

St. Anne's Episcopal Church
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The Last Sunday after Pentecost
Christ the King
Service of Holy Eucharist



November 21, 2021
9:00 am

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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

“Give Thanks”

Henry Smith

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

Welcome & Announcements

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, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The Lessons

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

A Reading from the Book of Revelation (1:4b-8).

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

After each Reading, the Reader may say

The Word of the Lord.

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

The Psalm

Psalm 132:1-13 (14-19)

- 1 Lord, remember David, *
and all the hardships he endured;
- 2 How he swore an oath to the Lord *
and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:
- 3 "I will not come under the roof of my house," *
nor climb up into my bed;
- 4 I will not allow my eyes to sleep, *
nor let my eyelids slumber;
- 5 Until I find a place for the Lord, *
a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."
- 6 "The ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; *
we found it in the fields of Jearim.

- 7 Let us go to God's dwelling place; *
let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."
- 8 Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place, *
you and the ark of your strength.
- 9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; *
let your faithful people sing with joy.
- 10 For your servant David's sake, *
do not turn away the face of your Anointed.
- 11 The Lord has sworn an oath to David; *
in truth, he will not break it:
- 12 "A son, the fruit of your body *
will I set upon your throne.
- 13 If your children keep my covenant
and my testimonies that I shall teach them, *
their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."
- 14 [For the Lord has chosen Zion; *
he has desired her for his habitation:
- 15 "This shall be my resting-place for ever; *
here will I dwell, for I delight in her.
- 16 I will surely bless her provisions, *
and satisfy her poor with bread.
- 17 I will clothe her priests with salvation, *
and her faithful people will rejoice and sing.
- 18 There will I make the horn of David flourish; *
I have prepared a lamp for my Anointed.
- 19 As for his enemies, I will clothe them with shame; *
but as for him, his crown will shine."]

The Gospel

*Then, all standing, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John (18:33-37).*

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

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

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

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, especially_____.

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.*

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord, remaining in your pew as you signal a gesture of peace to one another.

The Holy Communion

Offertory hymn

“We gather together”

Hymnal 433

1 We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;
2 Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,
3 We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - um - phant,

he chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known;
or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine;
and pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.

the wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing:
so from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning:
Let thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion:

sing prais - es to his Name; he for - gets not his own.
 thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glo - ry be thine!
 thy Name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

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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...

...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. A minister will come to you with a single serving package of Communion wafer and wine, and a napkin. If you do not wish to receive, you may cross your arms over your chest. After you have received, please place your empty package and napkin in the basket that an usher will bring to you.

Please be seated.

Communion hymn one

“Break Thou the Bread of Life”

LEVAS 146

1. Break thou the bread of life,
Dear Lord, to me,
As thou didst break the loaves
Beside the sea;
Beyond the sacred page
I seek thee, Lord;
My spirit pants for thee,
O living word!

2. Bless thou the truth, dear Lord,
To me, to me,
As thou didst bless the bread
By Galilee;
Then shall all bondage cease,
All fetters fall,
And I shall find my peace,
My all in all.

3. Teach me to live, dear Lord,
Only for thee,
As thy disciples lived
in Galilee;
Then, all my struggles o'er,
Then, vict'ry won,
I shall behold thee, Lord,
The living one.
(text by Mary A. Lathbury, 1877)

Communion hymn two

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

LEVAS 79

1. Jesus, lover of my soul,
Let me to thy bosom fly,
While nearer waters roll,
While tempest still is high;
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,
Till the storm of life be past;
Safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.

2. Other refuge have I none,
Hangs my helpless soul on thee;
Leave, ah! Leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me!
All my trust on thee is stayed;
All my help from thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head
With the shadow of thy wing.

