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THE CHORAL HOLY EUCHARIST 10:15 AM

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, P. 355

THE WORD OF GOD

Voluntary: Trumpet Voluntary in D John Bennett

Hymn at the Procession

Hail, thou once despised Jesus

The Hymnal 1982, #495 In Babilone

The Opening Acclamation

CelebrantBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity	The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355
The Song of Praise	The Hymnal 1982, S 279
Glory to God in the highest	Gerald Near

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Job 1:1; 2:1-10

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the LORD. The LORD said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the LORD, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." The LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." Then Satan answered the LORD, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The LORD said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life." So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes. Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

Lector The Word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

Psalm 26 (Sung by all)

Chant: Joseph Barnby



Give judgment for me, O Lord, 1 for I have | lived with • in- | tegrity;* I have trusted in the | Lord and | have not | faltered. Test me, O | Lord, and | try me;* 2 ex- | amine • my | heart and • my | mind. For your love is be- | fore my | eyes;* 3 I have walked | faithful- | ly with | you. I have not | sat with • the | worthless,* 4 nor do I con- | sort | with the • de- | ceitful. I have hated the company of | evil- | doers;* 5 I will not | sit down | with the | wicked. I will wash my hands in | innocence, • O | Lord,* 6 that I may go in pro- | cession | round your | altar, Singing aloud a | song of • thanks- | giving* 7 and recounting | all your | wonder- • ful | deeds. Lord, I love the house in | which you | dwell* 8 and the place where your | <u>glo-</u> | ry a- | bides.

9 Do not sweep me a- | way with | sinners,* nor my life with | those who | thirst for | blood,

- 10 Whose hands are full of | evil | plots,* and their | right hand | full of | bribes.
- 11 As for me, I will | live with in- | tegrity;*
- redeem me, O | Lord, and have | pity on | me.
- 12 My foot stands on | level | ground;* n the full assembly | I will | bless the | Lord.

The Second Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Lector The Word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

Anthem at the Sequence—Thy Perfect Love John Rutter Jesu, my love, my joy, my rest, Thy perfect love close in my breast That I thee love and never rest, And make me love thee of all thinge best, And wounde my heart in thy love free, That I may reign in joy evermore with thee. Anon. 15th century

Alleluia

The Alleluia is sung first by the Cantor, then repeated by all, and sung again after the verse.



Al-lc-lu-ia, al - lc-lu-ia, al-lc - lu - ia. Your word is a lantern to my feet and a light upon my path.

The Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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

The Sermon	The Right Reverend Johncy Itty
The Nicene Creed	p. 358
The Prayers of the People, Form	i IV <i>p. 388</i>
The Confession of Sin and Abso	lution <i>p. 360</i>
The Peace	-

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn at the Offering All hail the power of Jesus' Name	The Hymnal 1982, #450 Coronation
The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic E Sanctus (Holy, holy, holy)	Prayer A p. 361 The Hymnal 1982, S 131 Gerald Near
The Lord's Prayer S 119	Plainsong
At the Fraction Jesus, Lamb of God	The Hymnal 1982, S166 Gerald Near
Hymn at the Communion For the beauty of the earth	The Hymnal 1982, #416 Lucerna Laudoniae
The Postcommunion Prayer	р. 365
The Prayer of St. Richard	Education de la Davida en

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 Postcommunion HymnThe Hymnal 1982, #483The head that once was crowned with thornsSt. Magnus

William Selby

The Blessing and Dismissal

Voluntary: Organ Voluntary in A

A warm welcome to everyone, and especially to 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. Coffee Hour in the Lounge follows the 10:15 am service. All are invited!

— PARISH NOTICES —

GOD THE GIVER: Today marks the beginning of our 6 week annual stewardship campaign "God the Giver." Each week's bulletin will contain an insert with a reflection on the theme "God the Giver." On three Sundays, October 11, 18 and 25, at 9:15AM, Bishop Itty will lead a brief study/discussion forum in the Lounge, focusing on the insert and Gospel for the day. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. In addition, during the Sunday Eucharist we will hear from fellow parishioners speak about the gifts God has given to them. This series will be informative and a great opportunity for spiritual growth.

THE FIRST CONCERT IN THE MUSIC AT ST. PETER'S 2015-2016 SEASON IS TODAY! George England, classical guitarist, will play a program featuring music from the 16th through the 21st centuries in solo and ensemble performances. An item of particular interest will be those pieces played on Theorbo, a Lute of the 17th and early 18th centuries. The program is at 4 pm, with a suggested donation of \$20/\$15, wine and cheese reception following. All are invited!

THE FOOD PANTRY is still in need of SALTINES. 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."

PLEASE SUPPORT BOY SCOUTS TROOP 43! Orders for Christmas Wreaths and decorations are being taken now for delivery in time for Christmas. Order forms and more information is available in the Narthex and forms must be returned by November 2.

