ST JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - WALPOLE, NH

Sunday, October 20, 2024, 10 am - Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY COMMUNION

PRELUDE Nocturne from String Quartet # 2 by A. Borodin Vladimir Odinokikh

WELCOME

THE WORD OF GOD

ENTRANCE HYMN O worship the King, all glorious above Hymnal 388 v 1-3

All stand as able

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

Song of Praise Glory to God Hymnal S-280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

Job 38:1-7, 34-41

People may be seated while Lector reads.

A Reading from Job.

Job said:

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.
Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?
On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone
when the morning stars sang together
and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

"Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you?

Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, 'Here we are'?

Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind?

Who has the wisdom to number the clouds?

Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together?

"Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert?

Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:1-9, 25, 37B

Lector and people read responsively by half verse.

- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul; *
 - O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness! you are clothed with majesty and splendor.
- 2 You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak * and spread out the heavens like a curtain.
- 3 You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above; * you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind.
- 4 You make the winds your messengers * and flames of fire your servants.
- 5 You have set the earth upon its foundations, * so that it never shall move at any time.
- 6 You covered it with the Deep as with a mantle; * the waters stood higher than the mountains.

7 At your rebuke they fled; *

at the voice of your thunder they hastened away.

- 8 They went up into the hills and down to the valleys beneath, * to the places you had appointed for them.
- 9 You set the limits that they should not pass; * they shall not again cover the earth.
- 25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! * in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

37b Hallelujah!

THE SECOND READING
Hebrews 5:1-10

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,

today I have begotten you";

as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN When I survey the wondrous cross Hymnal 474 v 1,4

Gospel Mark 10:35-45

People stand to hear the gospel.

The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

The gospel of the Lord Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY The Rev. Fred Chisolm

THE CREED

After a time of reflection, all stand as they are able

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 LEM and people pray responsively. People remain standing if able.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation:

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble. Especially Judy Levison, Sara Crosby, Matt Pinson, Jessie McKenzie, Bob and Maryann Lindberg, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Brianna Miller, Rebecca Cooper, Avery, Doug Barnes, John Tuttle, Mary Lou Montgomery, and Peggy Pschirrer.

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God, for St. James' Episcopal Church, Laconia, and for peace on earth: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Rob our Bishop, Fred our Priest, and Bill our Deacon; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord:

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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. People may greet one another from their seats

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. Psalm 50:14

The congregation may be seated as the Offering is received.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest

Hymnal 306

DOXOLOGY

All stand.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 him thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

The people stand or kneel

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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

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

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome at the Lord's table. If you wish a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are available; let the priest know at the altar that you'd like one.

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **Amen**.





POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

People stand as they are able

Let us pray.

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.

BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Hymnal 460 v 1,2,4

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Please be seated and wait to begin greeting one another until after the postlude.

POSTLUDE Extract from London Symphony by J. Haydn

Vladimir Odinokikh

WORKING TOGETHER AT ST. JOHN'S

	This Sunday	Next Sunday
Celebrant:	The Rev. Frederick Chisolm	The Rev. Frederick Chisolm
Rector:	The Rev. Frederick Chisolm	The Rev. Frederick Chisolm
Deacon	The Rev. Deacon Bill Clark	The Rev. Deacon Bill Clark
Organist:	Vladimir Odinokikh	Vladimir Odinokikh
Acolyte:	Conor O'Donnell	Conor O'Donnell
LEM	Josh Beer	Drew Street
Lector(s)	Jane & Chuck Loomis	Bill & Lynne Reed
Altar Guild	Karen Proctor	Lisa Cuoco
Flowers	Dot Herr & Linda O'Donnell	Lisa Cuoco
Ushers	Joe Cuoco & Al Sparks	Eric Herr & Chuck Loomis
Counters	Mary Schoppmeyer & Kathie Clark	Lisa Cuoco & Linda O'Donnell
Hospitality	Jane & Chuck Loomis	Lynne & Bill Reed

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMING EVENTS

CPR & AED Training – Today

Today after Coffee Hour, the Vestry and Ushers plus other interested members are invited for training on how to use our new AED (located in the Parish Hall) and how to do CPR. This will be an abbreviated hands-on class and will not include certification. We want to thank the Walpole Fire Department and EMS for providing this free training.

Stewardship – Thinking about Outreach

Jesus calls us to take care of those who need help. All the other expenses we've talked about during the last few weeks are how we ensure we'll be here to keep reaching out to those who need us. There are three ways that we accumulate money for outreach: contributions from members designated for certain purposes, designated contributions from non-members, and it is part of our budget (\$2,000 in 2024). Contributions from members and others are always used as the donor designates. The money in the budget is controlled by the Vestry who makes donations as requested by the Outreach Committee. So far this year our contributions include \$1,642.65 for Fall Mountain Food Shelf and \$1,500 for Ukraine.

Stewardship Celebration Potluck

Stewardship continues through November 3rd. That day we will bless all the pledges and have a celebration potluck lunch – our pledges will keep St. John's healthy. Please sign list (back table in the church) so we know how many to plan for and so we know what food to expect.

Christmas Fair (Sat, Nov. 23rd) - Organizing with Sign-up Genius

We are all so busy this year, but St. John's counts on the income from the Christmas Fair. Maryann Lindberg set up <u>Sign-up Genius</u> to help us get organized. The link will be active in the weekly email. If you would like help with the app or you would rather sign up without having to go online, please see Maryann at Coffee Hour. In particular please:

- place crafts and jewelry you'd like to pass on in the lined basket in the Parish Hall
- bring antiques and leave them in the Library on the cubbies
- bake cookies and other foods
- sign up to pre-bake and decorate cookies on Tues, Nov 19th

Fall Mountain Food Shelf Support – Please Help

People are shopping from the Fabulous Finds table which is wonderful – more income for Fall Mountain Food Shelf. The problem is we need more nice items to sell. As you do your fall cleaning, please bring treasures you can part with so we will have a good variety of items. Thanks for helping Fall Mountain feed our neighbors.

Fall Mountain Food Shelf

During October we will focus on canned meat (tuna and chicken), rice and pasta. These are frequently requested items. Betsy McGuire is our Fall Mountain Food Shelf Coordinator.

Our Priest in Charge: The Rev. Fred Chisolm can be reached at (802) 649-6495 (cell) or via email at rector@StJohnsWalpole.org.

St. John's Vestry 2024: Marilyn Wilking (Senior Warden), Drew Street (Junior Warden), Sue Bauer (Treasurer), Linda O'Donnell (Clerk), Alison Brule, Joe Cuoco, and Chuck Loomis. Both wardens may be reached at info@StJohnsWalpole.org.