Elizabeth, beloved mother of Laurie Merris and grandmother of Cara Merris, who died last week on Sunday; and Rhonda beloved mother of Chase and sister of
Andrea Lewis who died last week on Monday; may we with them, share in your love and in life everlasting.

Lord, as you gave your life for us, help us to give our lives to you.

Pause for prayers for Special Occasions (birthdays, anniversaries, etc.)

The Concluding Collect

Presider: Lord, you opened your arms for us on the cross, you welcomed us into your kingdom: may your saving power be known among us, and lead us into the ways of peace, Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit in everlasting love.

People: Amen.

Silence

Officiant and People

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Presider: Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us, so be swift to love and make haste to be kind; and the blessing of God, source of all-Being, Incarnate Word and Holy Spirit, be with you now and always.

People: Amen.

Recessional Hymn “Go forth for God” H-347 verses 1 and 3

1 Go forth for God, go to the world in peace; be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace, in God's good Spirit, daily to increase, till in the kingdom we see face to face. (his face)

3 Go forth for God, go to the world in love; strengthen the faint, give courage to the weak; help the afflicted; richly from above
his love supplies the grace and power we seek.

**Dismissal**

Deacon: Live in peace, pray for peace, act in peace; Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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