

St. Clement's Church
Holy Eucharist

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
July 12, 2009

Organ Prelude *Prelude II in G Major* Felix Mendelssohn

Processional Hymn 376 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee *Hymn to Joy*

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity BCP p. 323

The Summary of the Law BCP p. 324

Gloria in excelsis Deo S-201 John Merbecke

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people who call upon thee, and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading: 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

It was told King David, "The Lord has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God." So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced

before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart. They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord.

When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 24

- 1 The earth is the Lord's and all that is *in it*,
the world and all who dwell *therein*.
- 2 For it is he who founded it upon the *seas*
and made it firm upon the rivers of the *deep*.
- 3 "Who can ascend the hill of the *Lord*?
and who can stand in his holy *place*?"
- 4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure *heart*,
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a *fraud*.
- 5 They shall receive a blessing from the *Lord*
and a just reward from the God of their *salvation*."
- 6 Such is the generation of those who *seek him*,
of those who seek your face, O God of *Jacob*.
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting *doors*;
and the King of glory shall come *in*.
- 8 "Who is this King of *glory*?"
"The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in *battle*."
- 9 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting *doors*;
and the King of glory shall come *in*.
- 10 "Who is this King of *glory*?"
"The Lord of hosts, he is the King of *glory*."

The Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us.

With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 365

Come, thou almighty King

Moscow

The Holy Gospel: Mark 6:14-29

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him.

But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you,

even half of my kingdom.” She went out and said to her mother, “What should I ask for?” She replied, “The head of John the baptizer.” Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, “I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.”

The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John’s head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Bruce D. O’Neill

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

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Confession of Sin

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Absolution and Comfortable Words

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The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

Birthday & Anniversary Prayers

Announcements

Offertory Anthem

Recitative and Aria from Elijah
Victor Gold, baritone

Felix Mendelssohn

I go on my way in the strength of the Lord. For Thou art my Lord; and I will suffer for Thy sake. My heart is therefore glad, my glory rejoiceth; and my flesh shall also rest in hope.
Psalms 71:16 and 16:9

For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but Thy kindness shall not depart from me; neither shall the covenant of Thy peace be removed.
Isaiah 54:10

Chorus from Elijah
Adult Choir

Lift thine eyes to the mountains, whence cometh help. Thy help cometh from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. He hath said, thy foot shall not be moved, thy keeper will never slumber.
Psalm 121:1-3

Presentation Hymn 380, verse 3

Old Hundredth

The Great Thanksgiving

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus

John Merbecke

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God... BCP p. 341
By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost
all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People AMEN.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei

John Merbecke

Prayer of Humble Access

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Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

At St. Clement's all who seek Christ are invited to receive communion. Please come forward when the ushers guide you and fill in at the first available place at the altar rail, either kneeling or standing.

Communion Anthem

Wash Me Thoroughly
Adult Choir

David Halls
Psalm 51:2-3

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness, and forgive me all my sin.
For I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before me.

Communion Hymn 340

For the bread which you have broken

Beng-Li

Postcommunion Prayer

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Blessing

Recessional Hymn 483

The head that once was crowned with thorns

St. Magnus

Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude

Fugue II in G Major

Felix Mendelssohn