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The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost (*Proper 13*)

August 2, 2020

Zoom coffee hour 9:30 am; Zoom service 10 am; Zoom coffee hour after the service.

Zoom Meeting ID 500-865-037 or enter via the parish Web link at <http://www.stmarksnewbritain.org>.

There is also a telephone number you could call on your phone to join the Zoom service:

1-646-558-8656 (phone charges may apply for the telephone call).

Skype phone service continues at 10:50 am on Sundays. Fr. Shaw would call those who are interested.

Service especially for those who do not have Internet or unlimited phone plans.

A YouTube playlist of short services is in the process of being created, with plans for your use at any time, via a link on the main parish Web page: <http://www.stmarksnewbritain.org>

Hymn 48 "*O day of radiant gladness*"

Es flog ein kliens Waldvögelein

(everyone muted except instrumentalist and cantor; everyone else sing where they are)

1. O day of radiant gladness,
O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness,
most beautiful, most bright;
this day the high and lowly,
through ages joined in tune,
sing, "Holy, holy, holy,"
to the great God Triune.

2. This day at the creation,
the light first had its birth;
this day for our salvation
Christ rose from depths of earth;
this day our Lord victorious
the Spirit sent from heaven,
and thus this day most glorious
a triple light was given.

4. That light our hope sustaining,
we walk the pilgrim way,
at length our rest attaining,
our endless Sabbath day.
We sing to thee our praises,
O Father, Spirit, Son;
the Church her voice upraises
to thee, blest Three in One.

Opening Acclamation

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

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

Collect For Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:
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.**

The Gloria

Celebrant sets the pace.

People and Celebrant, *remembering to pause at the punctuation:*

**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.**

The Collect of the Day - The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray together, remembering to pause at the punctuation, to let the technology synchronize.
Celebrant sets the pace.

People and Celebrant, *remembering to pause at the punctuation:*

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 55:1-5

Lector: Volunteer

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145:8-9, 15-22

Lector: Volunteer

Leader: The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
People: slow to anger and of great kindness.
Leader: The LORD is loving to everyone *
People: and his compassion is over all his works.
Leader: The LORD upholds all those who fall; *
People: he lifts up those who are bowed down.
Leader: The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, *
People: and you give them their food in due season.
Leader: You open wide your hand *
People: and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
Leader: The LORD is righteous in all his ways *
People: and loving in all his works.
Leader: The LORD is near to those who call upon him, *
People: to all who call upon him faithfully.
Leader: He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; *
People: he hears their cry and helps them.
Leader: The LORD preserves all those who love him, *
People: but he destroys all the wicked.
Leader: My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; *
People: let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.

The Second Lesson

Romans 9:1-5

Lector: Volunteer

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit - I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 309 "O food to pilgrims given"

(everyone muted except instrumentalist and cantor; everyone else sing where they are)

O Welt, ich muss dich lassen

1. O Food to pilgrims given,
O Bread of life from heaven,
O Manna from on high!
We hunger; Lord, supply us,
nor thy delights deny us,
whose hearts to thee draw nigh.

2. O stream of love past telling,
O purest fountain, welling
from out the Savior's side!
We faint with thirst; revive us,
of thine abundance give us,
and all we need provide.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

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

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Shaw Mudge

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People VI

Leader: Volunteer

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader: For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Ian and Laura our Bishops; and for Shaw our Priest, and for all bishops and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

Leader: Let us pray together, the Prayer of Spiritual Communion

Celebrant sets the pace.

People and Celebrant, remembering to pause at the punctuation:

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is

celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves to you, and embrace you with all the affections of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live and die in your love. Amen.

Celebrant: God of life, we thank you for the mystery planted in us, the paradox of life from death and community from scattered disciples. We praise you for the dying which saves us from death and for the rising which brings us life. We pray, as we live, through Jesus the risen one, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Offertory reminder: Please remember to support the work of Christ through St. Marks', either by mailing your financial contributions to the parish post office box or by sending a check via your bank's bill-paying Web page to the parish post office box (the address is listed towards the end of the bulletin). Thank you. People like yourself help make St. Mark's special.

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.
Ephesians 5:2

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say (As our Savior Christ has taught us to pray):
Celebrant sets the pace.

People and Celebrant, *remembering to pause at the punctuation:*

(Traditional)

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

(Contemporary)

<p>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 forever. Amen.</p>

The Blessing

Priest: Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Dismissal Hymn 690 "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah"

(everyone muted except instrumentalist and cantor; everyone else sing where they are)

Cwm Rhondda

1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand;
bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.

2. Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through;
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When a priest is present, the service ends with the dismissal:

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

When a priest is not present, the service ends with the Grace, led by a worship leader or deacon:

Worship Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

People: **Amen.**

Announcements, as had.

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost – August 2, 2020

Longterm prayers are asked for: Irene Alibrio, Sophia Anderson, Russell Atkinson, Bill Briggs, Patricia Cone, Cletus Cone, Henry Coutere, Dave, Debbie, Ron DeRobertis, Elaine, Nancy Fields, Thomas Hard, Gary Hudkins, Margaret Hughes, Rachael Johnston, Katherine, Florence Kruvka, Pauline Liese, Lindsay, Louise, Carolyn Mansolf, Christopher McLaughlin, Fran Montoya, Gabriella Nauss, Lori Nauss, Nancy Nowlak, Joseph O'Tulak, Olivia Pike, Benjamin Pisseri, P.J., Jack Polinco, Francis and Joann Rusczyk, Debbie Spak, Frank Williams, Zachary.

Prayers are offered for:

Healing: Bill Briggs, Claire Lucid, Laura Rocco, Danny, Irene Alibrio, Sue Savage, Ann Maltais, Rae Robinson, Edward Dubois, Barbara Campbell, Gail Bates, Mary Gould, Linda, Gary, and Ron Napper.

ECCT Cycle of Prayer: Good Shepherd, Shelton; St. Paul's, Shelton; St. Alban's, Simsbury; Christ Church Cathedral's ministry in Hartford; the Cathedral Chapter; and honorary canons of our Cathedral.

Those who serve our country: Ryan Beaudoin, Parker Browne, Michael Johnston, and Ed Priesser.

Parish families: Oscar, Gertrude and Bryan Yagoobian, Beth Yannello and family, Luke Zielinski, and Edmund Zup.

Those who have died, especially Leo Rudewicz, and those who are remembered today: Cora and William Scheuy and A. Kent and Glenna Hartling.

PRAYER CHAIN: To activate the chain call or email:

Barbara Campbell – Phone: 860-673-7607 Email: campbellba24@gmail.com

Please remember to send in your pledges and offerings to the parish. The mail in the St. Mark's post office box is picked up several times a week. Your pledge payments are compiled at least once a month and deposited.

Mailing address for financial contributions:

**St. Mark's Episcopal Church PO Box 1538 New Britain, CT 06050-1538
or send checks electronically to the Church via your bank.**

St. Marks keeps going in God's way, God's time, and to God's glory.

The worship services, the parish office, and ministry to the community adapt and continue. Your contributions of time, talent, and treasure are appreciated to make it happen.

People can gather and talk at Coffee Hour before the service or after the service.

Please remember to turn your phone volume down slightly on the Skype call.

Please contact Cheryl in the Parish Office if you have any questions.

June 17th began Connecticut's Coronavirus Phase 2; Diocesan protocols for Phase 1 continue alongside Connecticut Phase 2.

As of this writing (July 7th at 11:58 am), Phase 2 is anticipated to last into the foreseeable future, contingent on further developments. In Phase 2, "Stay home, stay safe" is strongly urged for 65+ and those with co-morbidities such as diabetes.

St. Mark's online, Skype, and YouTube services continue.

Planned meetings and ministries, for August:

Wardens & Treasurer Meeting – August 5 at 5:45 (Zoom)
Finance Committee Meeting – August 5 at 7 p.m.
The next Vestry Meeting will be held on August 11th at 6:45 p.m.

The Food Pantry ministry continues on Mondays (9 to 2) and Thursdays (9 to 12).



Camp Washington Outdoor Tag Sale
Saturday, August 8th 9a.m. – 3p.m.
Lots of treasures and bargains!
They will enforce social distancing, limit the number of shoppers at a time and masks will be required!



The Parish Office will be closed from August 3rd through August 14th while Cheryl is on vacation. Email and voicemail will be checked during this time. Mail from the PO Box will also be picked up during this time (Thank you John Pilla!)

Summer Hours for the Parish Office: Monday through Thursday from 8:30 to 2:00. The office will be closed on Fridays.

Jerome Home/Arbor Rose Services:

Please contact Jenna Sweet at Jerome Home or Donna Valente, Jenna's activities director counterpart at Arbor Rose, to enable access to either St Mark's Sunday live Zoom services online or to St. Mark's Sunday video YouTube services online (available all week)."

From the meeting of Bishops and Lay Leaders:
What is God calling us to explore that is new?

St. Mark's: "Open to God's Love - Serving Our Neighbor"