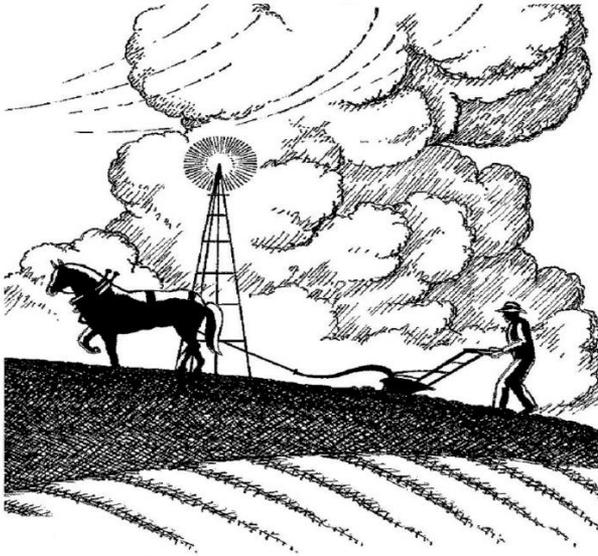


THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PROPER 8

JUNE 26, 2022 – 10:00 AM



**No one who puts a hand to the
plow and looks back is fit for
the kingdom of God.**

Luke 9:62, NRSV

ST. GABRIEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

“Learning and Doing the Work of Jesus”

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn - #525 "The Church's One Foundation"



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,
4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war
5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,



1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:
2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;
4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;
5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.



1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,
5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we



1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.
5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.



Words: Samuel John Stone (1839-1900) Music: *Aurelia*, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People **One God and Father of all.**
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson - 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So, the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

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

Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20

- 1 I will cry aloud to God; *
 I will cry aloud, and he will hear me.
- 2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; *
 my hands were stretched out by night and did not
 tire; I refused to be comforted.
- 11 I will remember the works of the LORD, *
 and call to mind your wonders of old time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your acts *
 and ponder your mighty deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is holy; *
 who is so great a god as our God?
- 14 You are the God who works wonders*
 and have declared your power among the peoples.

- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your people, *
the children of Jacob and Joseph.
- 16 The waters saw you, O God;
the waters saw you and trembled; *
the very depths were shaken.
- 17 The clouds poured out water;
the skies thundered; *
your arrows flashed to and fro;
- 18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;
your lightnings lit up the world; *
the earth trembled and shook.
- 19 Your way was in the sea,
and your paths in the great waters, *
yet your footsteps were not seen.
- 20 You led your people like a flock *
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

The Second Lesson – Galatians 5:1, 13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy,

drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

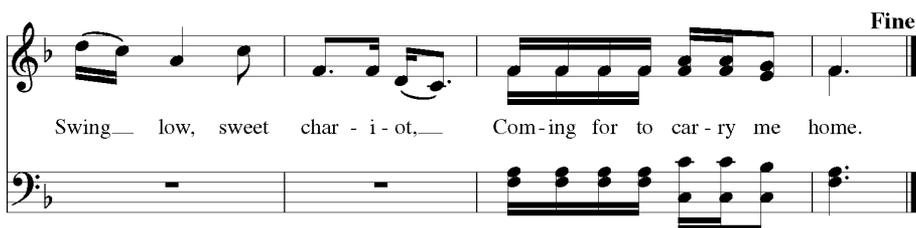
Reader **The Word of the Lord.**

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #LEVAS 18 “Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”



Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, Com - ing for to car - ry me home.



Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, Com - ing for to car - ry me home. Fine



1. I looked o - ver Jor - dan, and what did I see
2. If you get there be - fore I do,
3. The bright - est day that ev - er I saw
4. I'm some - times up and some - times down,

1. Com-ing for to car-ry me home. A band of an-gels
 2. Com-ing for to car-ry me home. Tell all my friends I'm
 3. Com-ing for to car-ry me home. When Je-sus wash'd my
 4. Com-ing for to car-ry me home. But still my soul feels

D.C.

1. com-ing af-ter me, Com-ing for to car-ry me home. O,
 2. com-ing too, Com-ing for to car-ry me home. O,
 3. sins a-way, Com-ing for to car-ry me home. O,
 4. heaven-ly bound, Com-ing for to car-ry me home. O,

The Gospel – Luke 9:51-62

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom

of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Andrew VanBuren, Rector

A period of silence follows the homily for reflection and silent prayer.

HOLY BAPTISM

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The parents and godparents say

I present Miles and McKenzie Simchick to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that these children you present are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help these children to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and godparents

I will, with God's help.

