

The Lessons

First Reading: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah  
My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: “Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?” (“Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?”) “The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.” For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

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

Psalm 79:1-9 Please read responsively by whole verse. BCP 701

- 1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance;  
they have profaned your holy temple; \*  
they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.
- 2 They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, \*  
and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.
- 3 They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, \*  
and there was no one to bury them.
- 4 We have become a reproach to our neighbors, \*  
an object of scorn and derision to those around us.
- 5 How long will you be angry, O Lord? \*  
will your fury blaze like fire for ever?
- 6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you \*  
and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.
- 7 For they have devoured Jacob \*  
and made his dwelling a ruin.
- 8 Remember not our past sins;  
let your compassion be swift to meet us; \*  
for we have been brought very low.
- 9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; \*  
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name’s sake.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy  
First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

Sequence Hymn Slane Be thou my vision vs. 1-2 Hymnal 488

The Holy Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
People: Glory to you Lord Christ.  
Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am

not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn Slane Be thou my vision vs. 3 Hymnal 488

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

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 392

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.  
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 Katharine, our Presiding Bishop; Philip, our Bishop; Beverly, our Priest;  
and for all bishops and other ministers;  
For all who serve God in his Church.  
For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.  
Hear us, Lord;  
For your mercy is great.  
We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.  
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.  
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.  
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.  
Celebrant: 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.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem Prayer of St. Francis A. Pote At the Presentation The Doxology Old 100<sup>th</sup> America vs. 4 Hymnal 717

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

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.  
The Celebrant continues: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere 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:

Sanctus Hymnal S-125  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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.**

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

**The Lord’s Prayer** BCP 364

**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:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

*Celebrant:* 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.

**Music at Communion**

<i>There is a balm in Gilead</i>	<i>Hymnal 676</i>
<i>Come, thou fount of every blessing</i>	<i>Hymnal 686</i>
<i>My faith looks up to thee</i>	<i>Hymnal 691</i>
<i>God be in my head, and in my understanding</i>	<i>Hymnal 694</i>

**Post Communion Prayer** BCP 365

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**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**

**Children’s Sunday School Procession**

<b>Recessional</b>	<i>Regent Square Hymnal 368</i>
	<i>Holy Father, great Creator</i>

**Dismissal**  
*Celebrant:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit.  
*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Trumpet Tune</i>	<i>C. Callahan</i>
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*Please join us after the service for a time of hospitality in the Chapter House.*



Ministers For Today

<b>Celebrant and Preacher</b> .....	Canon Gibson
<b>First Reading</b> .....	Henry Seawell
<b>Psalmist</b> .....	Skip Archer
<b>Second Reading</b> .....	Kennon Drew
<b>Intercessor</b> .....	Bob Israel
<b>Chalice Bearers</b> .....	Leland Moore, Skip Archer
<b>Oblationers</b> .....	Patsy and George Seymour
<b>Crucifers</b> .....	Ellie Grehan, Elizabeth Elliott
<b>Acolytes</b> .....	John Owen McElhaney, Rose Elliott, Janaé Wilson, ..... Leland Moore, Jordan Moore
<b>Children’s Chapel</b> .....	Barbara Mitchell
<b>Flower Guild</b> .....	Sage Bolt, Robbie Lynn Irvine
<b>Altar Guild</b> .....	Carolyn Stephenson, Lynn Yankie, Nance Stephens, Holly Hall
<b>Ushers</b> .....	Bob Forster, Cart Blackwell, John Ferguson, ..... Douglas Kearley, Alec Ambrecht
<b>Hospitality Team</b> .....	Kathy Thurber, Mary Esther Elliott, Liz Ferguson, ..... Natalie Coale, Gretchen Cooper, Susan Garth



Christ Church Cathedral  
Cathedral of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

The Right Reverend Philip Menzie Duncan, II, *Bishop*  
The Reverend Canon Beverly Findley Gibson, Ph.D., *Rector and Dean-elect*  
Margaret Levensailor Lyden, *Organist and Choir Master*



Mobile, Alabama

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 22, 2013

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two  
Ten o’clock in the morning

*We invite you to participate in the worship of God. Our service is the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two in The Book of Common Prayer. For ease of use, this leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and service music. Congregational responses are printed in bold. Hymn numbers refer to The Hymnal 1982. Page numbers refer to the Prayer Book for those wishing to use it. Lesson and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.*



*We extend a warm welcome to all visitors. A nursery is available.*

*A gentle reminder: please mute or turn off cell phones before the service.*

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Draw Us In The Spirit’s Tether</i>	<i>C. Callahan</i>
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**The Word of God**

<b>Processional Hymn</b>	<i>Lobe den Herren Hymnal 390</i>
	<i>Praise to the Lord, the Almighty</i>
Children’s Chapel	<i>(Ages 3 to Grade 3) Children process with the leader to the Chapel and return at the peace.</i>
<i>Celebrant:</i>	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
<i>People:</i>	<b>And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.</b>

<b>Collect for Purity</b>	BCP 355
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. <b>Amen.</b>	

<b>Gloria in excelsis</b>	<i>Hymnal S-280</i>
<b>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.</b>	

<b>The Collect of the Day</b>	BCP 233
<i>Celebrant:</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People:</i>	<b>And also with you.</b>
<i>Celebrant:</i>	Let us pray.
Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. <b>Amen.</b>	