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HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I
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THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, P. 323

THE WORD OF GOD

Voluntary: Prelude and Fugue in D Minor J. S. Bach

The Opening Acclamation

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

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

The Collect for Purity *The Book of Common Prayer, p. 323*

The Song of Praise: Glory be to God on high p. 324

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who hast given thy only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavor ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The First Lesson: 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established. Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you

have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111 (*Said by all*)

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,*
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

2 Great are the deeds of the Lord!*

they are studied by all who delight in them.

3 His work is full of majesty and splendor,*

and his righteousness endures for ever.

4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered;*

the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

5 He gives food to those who fear him;*

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

6 He has shown his people the power of his works*
in giving them the lands of the nations.

7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice;*

all his commandments are sure.

- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever,*
because they are done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever;*
holy and awesome is his Name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;*
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.
- Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,*
and to the Holy Ghost:
- As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,*
world without end. Amen.

The Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The congregation stands for the reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel: John 6:51-58

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "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." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just

as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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Lord Jesus Christ, Most Merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother,
help us this day and everyday to see Thee more clearly,
to follow Thee more nearly, to love Thee more dearly,
for Thy Name's sake. Amen.

The Blessing & Dismissal

Voluntary: "All glory be to God on high" Johann Walther

The sanctuary candle is lit in thanksgiving to God for family, friends and fellow parishioners whose prayers, cards, support and love aided the recovery of J. Stewart McLaughlin from a recent illness.

We extend a warm welcome to everyone, and especially any visitors who may be worshiping with us today. If you don't already have a church home, please feel welcome to join the St. Peter's Church family.

In the Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are invited to the table to receive Holy Communion.

— PARISH NOTICES —

THE FOOD PANTRY is especially in need of Pork and Beans. We are now accepting monetary donations for the Food Pantry on the website. Click on the “Donate” button and you will see another button for “Food Pantry.”

A SERVICE IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE LIFE OF PARISHIONER GIL DERLE will be celebrated on Saturday, August 29 at 10:30 am. All are invited to attend. *“May his soul and the souls of all faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.”*

WE ARE NOW ON **“TWITTER!”** For up to the minute announcements, reminders, and interesting information, you can now follow us on “Twitter”: @stpetersbaysho1

ACTIVITIES AT ST. PETER’S are beginning to pick up in anticipation of Fall programming! Here are a few items that you might want to put on your calendars in advance:

Thursday, 9/3—Island Symphony Rehearsals begin (9:30 am)

Monday, 9/7—Labor Day, Office Closed

Thursday, 9/10—Parish Choir Rehearsals begin (7:30 pm)

Tuesday, 9/15—Vestry Meeting (7:30 pm)

Sunday, 9/20—**“Homecoming Sunday”** - Festive Choral Eucharist at 10:15 with blessing of Preschool and the Memorial Brick Walkway followed by Potluck Brunch.

Sunday, 10/4—First Concert of the Season:

George England, Classical Guitar (4 pm)

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY 8/16/15

We pray for those seeking healing: Alice, Ann, Ann, Bradley, Brett, Bruce, Bryan, Chris, Daniel, David, Debbie, Donald, Ellen, Gil, Jack, Joy, Kim, LaJune, Leo, Linda, Lisa, Louie, Manuel, Natalie, Nicole, Patrick, Paul, Ryan, Samantha, Sarah Grace, Stewart, Tom, and the Reverend Robert J. McCloskey, Jr.;

We pray for those in military service, and especially for Eileen, John, Kyle, and Robert;

We pray for those with special needs: the unemployed; for all who suffer from addictions; for all who have AIDS and those who care for them;

We pray for our companion dioceses of Torit & Ecuador-Central.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for **St. Augustine's, Brooklyn; St. Barnabas', Brooklyn; St. Bartholomew's, Brooklyn; St. Gabriel's, Brooklyn; St. George's, Brooklyn; Diocesan Ecumenical Commission; St. John's, Fort Hamilton, Brooklyn;**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Dioceses of Ruvuma - (Tanzania); Ruwenzori - (Uganda); Sabah - (South East Asia); Sabongidda-Ora - (Bendel, Nigeria); Saldanha Bay - (Southern Africa); Salisbury - (Canterbury, England); Sambalpur - (North India)



August 16, 2015—Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost (B)
JONATHAN DANIELS; WITNESS FOR CIVIL RIGHTS

This week marks the 50th anniversary of civil rights activist Jonathan Daniels' murder. Daniels was only twenty six years old when he was shot outside a convenience store in Hayneville, Alabama.

Jonathan Myrick Daniels was born in 1939 in Keene, New Hampshire; he joined The Episcopal Church as a young man, and realized he had a call for ministry. After graduating as the Valedictorian from the Virginia Military Institute he enrolled in the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge. He was expected to graduate in 1966, one year after his death.

In March of 1965 Daniels felt compelled to answer Martin Luther King Jr.'s call to join the civil rights movement in Selma, Alabama. During his time there, Daniels registered people to vote, tutored children, and helped the poor apply for aid.

On August 14, in Fort Deposit, Alabama, Daniels and 28 other protesters held a picket protesting against white-only stores. All the protesters were promptly arrested and taken to jail in Hayneville, Alabama. The group was held for six days, and on August 20, they were released without transportation to return to Fort Deposit.

