

St. Anne's Episcopal Church
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The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Service of Holy Eucharist



October 3, 2021

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St. Anne's Mission Statement

*We seek to be led by the spirit to understand God's purpose for the world
with our mission being to respond through Christ
in worship, education, fellowship and service.*

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Prelude

“Jesus, What a Beautiful Name”

Tanya Riches

Please stand for the procession; then you may be seated.

Welcome & Announcements

October Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

Thank you to Sandra Giroux for her hard work on the newsletter!

The Word of God

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

Amen.

The Celebrant may say

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.*

Gloria

WLP 821

Glory to God; Praise to the Son;
Love to the Spirit; Three and yet One.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The Lessons

The people sit. The lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

A Reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews (1:1-4; 2:5-12).

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

“What are human beings that you are mindful of them,
or mortals, that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels;
you have crowned them with glory and honor,
subjecting all things under their feet.”

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

“I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

After each Reading, the Reader may say

The Word of the Lord.

***People* Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 26

1 Give judgment for me, O Lord,
for I have lived with integrity; *
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

2 Test me, O Lord, and try me; *
examine my heart and my mind.

- 3 For your love is before my eyes; *
I have walked faithfully with you.
- 4 I have not sat with the worthless, *
nor do I consort with the deceitful.
- 5 I have hated the company of evildoers; *
I will not sit down with the wicked.
- 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, *
that I may go in procession round your altar,
- 7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
- 8 Lord, I love the house in which you dwell *
and the place where your glory abides.
- 9 Do not sweep me away with sinners, *
nor my life with those who thirst for blood,
- 10 Whose hands are full of evil plots, *
and their right hand full of bribes.
- 11 As for me, I will live with integrity; *
redeem me, O Lord, and have pity on me.
- 12 My foot stands on level ground; *
in the full assembly I will bless the Lord.

The Gospel

*Then, all standing, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark (10:2-16).*

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

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

After the Gospel, the Reader says
The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev'd Jennifer D. Beal

The Nicene Creed

All standing, say

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 and the Son.

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

The people may kneel.

Form III, BCP 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 the 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.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**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,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Please stand for the hymn.

The Holy Communion

Offertory hymn

“For the beauty of the earth”

Hymnal 416 (v.1,4,5)

1. For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies.

[Refrain:]
Christ our God, to thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

4. For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild, (Refrain)

5. For the Church which evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
thy pure sacrifice of love, (Refrain)

(text by Folliott Sandford Pierpoint, 1864)

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP p. 361

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and 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 people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

People and Celebrant

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be said

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

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

Please be seated.

Communion hymn one “Surely it is God who saves me” Hymnal 679

1. Surely it is God who saves me;
trusting him, I shall not fear.
For the Lord defends and shields me
and his saving help is near.
So rejoice as you draw water
from salvation’s living spring;
in the day of your deliverance

(text by Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1982)

thank the Lord, his mercies sing.
2. Make his deeds known to the peoples;
tell out his exalted Name.
Praise the Lord, who has done great things;
all his works his might proclaim.
Zion, lift your voice in singing;
for with you has come to dwell,
in your very midst,
the great and Holy One of Israel.

Communion hymn two “Jesus loves me!” LEVAS 218

1. Jesus loves me! this I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak but He is strong.

Refrain:
Yes, Jesus loves me,
Yes, Jesus loves me,
Yes, Jesus loves me,
The Bible tells me so.

2. Jesus loves me! He who died,
Heaven’s gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin,
Let His little child come in. [Refrain]

(text by Anna Bartlett Warner, 1859)

3. Jesus take this heart of mine,
Make it pure and wholly thine;
On the cross you died for me,
I will try to live for thee. [Refrain]

After Communion, please stand as the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our 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.**

The Priest may bless the people.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant dismisses them with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

***People* Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

“New Dialogue”

Jean-Francois Dandrieu

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After the procession retires, you may sit quietly until the usher indicates your exit.

As a way of minimizing touching shared objects, we have placed offering plates in both the front and rear of the church. We are very grateful for your gifts and offerings. You may leave them in the plates as you enter or leave our service of worship.

Thank you for observing physical distancing between households to the best of your ability, and for wearing a mask while inside the building.