The Celebrant then asks the following questions of parents and godparents who speak on behalf of these children

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

The Celebrant then addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their life in Christ?

***People* We will!**

The Celebrant then says

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **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.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People **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.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and
fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the
prayers?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and,
whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to
the Lord?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the
Good News of God in Christ?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons,
loving your neighbor as yourself?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all
people, and respect the dignity of every human
being?
People **I will, with God's help.**

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these children who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Prayers for the Candidate

Leader Deliver Miles and McKenzie, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach Miles and McKenzie to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Then the Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over Water

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying,

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

The Celebrant pours water upon the candidate, saying

Miles Simchick / McKenzie Simchick, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross using oil and saying

Miles / McKenzie, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands,
Lord use our lives; they are Yours.

We are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be
We give to You, we give to You.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You
We are an offering. We are an offering.

We Are an Offering lyrics © Warner Chappell Music, Inc

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer D, p. 372

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 God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Sanctus – S129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy universal and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with Gabriel and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

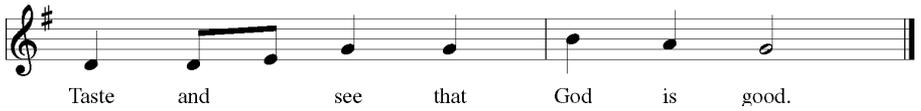
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For 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!**

Fraction Anthem

1. All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na
 is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring.
 Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for
 days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.



Invitation

The Celebrant invites everyone to Communion using these words
 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.

Communion

Everyone is welcome to receive Communion at St. Gabriel's. Please come up to the front of the church, where you will receive a wafer of bread and will be offered a chalice of wine. If you would like to receive the wine, please intinct (dip) the wafer in the wine, making sure that your fingers do not touch the wine. If you do not want to receive the wine, cross your arms over your chest as you move to the chalice bearer. Then please return to your seat by the side aisles.

Communion Hymn – #655 “O Jesus, I Have Promised”



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;
 2 O let me hear thee speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,
 3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom - ised to all who fol - low thee,



be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;
 that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;



I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard - ian of my soul.
 O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Post-Communion Prayer

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.**

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of God's son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn—LEVAS 136 “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus!”

I have decided to follow Jesus,
 I have decided to follow Jesus,
 I have decided to follow Jesus,
 No turning back, no turning back.

Though no one join me, still I will follow,
 Though no one join me, still I will follow,
 Though no one join me, still I will follow,
 No turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me,
 The world behind me, the cross before me,
 The world behind me, the cross before me,
 No turning back, no turning back.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia,
alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Postlude

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***WE WELCOME MILES AND MCKENZIE SIMCHICK TO
OUR ST. GABRIEL'S FAMILY!***

***WE THANK JACKIE WILSON FOR BEING OUR ORGANIST FOR THIS
SERVICE***

ST. GABRIEL'S PARISH PRAYER LIST

30-Day Prayer List: Ann Burgy; Eleanor Merkel; Rose Strange; Linda Wray

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WE PRAY FOR Hopewell Love; Common Ground Recovery Community; Good Shepherd Learning Center.

IN OUR PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYER, we pray for Nancy Litka; George & Florence Mano; Lisa Maynard; Mary Mazzoni.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER, we pray for the clergy and people of Christ Church in Susquehanna.

IN OUR ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER, we pray for the clergy and people of The Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan.

IN THE DIOCESE OF KAJO-KEJI in South Sudan, we pray for the clergy and people of St. Paul Kasarak Parish.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Blaine & Marilyn Rittenhouse in thanksgiving for their life together, family & all their blessings.

THE BULLETIN is sponsored by Lindalee Blohm in memory of her mother, Dolores Blohm.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE is given by the Amstutz Family in memory of Peter's father.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✦ **Keep Saving those Redner's Tapes** The last batch netted \$230 for Hopewell Love. Drop them in the box on the hall windowsill near the coat rack!

✦ **SEVERAL SPONSORSHIPS OPEN!** Remembering, celebrating, giving thanks; these are all opportunities to become a sponsor for the bulletins, the candle or the altar flowers. Let Barb Hannevig know the details. **Please note:** Your sponsorship is ongoing on the Sunday closest to the date available until you tell us otherwise. **Thank you!**

✦ **Deodorant still needed!** We are still collecting deodorant for folks in need. Please drop your donations in the basket at the back of the church by July 3rd.

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