



# The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Baptism

St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church  
September 20, 2020

## The Word of God

**Celebrant** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**People** And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**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**

## Collect of the Day

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.  
**People** **And also with you.**  
**Celebrant** Let us pray.  
Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## Psalm

*Psalm 145:1-8*

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, \*  
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you \*  
and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; \*  
there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another \*  
and shall declare your power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty \*  
and all your marvelous works.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,  
\*  
and I will tell of your greatness.
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great  
goodness; \*  
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.

## The Second Reading

*Philippians 1:21-30*

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

*After the Reading, the Reader says* The Word of the Lord

People            Thanks be to God

## The Gospel Reading

*Matthew 20:1-16*

*Before proclaiming the Gospel, the Priest says*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

*After the Gospel, the Priest says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Sermon

## The Baptism

### Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

**Lillian Margaret Tucker**

**Caroline Faith Tucker**

**Celebrant**      The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

**Parents**

**Godparents**      We present Lillian and Caroline to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*The Celebrant asks the parents and godparents*

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

**Parents**

**Godparents** I will, with God's help.

**Celebrant** Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

**Parents**

**Godparents** I will, with God's help.

*Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger 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 the 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 addresses the congregation, saying*

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

**All** We will.

**Celebrant** 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.

## Prayers for the Candidates

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*

Let us now pray for Lillian and Caroline who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*A Person appointed leads the following petitions*

**Leader** Deliver *them*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.  
**All** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Leader** Open *their* heart to your grace and truth.  
**All** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Leader** Fill Lillian and Caroline with your holy and life-giving Spirit.  
**All** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Leader** Keep *them* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.  
**All** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Leader** Teach *them* to love others in the power of the Spirit.  
**All** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Leader** Send *them* into the world in witness to your love.  
**All** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Leader** Bring Caroline and Lillian to the fullness of your peace and glory.  
**All** Lord, hear our prayer.

*The Celebrant prays*

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 for ever. *Amen.*

## Thanksgiving over the Water

*The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying*

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

**Celebrant** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**Celebrant** 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.

*The Celebrant touches the water*

**Celebrant** 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 then immerses or pours water upon the candidate, saying*

**Celebrant** N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant, Lincoln, the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

*The Celebrant places a hand on the candidate's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross, using Chrism if desired, saying:*

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

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**All crucified,** We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ  
proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

## The Peace

**Celebrant** The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**All** And also with you.

## The Offertory

*Beneath the Waters (I Will Rise)*

## The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving  
Eucharistic Prayer B

**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.

**Celebrant** 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 sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**All** 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.

**Celebrant** We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

**All** Therefore, according to his command, O Father,  
We remember his death.  
We proclaim his resurrection.  
We await his coming in glory.

**Celebrant** And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.**

**Celebrant** As our savior Christ taught us, we now pray  
**All** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Breaking and Sharing of the Bread

**Celebrant** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
**People** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*All who are baptized, regardless of age or denomination are welcome to receive communion at the Lord's table. If you are not baptized, or prefer not to receive, you may come forward for a blessing. To indicate that you would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Please know that there is real wine in the cup; you do not have to receive both bread and wine in order to participate in communion. If you would like to talk about baptism for yourself or a child, please speak to Mtr. Tracey. If you need communion brought to you in your pew, please let one of the ushers know.*

## Post Communion Prayer

**Celebrant** Let us pray  
**All** 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**

**Closing Song**  
*Overflow*

**Dismissal**

*The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Don & Belinda King in love and appreciation to our church family at St. Michael's. We have truly seen Christ as you ministered to us through your incredible friendship, your spiritual nurturing, and your steadfastness to expand the kingdom of God. Each of you will hold a special place in our hearts.*

*The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by John Dawes in celebration of the Birthdays of Mary Lynn Dawes & Robyn Murphy*

## Prayer Requests

Healing: Becky, Lorraine, Pete, Margie

To submit a prayer request,  
send an email with your request to: [prayer@smaalongview.org](mailto:prayer@smaalongview.org)

\*\* Emailed prayer requests are received by all who've signed up for the SMAA prayer chain. This community of prayer is committed to holding up our needs and thanksgivings to God whenever they are shared. TO JOIN IN THIS IMPORTANT MINISTRY, JUST SEND A REQUEST TO [SMAA@SMAALONGVIEW.ORG](mailto:SMAA@SMAALONGVIEW.ORG) ASKING TO BE A PART OF THE PRAYER CHAIN. \*\*

## Birthdays this month

1st: Margot Lindsey Jackson	11th: David Brown	23rd: Amanda Nail
1st: Jay Ramo	18th: Matthew Burke	23rd: Kyle Glave
2nd: Michael Buckner	19th: Ethan Bohnsack	24th: Caroline Tucker
3rd: Ruby Hahne	19th: Robyn Murphy	26th: Lillian Tucker
4th: Gloria Richards	19th: Roxanne Brink	27th: Helen Daniel
5th: Jane Hale	21st: Grace Richardson	28th: Regina Nesbitt
6th: Rhys Duncalfe	21st: Mary Lynn Dawes	

## Announcements



We want to say farewell to the King family. They are moving at the end of this month. They have been members of SMAA since 1996. We want to wish you both much joy & happiness as your family begins a new chapter. We send lots of love and will always miss you both.



If you would like to donate the flowers for any Sunday, please email your dedication to [christina@smaalongview.org](mailto:christina@smaalongview.org). *Suggested donation: \$25.00*. Please indicate "Altar Flowers" on your check. Place check in offering plate.



We need Volunteers to help live stream the services. Contact Mother Tracey if interested

## Stewardship Update

DATE	GIVING	BUDGET	ABOVE/BELOW
09/06/20	\$1,492	\$3,065	-\$1,573
09/13/20	\$2,231	\$3,065	-\$834
YTD TOTALS	\$92,994	\$113,399	-\$20,405