Daniels and three other activists decided to grab a soft drink at "Varner's Cash Store" (one of the few places in Hayneville to serve non



-whites). It was there that the four activists ran into Tom Coleman, an unpaid social deputy, who blocked the front of the store holding a shotgun and pistol. Coleman threatened the group and fired at 17 year old Ruby Sales. Jonathan Daniels immediately pushed Sales away, taking the bullet himself, and dying on impact.

Today, we remember the martyr Jonathan Daniels in numerous ways throughout The Episcopal Church. In 1991, the church designated August 14th as a day of remembrance for Daniels and all the martyrs of the civil rights movement. The Episcopal Diocese of Alabama and The Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast sponsor a yearly pilgrimage in Hayneville to commemorate Daniels. This year, the pilgrimage will be held on Saturday August 15, beginning in Lowndes County Courthouse Square. Participants will process from the square to the jail where Daniels was held, then walk to **Varner's Cash Store where Daniels was killed, then conclude in the courthouse where Tom Coleman was tried.** Presiding Bishop Elect Michael Curry will also preach at the courthouse during the special service.

More information here:

http://www.dioala.org/dfc/newsdetail_2/3172434

The Collect:

O God of justice and compassion, you put down the proud and mighty from their place, and lift up the poor and the afflicted: we give you thanks for your faithful witness Jonathan Myrick Daniels, who, in the midst of injustice and violence, risked and gave his life for another; and we pray that we, following his example, may make no peace with oppression; through Jesus Christ the just one, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

What an Episcopal priest learned from singing with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir

By Danielle Tumminio

For the Deseret News

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It was a sunny Tuesday afternoon in Boston when I stepped into the Citi Performing Arts Center to rehearse with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

Because I had expressed interest in writing a piece about the famous choir, I was invited to be a “singing guest,” which meant I participated in a two-hour sound check, or a pre-performance rehearsal, to see how a choir sounds in a new space. I was given a reserved seat in the soprano section. Upon arrival, choir members helped me arrange a black folder brimful with sheet music into the correct order.

My original intention was to describe what it was like to perform with such an elite group. (It was incredible, by the way.) But as I reflected on my experiences, I realized that the real story was the lesson I learned about what it means to be part of God’s creation in our incredibly diverse world.

I grew up singing in a prestigious girls choir at an Episcopal Cathedral on Long Island. One of the first lessons I learned is that being a chorister is an act of dedication to something larger than self. Unlike a soloist, no one ever hears single choir members because they blend with the rest of the group. In fact, it’s bad if one singer can be heard apart from the others. If listeners hear one voice standing out in, say, the tenor section, then that tenor isn’t blending properly. Moreover, the entire section should sound united not only within themselves but also with the other sections. That’s how the soprano, alto, tenor and basses become one.

I learned incalculable lessons about music, relationships and faith from my choirmaster. I learned to listen to other singers so I could blend with them. I learned to care less for how I sounded than for the larger whole. I learned not to sing for the thrill of applause because we were in church, and there never was any. I learned that we sing not to glorify ourselves, but to glorify something beyond and to inspire others to do the same.

I learned that, as St. Augustine says, when you sing, you pray twice. And that’s why I credit my early choir days with instilling a lifelong love of God that eventually led me to ordination in The Episcopal Church.

As I sang with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir that afternoon, I felt so many of the same values emanating from the group. No one was distracted by the venue’s ornateness, two balconies or 3,600 red velvet seats. Every eye was focused on the choir’s director, Mack Wilberg, as he conducted classics such as “All Creatures of Our God and King.” Later in the rehearsal, associate music director Ryan Murphy brought up his elementary, middle and high school music teachers to the stage before conducting a piece he composed himself. Every member of the choir gave a standing ovation to these teachers.

They're like me, I thought. They too have musical leaders who formed them.

As Murphy led the group, he reminded the tenor section to listen and blend together. I remembered that I would have to do the same. I would have to listen to the sopranos around me so that my vowels blended with theirs. I would have to listen to altos, tenors and basses to make sure that we were one singing unit.

And I could do those things. As a singer, I could make myself sound like a member of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

But what I couldn't do was make myself into a Mormon.

Being Mormon is pretty central to the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. It's not just a group renowned for its unity, technical expertise and heartfelt performances. **It's first and foremost a group of members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The 360 volunteers don't sing for prestige or because they're professional musicians. They do it as an act of faith, because they want to be musical ambassadors for their church.**

So as an **Episcopalian**, it wasn't lost on me that being a singing guest was a unique privilege — perhaps a once-in-a-lifetime experience for someone outside the LDS Church. There was no reason for members to welcome me, and yet they did.

And together, we made some beautiful music.

That's when it occurred to me that choirs are really metaphors for life as a person of faith. We encounter so many people who are different than us, who believe different things. But we are all part of God's creation, all members of a kind of earthly choir. We can certainly use our voice to point to our differences, and sometimes that's important. Sometimes we need a great soloist whose voice stands out from the crowd. But sometimes we need to listen to the voices around us to notice how we blend and what we share in common.

Because we do share a lot in common, and sometimes we forget that.

As I reflect back on that day of being one small soprano voice in a sea of talented Mormon singers, what remains with me is the way that 361 different individuals united to make a single splendid sound. For a moment, I got to be part of it. I got to glorify God beside hundreds of others who believe things that are different from what I believe. In that way, the choir was certainly a musical ambassador to me.

But on that afternoon, the focus wasn't on the details of our traditions. It was on creating a single choir that praised God.

And, because of that, something glorious emerged.



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— **St. Peter's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church** —

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Praising God, Serving Neighbor

*We seek to worship the Lord as one loving family
by serving our parish and community
through prayer, music, education, and outreach*