Holy Trinity Church

446 Hamilton St. Southbridge, Massachusetts 01550

A parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 8th, 2021

9:30 a.m. choral service

The Rev. Richard Signore, Celebrant & Preacher
Josh Spooner, Reader
Lana Pieczynski, Organist

Prelude: "Comfort, Comfort Ye My People" - Arr. by Ken Medema

Processional hymn #335

Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son & Holy Spirit

People And blessed be God's Kingdom now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Gloria: S-280 Glory to you, Lord

Setting: John Rutter

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.,

Collect (said by all)

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

First Reading: Reader A reading from the book of 1 Kings

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

1 Kings 19:4-8

Reader The Word of the Lord **People Thanks be to God**

Silence

PSALM 34:1-8 *said by all, in unison*

BCP p. 627

I will bless the Lord at all times;

his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

I will glory in the Lord;

let the humble hear and rejoice.

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;

let us exalt his Name together.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me out of all my terror.

Look upon him and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, and he will deliver them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

Alleluia Verse



Holy Gospel John 6:35, 41-51

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. 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."

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

Sermon Fr. Richard Signore

Prayers of the People III

Prayer Book, p. 387

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Prayer for the Parish - O everlasting source of love, in whom our faith resides, guide us surely ever forward on our lifelong journey. Not so fast that we miss the beauty that surrounds us on the way, nor miss your grace so freely given that teaches us how to grow. But with a steady presence felt and a sense of gratitude may we find our place amidst the jungle of life within the kingdom of heaven on earth. Amen

Confession & Absolution

Prayer Book, p. 360

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, in the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Peace

The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Music: "Morning Has Broken" - Arr. by Neil Archer

Eucharistic Prayer 2 Bulletin Insert

The Lord's Prayer Prayer Book, p. 364

Fraction Anthem: S-155

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Communion Music: "Commune With Me / Let Us Break Bread Together" Arr. By Carol Tornquist

The Post Communion Prayer (Said by all worshiping in person)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son and Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn -LEVAS 151

Dismissal Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Music: "Ode to Joy" - Ludwig van Beethoven (Arr. by Sharon Aaronson)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- •The Diocese offers **Compline** all summer! MONDAY @ 8 PM EST: The Very Rev. Jim Munroe; TUESDAY @ 8 PM EST: The Rt. Rev. Douglas J. Fisher; WEDNESDAY @ 8 PM EST: The Rt. Rev. Mark M. Beckwith. Join Zoom Compline https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88987994498?pwd=NnY4ZHh0NGQ0SktmTm1lbjAyMEhWQT09Meeting ID: 889 8799 4498; Passcode: Bishop; Dial by your location +1 929 205 6099 US (New York);
- •The **Mission Plate** funds for the month of August will go to St. Luke's Guesthouse, located in Southbridge, to help provide short-term sheltering.
- •Special request from the Daughters of The King: Please donate to the **Liberia Project**. We are still collecting the following items: Spiral notebooks, binders, folders, writing paper, pens and pencils, markers, erasers, etc. There is also a great need for toiletries, including: shampoo, conditioner, bath (bar) soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body lotion (cocoa butter cream), deodorant, etc. This will be an ongoing mission. We are also seeking contributions toward the costs of shipping these materials to Liberia. You may donate by check or through Tithely. Please donate what you can and pray for them.
- •Flowers on the Altar: We would like to adorn our altar with flowers again! The flower sign-up sheet is on the back table. Please use a flower envelope to leave your payment. \$28 cut; \$38 arrangement
- •Birthday Cards: We are looking for donation of cards for all occasions –birthday, sympathy and get well, especially. Please leave them in the basket in the Narthex. Thank you!
- •DOK Speaker: Next Sunday August 15th, Julia Duncan-Cassell speaking during our service.