

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 16, 2020

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
Richmond, Virginia

WELCOME

Benita Miller, St. Stephen's vestry member

OPENING HYMN

Hymn 460

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, *Hyrfydol*

St. Stephen's Virtual Choir

Brent te Velde, organ

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Sean Carithers

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Keith Dull

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 15:21-28

Eliza Wilson

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

THE HOMILY

The Rev. Cate Anthony

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

We walk by faith, *St. Botolph* (Hymn 209)

Brent te Velde, piano

THE NICENE CREED

Setting by Calvin Hampton

Malcolm Hines, Stephanie Hill Blackwood, Abby Outlaw, Brent te Velde

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ainsley Hawks

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Church of Ireland

The Rev. Will Stanley, Madeleine Carithers, Paul Bullock, Betsy Bullock, Beth Carithers

We give thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially the births of

Charlotte Grace Wilkinson, daughter of
Elizabeth Campbell Tucker and Tyler Wilkinson
Granddaughter of Stanley H. and Cynthia Tucker
Great-granddaughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. William T. Tucker
Born July 14, 2020

Blair Carter Boze, son of
Austin and Alycia Boze
Born August 5, 2020

We remember all who have died, especially
Mildred H. Gretz
July 15, 1926-July 12, 2020

CLOSING ANTHEM

“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”

Harold Friedell

St. Stephen’s Virtual Choir

Greg Vick, organ

THE PEACE

Hayes Carithers

CLOSING

“Morning Poem” by Mary Oliver

Images of the Canaanite/Syro-Phoenician Woman and Jesus

Poem read by Allison Seay

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Hymn 460, Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; *Hyfrydol*; from The Hymnal 1982

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Music for Meditation: Hymn 209, We walk by faith and not by sight; *St. Botolph*; from The Hymnal 1982; Brent te Velde, piano

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

Prayers of the People from the Book of Common Prayer of the Church of Ireland

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