

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost- August 12th, 2018

The Word of God

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.***

The Celebrant may say

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.***

When appointed, the following hymn or some other song of praise is sung or said, all standing

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 Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. *

A reading from 1 Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

- 1 I will bless the LORD at all times; * *his praise shall ever be in my mouth.*
- 2 I will glory in the LORD; * *let the humble hear and rejoice.*
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; * *let us exalt his Name together.*
- 4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me * *and delivered me out of all my terror.*
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, * *and let not your faces be ashamed.*
- 6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me * *and saved me from all my troubles.*
- 7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, * *and he will deliver them.*
- 8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; * *happy are they who trust in him!*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

The Epistle

A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians (4:25-5:2)

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the

devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God*

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (6:41 - 51)

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said to the people, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever

believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Lydia Bush, Postulant

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

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;
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 all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

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.

Silence - The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

in your compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown,

things done and left undone;

and so uphold us by your Spirit

that we may live and serve you in newness of life,

to the honor and glory of your Name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive you all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

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.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

Then the Celebrant continues

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.

And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People *(All Baptized Christians are invited and encouraged to receive the Holy Sacraments of Bread and Wine)*

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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.***

Blessing: *The Deacon offers a blessing.*

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.***

The Deacon, dismisses them with these words

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

The People respond ***Thanks be to God.***

PRAYER LIST St. Luke's The prayers of the parish are requested for: Molly Fenner, James and Jackie Kent, Tracy Henderson and family, the family of John Thomas Rogers, the family of Linda Jernigan, Eleanor Bennett, Sue Mobley, Michelle Hinchliffe-Trost, Elaine Fletcher, Craig Jacobsen, Bill & Diana Kosty, Dina James, Mildred Weaver, Tyla Edwards, Marjorie Harner, Jean Peters, Jane Davis, Gail Mickel, Martie Erskine, Laura Ann Fouraker Gardner, Linda Sealy, Austin Richmond, , Blake Ulmer, Hasan, Sister Maria Ann, Virginia Meeker, Susanne Walters, Russell Johnson, Don Noel, Nikki Landrum, Phyllis Taylor, Quinn Leibfried, Bob Stross, Janice Revet, Pat Ritter, Lillie and Jodie Hill, Robert Cannon, Chris and Kathy Thomas, The Thomas family, Cole Thomas, Gwyn Herrington, Carolyn Crosby, Mendy Morgan, Darlene Jones, Christine Bush, Louise Law, Mary Giddens, Nick Poulos, Jim Poulos, Annie Poulos, and Teri Prater.

Our soldiers deployed: James Smith, Casey Brewer, Sean Beegle, Cody Beegle, Edward Owen and **stateside;** Marshall Boggus, Lincoln Queale, Brent Trost, Dillon Ellis, Andy Chamberlain, Jennifer Sullivan, and Robert Ice.

Pray for the Diocese of Cuba, our companion church: Fielés á Jesus, and their rector Mtr. Tulia. Pray for Dukatole and the children. St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Madison, The Shepherd's Hands of the Suwannee Valley Free Clinic, St. Joseph's Episcopal Church - Newberry and their new school.

CYCLE OF PRAYER: Christ Church in Ponte Vedra Beach, St. Mark's in Starke, St. Michael & All Angel's in Tallahassee, Christ Church at San Pablo Campus in Jacksonville, St. Bamabas in Williston, and Osprey Episcopalians at the University of North Florida in Jacksonville.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by John and Gale Dickert in loving memory of their beloved son, Douglas Prado Dickert, born August 10, 1966.

COFFEE HOUR Please join us for coffee hour following the 11 a.m. service today.

SHEPHERD'S HANDS CLINIC is scheduled for August 14th from 5:30-7:30 pm

BLESSING THE BACKPACKS AND KEYS: Kick off the school year blessed! Fr. Moore invites all students and educators to bring their backpacks, brief cases and keys to church next Sunday, August 19th to be blessed. You will be too. The congregation is invited to join in prayers for guidance, wisdom and protection during both services. College students, teachers and anyone going back is welcome.

DEACON'S CORNER This month we will be starting our English classes again, so if you know of anyone needing to learn English free of charge, please tell them about our program. We meet every week on Monday and Thursday nights from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm. We start the last week of August and go through November until Thanksgiving. We still need a babysitter who is licensed in child care to take charge of the nursery for us. They do not have to speak Spanish. Keep us all in your prayers!!

MINISTRY UPDATE Earlier this year, Bishop Howard designated Lydia Bush as a Postulant for Holy Orders in accordance with the Canons of the Episcopal Church. Lydia began her training to become a deacon, this spring, by participating in a full-time Clinical Pastoral Education Program at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital for three months. In July, she began her diaconal training in the Bishop's Institute at Camp Weed. This training will continue on weekends for the next year. During the next year she will have an increasing presence in our liturgical worship. Today, August 12th, Lydia will be preaching at both services. Please give Lydia your support and prayers.

SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST Father George and Mary Ellen will be away the month of August. Father Michael Moore will be joining us on August, 19th, and 26th. Please welcome Father Moore with a warm St. Luke's Welcome. Deacon Phyllis and Lydia Bush will be leading worship today, August 12th.

AN INVITATION FOR ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH!!: DOK will meet on August 18th from 9 am to 2 pm. All Women of St. Luke's are invited to spend a day learning about the Spiritual workshops from the 2018 DOK Triennial - "Walk His Way!" that was held in Austin, Texas. Ann Thompson and Lydia Bush attended the Triennial with 800 Daughters of the King Sisters in Christ from 18 countries and the USA! They will along with St. Luke's DOK President, Maureen Menosky provide information and activities about The Way of Love, Sacred Space and Story Telling Evangelism. Lunch will be provided by St. Luke's and St. James DOK! Come and See...

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL resumes September 9th. We are seeking two people interested in assisting in Children's Sunday School twice a month. If you are interested, please contact Kay Harvard 208-3879 or email jasmine@stlukesliveoak.org

PANTRY UPDATE The total is in: an incredible **115 families** were blessed by the food pantry in the month of July! Our normally scheduled Pantry Sunday will be postponed until September. In the meantime, your food donations are always welcome. Any items you wish to donate are gladly accepted. Some suggested items are:

Cereals

Pasta

Spaghetti sauce

All-in-one boxed meals such as Hamburger Helper and Suddenly Salad

Salad dressings

Beans

Canned tomatoes

Canned soups

Grits, oatmeal, pancake mix

Jelly

Ramen noodles

Rice

Oil/shortening/

Condiments