ST. PETER'S ART AUCTION ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2015! Preview at 6 pm and Auction at 7. Admission \$10 per person, with Wine and Cheese. For Tickets or Information call Debbie Crawford 631-587-8011. Payment for art purchases may be made by check and major credit cards.

ST. PETER'S CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR WILL BE ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21. Vendors Wanted, \$50.00 per table. Vendors should make reservations by November 14.

UPCOMING DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDARS:

Thursday, 10/15—ECW Meeting (11:30 am) Friday, 10/23—Art Auction (6 pm) Sunday, 10/25—eVoco Voice Collective Concert (4 pm)
Sunday, 11/15—Vespers to honor the memory of parishioners who have died in the past year, with the exquisite "Requiem" by Maurice Duruflé, Champagne Reception following (4 pm)
Thursday, 11/19—ECW Meeting (11:30 am)
Saturday, 11/21—Christmas Craft Fair (9 am—5 pm)
Sunday, 12/13—Lessons and Carols (4 pm)
Sunday, 12/20—eVoco Women's Chorus Concert (4 pm)
Thursday, 12/24—CHRISTMAS EVE Family Eucharist and Pageant—4:00 pm
Solemn Choral Eucharist—11:00 pm
Friday, 12/25—CHRISTMAS DAY EUCHARIST—10:00 am

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY 10/4/15

We pray for those seeking healing: Alice, Ann, Ann, Beryl, Bradley, Bruce, Bryan, Chris, Daniel, David, Debbie, Ellen, Ellie, Ezra, Gary, Jack, James, Joy, Kelly, LaJune, Leo, Linda, Lisa, Louie, Manuel, Nancy, Natalie, Nicole, Patrick, Paul, Ryan, Samantha, Sandra, Sarah Grace, Tom, and the Reverend Robert J. McCloskey, Jr.;

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

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 the Society of St. Francis; St. Joseph's, Queens Village; All Saints', Richmond Hill; Church of the Resurrection, Richmond Hill; St. Peter's, Rosedale; St. Alban the Martyr, Saint Alban's; St. John's, South Ozone Park;

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Dioceses of Ghana (West Africa); Swansea & Brecon (Wales); Swaziland (Southern Africa); Sydney (Australia); Tabora (Tanzania); Taita-Taveta (Kenya); Taiwan (Province IX, Episcopal Church).

MUSIC AT ST. PETER'S

Presents

GEORGE ENGLAND, *classical guitar* Sunday, October 4, 2015 4 o'clock in the afternoon





George England grew up in an artistic home steeped in the traditions of American folk and jazz music. His relationship with the guitar is exploratory, as his performances often include works from the Renaissance to the present day, improvisation and historical period instruments in both solo and ensemble settings.

George was awarded a Fender Instruments Corporation Grant in 2004 to study jazz at the Berklee School of Music in Boston and the Andrés Segovia Memorial Endowment in 2005 to pursue classical guitar at California State University Northridge. In 2008 he was a finalist in the Sierra Nevada International Solo Guitar Competition and received 1st Prize at the Festival of New American Music Performer's Competition in Sacramento, California.

George is currently a Doctoral Candidate in guitar performance at Stony Brook University and he holds a Master. of Music from California State University Sacramento (CSUS) and a Bachelor of Music, Cum Laude, from California State University Northridge (CSUN). His teachers have included Ronald Borczon, Ronald Purcell, Gyan Riley, Richard Savino, Steven Thachuk, and Brandon Yip. He is currently a student of Jerry Willard.

George's teaching career includes engagements ranging from private studio work to lecturing university courses. He had adjudicated at the Junior Bach Festival in Berkeley, California, the Stony Brook Pre-College Concerto Competition, and has lead the guitar ensembles at CSUS. He has taught at CSUN and Yuba Community College and has developed guitar programs at the Music Stream Center, Sacramento School of Music, Stockton School of Music, Claremont Community School of Music, and was creator and sole proprietor of the Sacramento Guitar Institute. He is now on the faculty at the Music Conservatory of Westchester.



Kathleen O'Rourke, soprano

John Dowland (1562-1626)

Fernando Sor (1778-1839)

Johann Kaspar Mertz (1806-1856)

Les folies d'Espagne, Op. 15

Can She Excuse My Wrongs? Lachrimae Pavan

Come Again, Sweet Love Doth Now Invite

Selecctions from Bardenklänge I. An Malvina II. Abenlied III. Romanze IV. Fingals-Höhle

Introducion and Variations on 'O Cara Armonia' from Mozart's *The Magic Flute*, Op. 9

- Intermission -

Lento with Variation

Louange à l'Éternité de Jésus [Praise to the Eternity of Jesus] from *Quartet for the End of Time* Leonardo Balada (b. 1933)

Fernando Sor (1778-1839)

Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992) Arr. by Joe Sferra for *Third Person Narrative*