Ministers today

Priest-in-charge	The Rev'd Jennifer D. Beal
Lector-in-chief	Mr. Ed Giroux, Co-Warden
Lector	Ms. Jane Kotelly
Prayers of the People	Mr. John Geen
Director of Music and Organist	Mr. Peter Morelli
Singer	Ms. Maria Martin
Acolyte	Mr. Michael Hopkins, Co-Warden
Ushers	Mr. George Cousens
	Ms. Linda Kusnierz
Film Crew (Video)	Ms. Sandra Giroux
	Mr. Ron Desmarais
Film Crew (Audio)	Mr. Mark Komarinski
	Mr. Michael Hopkins, Co-Warden

Meetings in our parish this week

Sunday (Today)	1 pm	Blessing of the Animals at St. Anne's
	3 pm	Blessing of the Animals at Billerica Dog Park
Tuesday	10 am	Bible Study at St. Anne's
	5:15 pm	Clergy and Wardens Meeting
Wednesday	7 pm	Worship Team Meeting

Priest's office hours

Tuesday 12-4 Thursday 2-5

Parish Office hours

Thursday 2-5

October Birthdays and Anniversaries

Amy Desmarais 10/2
Lucy Ann Young 10/5
Yvonne Hopkins 10/6
Sue Kennedy 10/8
Julian Cole 10/19

If you would like your birthday or anniversary to be listed here, so we can pray for you during worship on the first Sunday of that month, please send it in if you think we might not have it! Send to stannesbillerica@gmail.com.

Prayers for the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church in Wales

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Parishes of the South Shore Deanery

Emmanuel Church, Braintree; Grace Chapel, Brockton;

St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset; Brotherhood of St. Andrew; United Interfaith Action

Our Presiding Bishop, Michael; Our Bishops, Alan and Gayle; Our Priest, Jennifer

St. Anne's Prayer List

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others

Barbara Rogers, Cyndi, Dianne Brown, Donald Fudge, Donald Sutton, Sr., Doug Williams,
Elaine Howland, Elaine McLaughlin, Fred Brown, Irene Mouradian, Janet Lyna, Jean Flight,
John Phillips, Jose Torres, Sr., Joseph Pleva, Joshua Young, Kathy Chang, Linda E.,
Marie Figenbaum, Marie Horgan, Mark Figenbaum, Mary Hyatt,
Mary Lander & her daughter Christine, Nicolette Lazar, Norm & MJ Zarella,
Pat McCleave & family, Paul Hamner, Sally DiRocco, Sarah Komarinski, Susan Fader,
Vicki Mahoney

Those fighting Covid-19

Announcements for October 3, 2021

Thank you for remembering our new service start time at 9 am!

Join us for Coffee Hour today in Bixby Hall.

Masks must be worn inside the building and physical distancing between households must be observed—thank you for helping to keep us all safe and healthy!

At home participants in our worship - If you wish to come by church to pick up your own single serving package of communion wafer and wine,
please come on Thursday afternoon 2-5pm.

If that's not convenient, please call the church and leave a message.

**TODAY: We will be having a short Blessing of the Animals service at St. Anne's at 1 pm.
There will be another service at the Billerica Dog Park at 3 pm.**

St. Anne's Thrift Shop will be open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 until 2.

The Social Justice Book Club will be meeting next on Monday, October 11, at 5:30 pm. We will finish reading *To Be a Slave* by Julius Lester. The quote from our last meeting is "things haven't changed as much as we would hope."

An online service for the diocesan community is being organized for Indigenous Peoples' Day, Monday, Oct. 11, at 4 p.m. via Zoom. All are welcome. The diocesan service will be followed by an online screening of two films, "Dawnland" and "Dear Georgina," with live Q&A with the filmmakers, from 7 to 9 p.m. For more information and to find the Zoom link, go here:
<https://www.diomass.org/event/indigenous-peoples-day-gathering-film-program>

The Cathedral Church of St. Paul will host a Multicultural Celebration of Gratitude on October 16 from 4-7 pm. Join with friends both near and far to celebrate God's gift of gratitude through food, music, worship, prayers, and story sharing. We will honor three United Thank Offering grant recipients in the Diocese of Massachusetts: ProGente Connections in Framingham, St. Stephen's Youth Programs in the South End of Boston, and the MANNA community in our very own St. Paul's Cathedral. Register with link below!

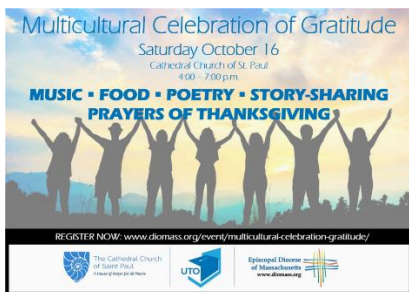
All proceeds from this event will be donated to UTO to be redistributed as part of next year's grant awards.

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07eif6u6xz5582d1c8&llr=s4blzbbab>

Beginning on Friday, November 5th, we will be holding Parish Film Nights at 7 pm on the first Friday of each month, hosted by the Social Justice Subcommittee of the Vestry. We will begin by introducing videos from Presiding Bishop Michael Curry.

Please make sure that you are informing Jayleigh (stannesbillerica@gmail.com) of your group's scheduled meetings, so that they can be included on our parish calendar and in the bulletin!

If you wish to put an announcement in the bulletin, please send it to our office before Wednesday evening.



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