

# ST. JAMES HOUSE OF PRAYER EPISCOPAL CHURCH TAMPA, FL

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 23)  
October 11, 2020

## THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Devotional Song

*The Spirit is A-Movin'*

by Carey Landry

Capo 2: D G/D D

Alto/Bass

Soprano  
Tenor

The Spir - it is a - mov - in' all o - ver, all

4 C D G/D D

o - ver this land.

Verses

7 D G/D

1. Peo - ple are gath - er - in', the church is born; the

9 D C D G/D D

Spir - it is a - blow - in' on a world re - born.

13 D G/D

2. Old ones are dream - ing dreams, and

15 D C D G/D D

young men and wom - en see the light.

19 D G/D D  
 3. Old walls are fall - ing down, \_ and peo - ple all o - ver are

22 C D G/D D  
 speak - ing with each oth - er.

25 D G/D  
 4. Filled with the Spir - it we are sent to serve. \_ We are

27 D C D G/D D  
 called out to - geth - er, we are called to work.

31 D G/D  
 5. The Spir - it fills \_ us all with pow'r, to

34 D C D G/D D  
 be God's wit - ness - es to all we meet.

Opening Song

*O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

by Jacques Berthier

(♩ = 72) Em Em/D Am/C D G/B C F/A B

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, an - swer me. O

Em Em/D Am/C D Em/G Fmaj7/A B Em

Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me.

Congregation: Unison or parts

*Officiant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**The Collect for Purity** (*in unison*)

**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.**

**Canticle of Praise: Gloria in excelsis** (*in unison*)

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
 Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
 we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
 For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
 you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
 in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**The Collect of the Day**

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

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**The First Reading**

**Exodus 32:1-14**

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this

people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.”

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, “O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’” And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 106: 1-6, 19-23** (*in unison*)

**1 Hallelujah!**

**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, \*  
for his mercy endures for ever.**

**2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord \*  
or show forth all his praise?**

**3 Happy are those who act with justice \*  
and always do what is right!**

**4 Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people, \*  
and visit me with your saving help;**

**5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect  
and be glad with the gladness of your people, \*  
that I may glory with your inheritance.**

**6 We have sinned as our forebears did; \*  
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.**

**19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb \*  
and worshiped a molten image;**

**20 And so they exchanged their Glory \*  
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.**

**21 They forgot God their Savior, \*  
who had done great things in Egypt,**

**22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, \*  
and fearful things at the Red Sea.**

**23 So he would have destroyed them,  
had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, \*  
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.**

## The Epistle Reading

**Philippians 4:1-9**

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Sequence Song

*Speak, Lord, I'm Listening*

*lyrics on screen*

## The Holy Gospel

**Matthew 22:1-14**

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

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

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Sermon

The Rev'd Dcn. Lynn Grinnell

*After the Sermon, we take a few moments to reflect on God's word to us.*

**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 (*sung*)**

*lyrics on screen*

*In the silence which follows each petition, you are welcome to add your own intercessions: in the silence of your heart, aloud in your home, or (if watching the live stream) by typing them in the chat window.*

**The Confession of Sin and Absolution**

BCP, 360

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Deacon and People*

**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.**

*Officiant* 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**

*Officiant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

The Officiant says a sentence from Scripture to begin the Offertory. An anthem or music may follow.

*All are encouraged to make an offering in thanksgiving for all the blessings God has bestowed.  
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or by texting **sjhop** to 73256,  
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**Offertory Anthem**

*I Give Myself Away* by Sam Hinn & William McDonnell  
performed by Maisie Reddy and Julius James

*Officiant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing:

**The Lord's Prayer** (*sung*)

*words on screen*

**THE SENDING OUT OF THE LORD'S PEOPLE**

**The Blessing** (*pronounced by the Priest; the People respond, Amen.*)

**Closing Song**

*Soon and Very Soon*

**LEVAS, 14**

1. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,  
2. No more cry - in' there we are goin' to see the King,  
3. No more dy - in' there we are goin' to see the King,  
4. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King;

1. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,  
2. No more cry - in' there we are goin' to see the King,  
3. No more dy - in' there we are goin' to see the King,  
4. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King;

1. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,  
2. No more cry - in' there we are goin' to see the King,  
3. No more dy - in' there we are goin' to see the King,  
4. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King;

Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

1.2. | 3.4.

Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah.

## The Dismissal

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

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



## Please remember in your prayers:

Fr. Al Chapman  
Mitch Leggett  
Lucia Frett  
Ann-Marie Greenlee

Camden Agboglo  
Michelle Mentis  
Denise Andretta  
Anna Valdes

Lydia Williams  
Wayne Kennedy  
Maria & Kiah  
Julius James

## Please give thanks for those celebrating this week:

**Birthdays:** Ronald Cherry 10/11, Carlene Raymond 10/13, Bella Lester 10/13

**Anniversaries:** George & Bernice Hodges 10/11, Morris & Sara Kennedy 10/16

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