



St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 28A

November 16, 2008

BCP-Book of Common Prayer

WLP Hymnal-Wonder, Love and Praise

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

7:45 a.m.

The Reverend J. Fletcher Montgomery, Celebrant

The Word of God

Entrance Rite

BCP 323

The Collect of the Day

The Lessons

Judges 4:1-7

Psalm 123

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

The Sermon The Reverend J. Fletcher Montgomery

The Nicene Creed

BCP 327

The Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP 387

Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The Peace

The Holy Communion

Offertory

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP 340

The Breaking of the Bread

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The Communion

Postcommunion Prayer and Blessing

BCP 339

Hymn at the Procession Hymnal #660 "O Master, let me walk with thee"

Maryton

Dismissal

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
9:00 a.m.
The Reverend Mary Moore Roberson, Celebrant

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation and The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Hymn of Praise

Hymnal #598 "Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth"

Mit Freuden zart

The Collect of the Day

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson

Judges 4:1-7

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

The Gradual

Psalm 123 *Ad te levavi oculos meos*

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, *
 to you enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *
 and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the LORD our God, *
 until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, *
 for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
 and of the derision of the proud.

The Epistle

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

At the Sequence

Hymnal #711, v. 1 "Seek ye first"

Seek Ye First

(Procession to Children's Chapel for 3K, 4K, and 5K. Children will return at the Peace.)

The Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus said, "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

The Sermon The Reverend J. Fletcher Montgomery

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP 387

Confession of Sin and Absolution

BCP 360

The Peace

The Holy Communion

At the Offertory “Be Thou My Vision”
Haley Rice, Soloist

Arr. Richard Shephard

Hymn at the Presentation

Hymnal #380, v. 3 “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow”

Old Hundredth

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer D

WLP #858 “Holy, holy, holy Lord” *Sanctus*

BCP 372

Land of Rest

The Breaking of the Bread

WLP #763, v. 1 “As we gather at your table”

BCP 364

Raquel

Hymns at the Communion

WLP #761 “All who hunger gather gladly”

Hymnal #660 “O Master, let me walk with thee”

Hymnal #707 “Take my life, and let it be consecrated”

Hymnal #602 “Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love”

Holy Manna

Maryton

Hollingside

Chereponi

People’s response to the sending out of the Eucharistic Visitors:

May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this Sacrament of Christ’s presence.

Postcommunion Prayer and Blessing

BCP 365

Hymn at the Procession

Hymnal #490 “I want to walk as a child of the light”

Houston

Dismissal

Frances Webb, guest organist

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