Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost – Proper 19
September 13, 2020
10:00 a.m.

THE VICAR: The Rev. Dr. Jacob David

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Blessed be God, Father Son and Holy Spirit:
And Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

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 upon 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 Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day
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, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Exodus 14:19-31
"Here begins a reading from Exodus."

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.

“The Word of the Lord.” “Thanks be to God.”

Psalm 114
“Psalm 114 is appointed today. Let us read it alternatively”.

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.

Romans 14:1-12
“Hear begins a reading from Romans”

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
Matthew 18:21-35

“The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.” “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 happened, 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.”


Hymn: #1 Father We Praise Thee

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Jacob David

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 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.

Prayers Of The People

The Canaanite woman pressed upon Jesus her needs and was heard. With expectant faith, let us pray before God earnest petitions for ourselves and our world, saying: Lord have pity on us.

For our world, in need of healing, in search of a savior, yet far from Jesus, let us call out to the Lord.

Lord have pity on us.

For churches and their leaders, at times narrowed by institutional concerns and blind to differing manifestations of faith, let us call out to the Lord.

Lord have pity on us.

For those who are troubled by demons of mind and body, for those who must watch others suffer, [and especially for N.,] let us call out to the Lord.

Lord have pity on us.

For those whose faith is impelling them beyond the limits of society and the constraints of culture, let us call out to the Lord.

Lord have pity on us.

For all of us here present, for those whose faith is known to God alone, and for those whose intentions we
hold deep in our hearts, let us call out to the Lord. 

*Lord have pity on us.*

*Remembering all on our Parish List*

_Infinite God, we have no claim to your mercy; yet it is your mercy we so desperately need. Turn your ear toward our supplications, and grant us your healing touch. We ask this with faith in the name of Jesus, who is savior of the world and one with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever._

9-11 MEMORIAL PRAYER

On the morning of September 11, 2001, 2,976 people from 93 nations lost their lives in New York, at the Pentagon, and on Flight 93.

Today, 19 years ago, we pause to remember that moment of horror and pray for those left scarred by those terrible events.

We remember the first time we heard the news.  
We recall the first time we saw those images.  
We remember the way our thoughts and prayers were with those families who lost loved ones.  
Very Specially, we remember today Bill Fallon one of our own. Our thoughts and prayers are with Brenda again today.

*O God of Comfort - 19 years have passed. Yesterday, today and forever; let your love and peace endure.*

We remember those who survived.  
We recall their heart-breaking stories.  
We remember that their lives are forever scarred by those moments.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with them again today.

*O God of Healing - 19 years have passed. Yesterday, today and forever; let your love and peace endure.*

We remember the pain we felt.  
We recall the bereavement and bitterness of the aftermath.  
We remember that you are a God of redemption and restoration.  
Help us forgive those who caused so much trauma, and that we may find release in that forgiveness.

*O God of forgiveness - 19 years have passed. Yesterday, today and forever; let your love and peace endure.*

We remember that you love the world.  
We recall you sent your Son to bring reconciliation and salvation.  
We remember your Spirit inhabits your Church.  
Help us bring your comfort and peace to all. *Amen.*

*O God of hope - 19 years have passed. Yesterday, today and forever; let your love and peace endure.*

SILENT PRAYER

CONCLUDING PRAYER: FR. JACOB

*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 we 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; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

*Absolution*  
The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

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

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

*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.*

In Union O Lord, with all the faithful, in our homes and at this and every altar of your Holy Church where your blessed body and blood are being offered, we present to you our souls and bodies. And because we cannot now receive sacramentally, we ask that you come spiritually into our hearts. Let nothing separate us from you, let us live and die in your love. *Amen.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS
A PRAYER TOGETHER:(UNMUTED)
May Christ who has nourished us with himself, the Living Bread, make us one in praise and love, and raise us up the last day.

THE BLESSING

HYMN: #379 God is Love

DISMISSAL

OUR WORSHIP IS OVER,
OUR SERVICE BEGINS