

St. Clement's Church
Holy Eucharist

The Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 14, 2009

Organ Prelude

Prelude in D Minor

Felix Mendelssohn

Processional Hymn 617

Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round

Song 1

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

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

The Collect for Purity

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The Summary of the Law

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Gloria in excelsis Deo, S-202

Healey Willan

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All kneel.

Keep, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy household the Church in thy steadfast faith and love, that by the help of thy grace we may proclaim thy truth with boldness, and minister thy justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading: I Samuel 15:34—16:13

Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.” But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.”

Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

Psalm 20

- 1 May the LORD answer you in the day of *trouble*,
the Name of the God of Jacob *defend you*;
- 2 Send you help from his holy *place*
and strengthen you out of *Zion*;
- 3 Remember all your *offerings*
and accept your burnt *sacrifice*;
- 4 Grant you your heart’s *desire*
and prosper all your *plans*.
- 5 We will shout for joy at your victory and triumph in the Name of our *God*;
may the LORD grant all your *requests*.
- 6 Now I know that the LORD gives victory to his *anointed*;
he will answer him out of his holy heaven, with the victorious strength of his right *hand*.
- 7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in *horses*,
but we will call upon the Name of the LORD our *God*.
- 8 They collapse and fall *down*,
but we will arise and stand *upright*.
- 9 O LORD, give victory to the *king*
and answer us when we *call*.

The Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences.

We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 589

Almighty God, your word is cast like seed

Walden

The Holy Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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

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Announcements

Offertory Anthem

Chorus from Elijah
Adult Choir

Felix Mendelssohn
Psalm 112: 1,4

Blessed are the men who fear Him, they ever walk in the way of peace.
Through darkness riseth light, light to the upright.
He is gracious, compassionate; He is righteous.

Presentation Hymn 380, verse 3

Old Hundredth

The people remain standing.

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, S-114

Healey Willan

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God... BCP p. 334

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, S-158

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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. The bread is received in the open palm. The wine may be taken from the common cup by drinking (placing your hand gently on the base of the chalice to guide it) or by dipping the wafer of bread into the cup.

Communion Voluntary*Sonata VI: Andante*

Felix Mendelssohn

Communion Hymn 302

Father, we thank thee who hast planted

*Rendez à Dieu***Postcommunion Prayer**

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Blessing**Recessional Hymn 388**

O worship the King, all glorious above!

Hanover

It has been the custom at St. Clement's to kneel after the hymn to await the dismissal. Please do as you feel comfortable.

Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude*Fugue in D Minor*

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