



the **Church**  
of **St Peter** and  
**St Simon**-the-Apostle

**ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**(PROPER 21)**  
**AUGUST 25, 2019**

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**HOLY EUCHARIST AT 8:30 AM**

*Celebrant:* The Reverend Jennifer Matthews      *Deacon:* The Reverend Michael Perry  
The service begins on page 67 of the *Book of Common Prayer*.  
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**CHORAL EUCHARIST AT 10:30 AM**

*Celebrant:* The Reverend Jennifer Matthews      *Deacon:* The Reverend Michael Perry  
*Mass Setting: A New Plainsong – David Hurd*  
*Agnus Dei – David Hurd*

**The Gathering of the Community**

**Prelude** *Voluntary in C*

G.F. HANDEL

**Processional Hymn 350** *Stand Up and Bless the Lord*

ST. THOMAS

*Celebrant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

**All**      **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God,

**All**      **to you all hearts are open,**  
**all desires known,**  
**and from you no secrets are hidden.**  
**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**

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Proclamation of the Word

**First Lesson** *Jeremiah 1:4-10*

Read by Kenneth Clarke

*Reader* The 1st Lesson is written in the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter of the book of Jeremiah, beginning at the 4<sup>th</sup> verse.

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.’ Then I said, ‘Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.’ But the LORD said to me, ‘Do not say, “I am only a boy”; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.’ Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, ‘Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.’

*Reader* The word of the Lord

**All** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 71:1-6

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; \*  
let me never be ashamed.

2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \*  
incline your ear to me and save me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \*  
you are my crag and my stronghold.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \*  
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, \*  
my confidence since I was young.

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;  
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; \*  
my praise shall be always of you.

**Second Lesson** *Hebrews 12:18-29*

Read by Peggy Needham

*Reader* The 2nd Lesson is written in the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter of the Letter to the Hebrews, beginning at the 18<sup>th</sup> verse.

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

**All** **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn 564** *Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us*

MANNHEIM

**The Holy Gospel** *Luke 13:10-17*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you

**All** **And also with you.**

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

**All** **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of Christ.

*All* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Homily**

The Reverend Michael Perry

**The Apostles' Creed**

*Celebrant* Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

*All* **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.**

**Prayers of the People** *Please kneel or stand, as able.*

Led by Peggy Needham

**Anointing and Laying on of Hands for Healing**

*Celebrant* Holy Scripture teaches us that in acts of healing and restoration our Lord Jesus and his disciples laid hands on the sick and anointed them. By so doing they made known the healing power and presence of God. Pray that as we follow our Lord's example, we may know his unfailing love.

*Those who would like to be anointed are invited at this time to the  
St. Peter's altar.*

### **Confession and Absolution**

*The Celebrant invites the confession of sin. Then is said:*

*Celebrant* Most merciful God,

*All*        **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 neighbours 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.** *The Absolution is pronounced.*

### **The Peace**

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

*All*        **And also with you.**

*We invite you to share a sign of peace with those near you – a handshake, slight bow or  
other form of greeting. Please respect the wishes of those who prefer not to shake hands.*

## **Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Hymn 415** *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

ALL THINGS BRIGHT

### **Prayer over the Gifts & Great Thanksgiving**

*Celebrant* God of glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase  
in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **Eucharistic Prayer 2**

*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 our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

*People* *Sanctus CP#689*

DAVID HURD

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant* Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me." Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

## Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* "I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

*All*           **Give us this bread for ever.**

*Celebrant* "I am the vine, you are the branches."

*All*           **May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.

*All*           **Thanks be to God.**

**Agnus Dei** CP#690

DAVID HURD

*People* ***O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.***

***O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.***

***O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.***

## Holy Communion

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion.*

*Please do not dip the consecrated bread into the wine - Drinking from the chalice is considered safe from the point of view of public health. You are also welcome to receive only the bread, if you prefer. Indicate this by holding your arms crossed over your chest as the chalice passes; this is also a way to receive a blessing rather than communion.*

*Gluten-free communion wafers are available – please let the administering priest know.*

**Prayer after Communion** *Please stand.*

*Celebrant* All your works praise you, O Lord.

*All*           **And your faithful servants bless you. Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, ring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Blessing**

**Announcements** *Please be seated.*

**Recessional Hymn 565** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

*CWM RHONDDA*

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All*           **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** *Toccata in E minor*

JOHANN PACHELBEL