Third Person Narrative

Phuc Phan, cello; David Gazaille, clarinet; George England, guitar

Dance Set #3 I. Tango II. Waltz III. Interlude and Quickstep Sid Robinovitch (b. 1942)

Suggested Donation: \$20.00/\$15.00 students and seniors



Stewardship Narrative Series presented by TENS

Proper 22 Mark 10:2-16

Twenty years ago, when I was a high school freshman, one of America's most prominent preachers led a conference in my tiny hometown. The first night, I ran up to the evangelist, eagerly thrust out my hand, and said, "My name is Levi Harris, and I'm so excited to hear you speak!" Without looking up, the preacher nodded, muttered "uh-huh," and walked away to speak with local religious grandees about his fee. My town and I were beneath him, levying unwelcome taxes on his time and stature. He couldn't wait to get back to people and places that mattered.



His actions stand in stark contrast to Jesus' actions in today's Gospel. Jesus is a busy man too, on the road to Jerusalem and the Cross. He doesn't have much time.

But over the disciples' objections, Jesus takes a break from teaching, sits down, and focuses on being present with this band of little strangers. Where the disciples see a bunch of noisy, dirty, goofy kids making demands on Jesus' dwindling time and energy, Jesus sees an opportunity to give.

Time may be the most extravagant gift of all. We can always earn more money and buy more things, but we can't make more time. Time is a fixed commodity; once it is spent, it's gone forever. Even life itself is just a brief parenthetical carved tenuously out of the eons of eternity. That's why we shouldn't spend time on meaningless trifles: We don't have time to waste. However, Jesus shows us that sharing time with others isn't wasteful. Stranger and friend, young and old, whole and infirm, rich and poor: people are worth our time. They're worth the effort it takes to make memories with them; to touch, serve, and bless them.

In fact, though science and experience teach us we can't stop time, sharing our time can bring us very, very close. Playing with children, say, or Christmas caroling at nursing homes, or serving food to the grateful hungry, or laughing with old friends, we may find ourselves transported again and again, suddenly, sublimely, to those "thin places" in which time stands still and, for fleeting moments, we're able to glimpse eternity. And I promise you that every loving, grateful act is timeless, and every wave it casts will keep on rippling, across forever, to the very end of the universe.

Two decades later, I still remember the preacher who thought I wasn't worth his time. Meanwhile, I suspect the little children Jesus took up in his arms that day were still telling the tale of his selfless generosity for the rest of their lives.

Miserly or magnanimous: What will they say about us?



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Reflection Questions:

What activities occupy most of your time? Are the activities tiring or life-giving? How do you feel when someone important to you devotes time to you? What does Jesus teach us about how we use our time?



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For more information please contact: Debbie Crawford at <u>genglou@yahoo.com</u> or Carl Siciliano at <u>vze34jmg@verizon.net</u>



OCTOBER 4, 2015—NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (B) ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

On October 4th, the Church celebrates the life and witness of St. Francis of Assisi, founder of the Franciscan and Clarissine Orders, advocate for the poor, and friend of the animals.

Born in the late 12th century, Francis was the son of a wealthy merchant and his high-born wife. Despite living a life of general comfort and ease, he found himself called toward a life in pursuit of "Lady Poverty". After a series of humbling interactions with the poor, Francis devoted himself to the care of the sick and poor, giving up his business interests and material possessions (much to his father's chagrin). It could not have been easy, but Francis' faith demanded that he trade in his fine clothes for sackcloth and financial security for scarcity. In the words of the prayer attributed to the saint, he found that "it is in giving that we receive."

Francis founded the Order of Friars Minor, which demanded a strict vow of poverty, in the belief that worldly goods too often proved distractions

from a sanctified life. With Clare of Assisi, he would form the Poor Clares, a religious order for women similarly dedicated to service. A Third Order would follow close behind, for those men and women who would live out Franciscan values in the context of everyday life. In Francis' thought, to fully embrace one's poverty was to embrace reliance on God alone; to physically suffer was to identify with Christ's own suffering. According to Holy Women, Holy Men, this made Francis, "the most popular and admired [saint], but probably the least imitated."



We may perhaps remember St. Francis best for his devotion to nature and animals; in several hagiographies, or stories of the saints, Francis is depicted as preaching to and otherwise communicating with fish, birds, and even a wolf. He believed that the Creator, is praised through all His creatures and, indeed, creation itself. It is in this spirit that many Episcopal churches offer blessings of pets and other animals each year on Francis' feast day. In order to commemorate the love Francis had for all of God's creation, churches may draw on The Episcopal Network for Animal Welfare's Rites and Prayers for the Care of Beloved Animals. These resources, authorized at the 2012 General Convention, can be found here: http://www.franciscan-anglican.com/ enaw/resources.htm.

Collect for the Feast of St. Francis

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may for love of you delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. ("Holy Women, Holy Men," p. 623)



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