

Worship from St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
Richmond, Virginia
June 14, 2020
The Second Sunday after Pentecost
(Proper 6)

WELCOME

The Rev. William S. Stanley, Vicar

GLORY TO YOU

Setting by John Rutter

St. Stephen's Virtual Choir

Brent te Velde, organ

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Clarkie Ackerly

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

David Shuford

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

Romans 5:1-8

Anne Pinion

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 9:35-10:8

Al Albiston

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

THE HOMILY

Blake Singer, Youth Minister

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Excerpt from “The Lord is my shepherd” by Bob Chilcott

Brent te Velde, piano

THE NICENE CREED

Setting by Calvin Hampton

Kelsey Snyder, James Smith-Parham, Martha Prewitt

Brent te Velde, organ

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Susan Wilkes

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM I

Cherry Jones, Arden Locher, Sue Wootton, Joan Putney, Mary Lee, Ben Nelson

THE PEACE

Kate Mitchell

HYMN 599

Lift every voice and sing

St. Stephen's Virtual Choir

Brent te Velde, organ

CLOSING

Read by Kilpy Singer

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Music for Meditation: excerpt from "The Lord is My Shepherd" by Bob Chilcott, used with permission of the composer

The Prayers of the People, Form I, from the Book of Common Prayer

Glory to you, S-236, The Hymnal 1982; setting by John Rutter

Nicene Creed, S-105, The Hymnal 1982; setting by Calvin Hampton

Hymn 599, Lift every voice, The Hymnal 1982; words: James Weldon Johnson;

music: J. Rosamond Johnson

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