



## ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcome to St. Mary's! Since our 19<sup>th</sup> century beginnings as a mission church to local coal mining and farming families, we have taken a special interest in welcoming all who come through our doors. Whether we are worshipping in Little St. Mary's, the original church that was consecrated in 1878, or New St. Mary's, which was built in 1992 to meet the present and future needs of our continually growing congregation, we are glad that you are here.

If this is your first time at St. Mary's or one of many, please let us know what we can do to enrich your time here. Your presence enriches us, and we hope to see you here often.

The Rev. Louise Browner Blanchard, *Rector*

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### Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 18) ❖ September 4, 2016

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#### Holy Eucharist: Rite Two ❖ 10:00 a.m.\*

*Before the service, speak to God.*

*During the service, let God speak to you.*

*After the service, speak to one another.*

from Salisbury Cathedral, Salisbury, England

**Prelude**      Petit Prelude      Joseph Jongen

**Hymn 594**      God of grace and God of glory      *Sung by all, standing.*      Cwm Rhondda

#### THE WORD OF GOD

**Opening Sentences**      Book of Common Prayer, page 355

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

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

**Collect for Purity**      Prayer Book, page 355

*Celebrant*      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**      *Gloria in excelsis*      *Sung by all.*      Hymnal S-280

**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.**

\*Our Nursery for children newborn-age 4 is in the preschool and Sunday School Building adjacent to New St. Mary's.

*We warmly welcome children of all ages to all services.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. *Please remain standing.*

*Silence is kept.*

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The Lesson** Philemon 1-21 *Please sit.*

*Reader* A reading from the Book of Philemon.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love--and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother--especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

*Silence is kept.*

**Psalm 1** *Said in unison.*

Prayer Book, page 585

- 1 **Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \*  
nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**
- 2 **Their delight is in the law of the Lord, \*  
and they meditate on his law day and night.**

- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*  
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; \*  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, \*  
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, \*  
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

**Hymn 654** Day by day *Sung by all, standing.*

*Summer*

**The Gospel** Luke 14:25-33 *Please remain standing and face the reader of the Gospel.*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon** The Rev. Emily Rowell Brown *Please sit.*

**The Nicene Creed**

*Said by all, standing.*

Prayer Book, page 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 IV**

Prayer Book, page 388

*Celebrant* Let us pray for the church and for the world.

*Please kneel. The Leader and the People pray responsively.*

*Leader* Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence.*

*Leader* Lord, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence.*

*Leader* Lord, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence.*

*Leader* Lord, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence.*

*Leader* Lord, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* 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.

*Silence.*

*Leader* Lord, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence.*

*Leader* Lord, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*The People may add their own petitions.*

## A Prayer for the Future of St. Mary's Church

*All* Dear God, we give thanks for the ways you have blessed the ministry of St. Mary's Church in the past. Be with us now as we look toward the future. Show us the way forward. Help us plan a ministry which will reflect your glory, a ministry which will serve the needs of your people and which will be an important witness of your love for the world. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

## Concluding Collect

### Confession of Sin

Prayer Book, page 360

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

*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

*Please stand.*

Prayer Book, page 360

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*After exchanging the Peace, please be seated.*

## Welcome and Announcements

## Blessing of Backpacks

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Fantasia

Johann Pachelbel

Doxology (Old Hundredth)

*Please Stand.*

The Hymnal, page 380

**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 Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Prayer Book, page 367

*The people remain standing.*

*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.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord *Sanctus*

The 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.**

*The people kneel, as the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,

*Celebrant 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.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

Prayer Book, page 364

*A period of silence is kept.*

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

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

*The Celebrant says*

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.

## **At the Communion of the People**

*All are welcome to receive the Sacrament. When you come forward to the altar rail you may kneel or stand. When you are given the consecrated bread, you may consume it and then drink the wine from the first or larger chalice. Or, if you wish, you may "intinct" or touch the tip of your bread to the wine from the smaller cup. You may also choose to receive Communion in only one kind. Either the bread or the wine alone is a full Communion. Please indicate if you would like to receive a gluten-free wafer.*

**Music at Communion**

Pavan

Alec Rowley

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer Book, page 366

*Celebrant* Let us pray. *Please kneel.*  
*All* **Almighty and everliving God,**  
**we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food**  
**of the most precious Body and Blood**  
**of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;**  
**and for assuring us in these holy mysteries**  
**that we are living members of the Body of your Son,**  
**and heirs of your eternal kingdom.**  
**And now, Father, send us out**  
**to do the work you have given us to do,**  
**to love and serve you**  
**as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.**  
**To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,**  
**be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Blessing

**Hymn 688** A mighty fortress is our God *Sung by all, standing.* *Ein feste burg*

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Let us go forth into the world,  
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Prayer Book, page 366  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** Fugue in C minor J.S. Bach

*The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God.*

## Participants in this morning's services

**Deacon:** Robert G. Hetherington; **Celebrant:** Louise Browner Blanchard; **Preacher:** Emily Rowell Brown; **Lay Reader:** Burke McCormick; **Intercessor:** Mary Lou Holmes; **Musicians:** Malcolm Hines, *Cantor*, Dwight Graham, *Organist and Choirmaster*; **Ushers:** Brantley and Mary Lou Holmes, and Burke McCormick. **Oblation Bearers:** The White Family

**September Altar Guild:** Linda Crawford, Ann Lagos, Kay Lowe, Pat Sage, Tricia Storey, and Marilyn Ware

## The Parish Prayer List

Maggie Bassett, Justin Bennett, Ann Lee Saunders Brown, Charles Bryan, Erna Deutsch, Antony DeVilbiss, Kay Gates, Gordon Graham, Jean Harrell, *Lolly Hetherington*, Jack Lee, Barbara Meador, Merrill Plaisted, John Presley, Susan Reynolds, Lori Rowland, Daniel Thompson, Bill Thornton, and Callen Tyson. **For all the blessings of this life. For those expecting children,** especially Jon and Peyton Cheely Edwards. **For those who have died.** In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the *Anglican Church of Tanzania and the Most Rev. Jacob Erasto Chimeledya, Archbishop of Tanzania and Bishop of Mpwapwa.* **For those serving in the military or diplomatic service:** Alec Mackenzie, Timothy Rose. *Names in italics were added to the prayer list this week. Names which have appeared on the prayer list for three months will be removed unless otherwise requested. You are most welcome and encouraged to contact the parish office to request earlier removal or extended prayer.*