

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for Elizabeth Pead, Glynn & Lana Pearce, and Jim & Sydney Perry.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We especially pray for Robyn Arrington, Diane Basta, Yvonne Butler, Susan Dovell, Ronnie Elder, Kathy Ferguson, Horace Higgins, Dianne Holloman, Mark Jones, Pret Kaichen, Lilly Rudd, Mark Sheffield, Wendy Taft, Patricia Thorpe, Larry Tucker, and Cameron Wilson. *(pause)*

The arrangement at the altar is given to the glory of God and in memory of Floyd and Rachel Tucker and Louise and Augustus Wright, by Larry and Betty Ann Tucker.

I invite you to offer your own prayers, either silently or aloud. *(pause)*

The General Thanksgiving

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Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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.** 2 Corinthians 13:14

Please be seated. The ushers will guide dismissal by pews.

Postlude: *On Abbot's Leigh*

Lay Reader: 10:00 am Bee Betts

Ushers: Carolyn Thacker, Jimmy Thacker, Tim Richardson

Calendar for the Week

Tuesday 7:00 pm Bell Choir
Thursday 7:00 pm AA Meeting

The Rt. Rev. Susan Haynes	Bishop, Diocese of Southern Virginia
The Rev. Robin Teasley	Rector
William Owen	Organist – Choirmaster
Matthew Little	Assistant Organist
Mrs. Jill Donnelly	Parish Administrator
Mr. Greg Gwaltney	Property Administrator



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*It is our custom to observe a prayerful silence before the service begins.
During the service, please feel free to stand or kneel as you are able.*

SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost September 27, 2020

Welcome and thank you for wearing your masks while inside the building. The Lector, Soloist, and Officiant or will remove masks only when speaking. During hymns we will remain seated. You are invited to silently read and meditate on the words during the hymns. For your responses, in bold print, please do respond quietly, God will hear you! At the end of the service, please be seated to wait for the ushers to direct you toward the exit. We will exit by pews out of the side door near the pulpit, beginning with the front pew on the left side. After the left side has departed, ushers will guide the right side of the church down the center aisle and across the front of the sanctuary to the exit. We appreciate your patience.

10:00 AM MORNING PRAYER RITE II

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Prelude: *Canzona dopo l'Epistola from Fiori Musicali*

Girolamo Frescobaldi

Opening Sentence *standing*

Officiant Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:2

Confession of Sin *kneeling or standing*

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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.

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.**

Standing

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

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People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

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. Alleluia.

Hymn S35 Venite *standing*

(also BCP p. 82)

**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 78:1-4, 12-16

sitting

See scripture insert

**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.**

First Reading: Philippians 2:1-13

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 594 God of grace *seated*

Cwm Rhondda

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient Church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise: grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

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Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:23-32

sitting

Officiant The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Robin Teasley

A moment of silence is observed.

Hymn 686 Come, thou fount of every blessing

seated

Nettleton

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! O fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I find my greatest treasure; hither by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee; prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

The Apostles' Creed *standing*

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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.

THE PRAYERS

standing or kneeling

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Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader Let us pray.

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.

Suffrages A

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. **And grant us your salvation.**

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. **Let your people sing with joy.**

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. **Your saving health among all nations.**

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

The Collect of the Day

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Selected Collects and Prayer for Mission

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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.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**