3. Plenteous grace with thee is found,
Grace to cleanse from ev'ry sin;
Let the healing streams abound,
Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art,
Freely let me take of thee:
Spring thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity.
(text by Charles Wesley, 1740)

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 "We Gather Together" Netherlands Folk Melody

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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

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| Priest-in-charge | The Rev'd Jennifer D. Beal |
| Lector-in-chief | Mr. Edward Giroux, Co-Warden |
| Lector | Mr. Mark Komarinski |
| Prayers of the People | Ms. Michele O'Shea |
| Director of Music and Organist | Mr. Peter Morelli |
| Singer | Ms. Maria Martin |
| Acolyte | Ms. Brenda Komarinski |
| Ushers | Mr. Michael Hopkins, Co-Warden |
| | Mr. Ken Kinser |
| Film Crew (Video) | Ms. Rosemary Kinser |
| | Ms. Sandra Giroux |
| Film Crew (Audio) | Mr. Ron Desmarais |
| | Mr. Mark Komarinski |
| | Mr. Michael Hopkins, Co-Warden |

Meetings in our parish this week

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| Sunday (Nov. 21) | 11 am | Social Justice Subcommittee of the Vestry Meeting |
| Monday | 5:30 pm | Social Conscience Book Club Meeting |
| Tuesday | 10 am | Bible Study at St. Anne's |
| | 7 pm | Bible Study on Zoom |

Priest's office hours

Tuesday 12-4

Parish Office hours

Tuesday 2-5

Prayers for the Last Sunday after Pentecost

November 21, 2021

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of Bangladesh

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Parishes of the Taunton River Deanery

Bristol Trinity Episcopal Church, North Easton; St. Thomas' Church, Taunton;
Trinity Church, Wrentham; Diocesan Mission Hubs; Episcopal Marriage Encounter; Cursillo;
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

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

Announcements for November 21, 2021

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 – please let us know if you would like to come by the church to pick up your own single serving package of communion wafer and wine. Also, let us know if you would like to receive information about making pledges or donations.

Next Sunday, November 28, is the first Sunday of Advent. Advent wreath lighting (with poetry, singing, and prose) begins on Tuesday, November 30, from 7 to 7:20 pm, and continues each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evening through the season of Advent.

Christmas has arrived at the thrift shop.

Shop hours are Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10AM until 2PM.

Our church has been asked to donate canned cranberry sauce for the Billerica Community Pantry holiday distributions.

We are looking to collect 500 cans total, for distributions in November and December. Please bring your cans to church and place them in the labeled donation bins.

Send your December newsletter articles to Jayleigh by Monday, November 22. The deadline is a little bit early this month because of Thanksgiving.

The Small but Mighty church of St. Anne's has again chosen to support the House of Hope as the recipient of our 2021 Angel Tree efforts. Our admins of Realm have set up an Angel Tree giving option within Realm to make giving easy. If you prefer the cash method, please feel free to see Sandra Giroux after church, or leave an envelope in the donation basket (please mark it as Angel Tree).

The Social Conscience Book Club will be meeting on Monday, November 22, at 5:30 pm. Please come and see what we are learning. No need to have read the chapters that we are discussing. We are currently reading *After Lincoln: How the North Won the War and Lost the Peace*.

Men's Breakfast Saturday November 27th at Deli King Restaurant, 885 Main Street in Tewksbury. Men's breakfast is 8:30 am on the 4th Saturday of every month. Everyone is welcome (cash only).

The next Social Justice Committee Movie night is December 3 at 7pm. We will be watching the 52-minute film *More Than A Month*. See you there!

In January 2022 a small spiritual community focused on studying our faith and exploring what the "priesthood (or ministry) of all believers" means to us as individual laypersons is hoping to meet. EfM (Education for Ministry) is an ecumenical, Episcopal Church-affiliated program. The group will be meeting via Zoom, hopefully with some opportunities for in-person participation. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Marguerite Massey.

At the annual meeting of the Episcopal City Mission, the keynote speaker gave a call to every parish to acknowledge the people whose lands we are on, as well as the local history of our own involvement in the enslavement of fellow humans. To quote from Byron Rushing's speech, "It is a simple, profound, gracious telling and reminder of the truth." I have started looking into the local indigenous history of Billerica so that we can form our own statement of acknowledgement. This research can be difficult as records were rarely taken and the indigenous people were moved or killed off.

If you are interested in participating in this research, please let me know.

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The date for our Annual Meeting has been set for Sunday, January 30, 2022, after the morning service. We hope that it can be in person this winter!

If you see any problems with the facilities that need to be addressed, please let us know! Something broken, something not cleaned or something out of place Contact Mike Hopkins, Ed Giroux, Jayleigh or Mother Jennifer and report what you see.

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