

## Thought for the Week



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**Visits** - If you know of someone in this Parish who is sick or shut-in and would like a visit, please let us know! Rev Wendy would love to visit.

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## St. James Anglican Church

September 20, 2020

16th. Sunday after Pentecost

Service of Holy Eucharist

The Book of Alternative Services

### The Grace

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

### The Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**People: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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 Collect for the Day

**(Together): Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth, and ourselves in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

### First Reading

Exodus 16: 2-15

### Psalm

105: 1-6, 37-45

1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; \* make known his deeds among the peoples.

**2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, \* and speak of all his marvellous works.**

3 Glory in his holy name; \* let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**4 Search for the Lord and his strength; \* continually seek his face**

. 5 Remember the marvels he has done, \* his wonders and the judgements of his mouth,

**6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, \* O children of Jacob his chosen.**

37 He led out his people with silver and gold; \* in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.

**38 Egypt was glad of their going, \* because they were afraid of them.**

39 He spread out a cloud for a covering \* and a fire to give light in the night season.

**40 They asked, and quails appeared, \* and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.**

41 He opened the rock, and water flowed, \* so the river ran in the dry places.

**42 For God remembered his holy word \* and Abraham his servant.**

43 So he led forth his people with gladness, \* his chosen with shouts of joy.

**44 He gave his people the lands of the nations, \* and they took the fruit of others' toil,**

45 That they might keep his statutes \* and observe his laws. Hallelujah!

**(Together): God of our salvation, through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you have fulfilled your promise to our ancestors in the faith to redeem the world from slavery and to lead us into the promised land. Grant us living water from the rock and bread from heaven, that we may survive our desert pilgrimage and praise you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer Amen**

**Second Reading:    Philippians 1: 21-30**

**Musical Selection: -**

**Gospel:             Matthew 20: 1-16**

**Sermon**

**The Apostles' Creed**

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Church News**



**Family Eucharist –Today**

**Cold drinks and pre packaged snacks will be served outside after the service.**

**Free Flu Shot Clinic at St James, Sun, Nov 1 after worship.  
Kindly provided by David Ford. More details to follow.**

**A 5-week online study on God and the Pandemic** by N.T. Wright will be hosted by Archbishop David on Wednesdays evenings, September 23 - October 21. For more information go to this link or the Diocesan Website. <https://nb.anglican.ca/events/god-and-the-pandemic/2020-09-23>

**Mobile medical clinic - Fundraiser** The Diocese of Fredericton is partnering with our Companion Diocese of Ho in Ghana, the Ho Teaching Hospital, and Rotary Clubs to buy and equip a mobile medical clinic to bring basic health care to the 2,000,000 rural people in the Diocese.

Vestry voted to donate \$250. This was matched by the ACW for a total of \$500 donated by St James. If you wish to donate, you may do so online or by cheque payable to the Diocese of Fredericton...noting on it 'Diocese of Ho Mobile Medical Clinic'. St James will forward your donation cheques to the Synod office.

COVID-19 is severely affecting the Diocese of Ho. Please pray for the Diocese of Ho, and for the staff of the Teaching Hospital of Ho who are under much pressure.

**Vestry Meeting Sunday, September 27** – Downstairs after the service. Due to the COVID virus, our aim is a 1 hour meeting.

**E-offering – Good News!** If you are interested in signing up, please see **Tim Binks**. Brochures are in the vestibule.

**Doxology:**

Celebrant : Glory to God,

**People: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

**Announcements**

**The Dismissal**

**Prayer Requests: Susan Goguen, Trisha Corner**

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**Church News**

**Movies to Borrow: There are a number of movies on racial themes. They are in a basket on the way out. Newest is ‘The Book of Negroes’.**

**St. James Community Breakfast – Many thanks to all those who continue to support this outreach.**

On the third Saturday of each month, we sponsor a brown bag Community Breakfast at St. George’s Church. Volunteers are needed.

If you can help or for information, please see Rev.Wendy or Donna

**Memorial Bulletins** –‘Memorial Bulletin’ are available on a Sunday chosen by the donor to remember loved ones. A memorial notice will be placed in the bulletin for that week. A donation of \$25-50 would be gratefully received. For more information please talk to Loretta or Rev Wendy

**Food Bank Sunday – First Sunday of the Month**

**Three Books Donated** – Many thanks to David Ford for donating three beautiful books on racial tolerance. They have been borrowed already but will be available on loan.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**  
***16th Sunday after Pentecost***

**Priest:** Generous and loving God, your providence surrounds us with all things necessary for our common life: Grant to your people such fulfillment in our life and work, that we may reach out in service and compassion toward others, as we pray for the needs of the world, saying: We search for you and your strength; **we continually seek your face.**

**Reader 1:** Loving God, you have given your people the confidence to come before you through the new and living way that Jesus Christ has opened for us. Grant your church grace to provoke one another to love and good deeds, encouraging one another in Christ. In the church we pray for David our Bishop, Brent our Archdeacon, Wendy our Priest and all in leadership roles. May they lead us to understand the love of Jesus and His message. Bless your Church and her members as we labour in your vineyard, that we may be fruitful, as we live our lives in a manner worthy of the gospel, and live faithfully in your loving presence We search for you and your strength; **we continually seek your face.**

**Reader 2:** Inspire our nation with honorable industry and a just economy, that every person may find meaningful work and a proper return for their labor. We search for you and your strength; **we continually seek your face.**

**Reader 3:** Give the bread from heaven to all who yearn and the bread from earth to all in need, that every person on your earth may have all things necessary for their wholeness and health. We search for you and your strength; **we continually seek your face.**

**Reader 4:** Inspire this community that all may live together in a worthy manner, standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side for goodness. We search for you and your strength; **we continually seek your face.**

**Reader 5:** God of compassion, hear the complaints of all who suffer and give your generous attention to those for whom we offer our prayer in intercession, especially for those on our parish prayer list...*(add names known)*. Hear our gladness and joy as we offer our thanksgivings. Embrace with your eternal life those who have died. We search for you and your strength; **we continually seek your face.**

**(Together): You call your children at every hour into your divine work of reconciliation, O Holy One: Strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may be fruitful servants in our time in your vineyard, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

### Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Celebrant; Most merciful God,

**People: 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 neighbours 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, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

### Prayer Over the Gifts:

**(Together): God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

### Eucharistic Prayer #2

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,..... / .....to proclaim the glory of your name.

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

### The Lord's Prayer

### The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread**

### The Communion

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Prayer after Communion:

**(Together): Ruler of the universe, all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son. May we who have shared in holy things grow into maturity in him. This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord.. Amen**