

**ST. JAMES HOUSE OF PRAYER
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
TAMPA, FL
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 16)
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THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Devotional Song

Majesty

by Jack W. Hayford

Ma - jes - ty, wor - ship His ma - jes - ty, un - to
Je - sus be all glo - ry, pow - er and praise.
Ma - jes - ty, king - dom au - thor - i - ty, flow from His
throne un - to His own, His an - them raise! So ex -
alt, lift up on high the name of Je - sus. Mag - ni -
fy, come glo - ri - fy Christ Je - sus the King.
Ma - jes - ty, wor - ship His ma - jes - ty, Je - sus who
died, now glo - ri - fied, King of all Kings.

Opening Song

Glorify Thy Name

$\text{♩} = 100$

C Dm G F/G G7

1. Fa -ther, we love Thee, we praise Thee, we a
 2. Je -sus, we love Thee, we praise Thee, we a

C C F C/G G7

-dore Thee. Glo -ri -fy Thy name in all the
 -dore Thee. Glo -ri -fy Thy name in all the

C G7 C

earth. -- Glo -ri -fy Thy
 earth. -- Glo -ri -fy Thy

F E7 Am Fm6

name. Glo -ri -fy Thy name.
 name. Glo -ri -fy Thy name.

C/G Dm7 F/G G7 C F/C

Glo -ri -fy Thy name in all the earth.
 Glo -ri -fy Thy name in all the earth.

C C Dm

-- Spi -rit we love Thee, we

G F/G G7 C C

praise Thee, we a -dore Thee. Glo -ri -fy Thy

F C/G G7 C G7

name in all the earth. --

Hymn continues next page

The musical score consists of three staves of music in a single system. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), F4 (half), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter). Chord symbols above are C, F, Bdim7, and E7. The second staff continues with notes: G4 (half), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), F4 (half), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter). Chord symbols above are Am, Fm6, C/G, Dm7, F/G, and G7. The third staff has notes: G4 (half), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), F4 (half), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter). Chord symbols above are C, F/C, and C. The lyrics are: "Glo -ri -fy Thy name. Glo -ri -fy Thy name. in all the earth. --"

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), 355

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.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Reading

Exodus 1:8-2:10

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land."

Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live."

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 124 (in unison)

1 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;

2 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;

3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;

- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;**
- 5 Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.**
- 6 Blessed be the LORD! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.**
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.**
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.**

The Epistle Reading

Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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 16:13-20

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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

The Sermon

The Rev'd Sonia Sullivan Clifton

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

The Nicene Creed (*in unison*)

BCP, 358

**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 (in unison)

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.

Priest 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.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

Officiant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements or other notices may follow here.

The Offertory

The Officiant says a sentence from Scripture to begin the Offertory.

All are encouraged to make an offering in thanksgiving for all the blessings God has bestowed.

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Offertory Anthem

On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand
Catherine Clifton and Steve Clifton

by William B. Bradbury

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 FORTH OF GOD'S PEOPLE

God's Blessing (*pronounced by the Priest; the People respond, Amen.*)

I got a

1. I got a robe up in - a that king-dom ain'-a that good news, Ain'-a that good news.

robe up in - a that king-dom ain'-a that good news. Ain'-a that good news. I'm a gon-na

lay down this world gon-na should-er up - a my cross. Gon-na

take it home - a to my Je - sus ain'-a that good news, (ain'-a that good news.)

2. I got a crown up in-a that kingdom.

3. I got a savior in-a that kingdom.

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

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



Please remember in your prayers:

Fr. Al Chapman, Camden Agboglo, Betsy Chapman, Bernice Hodgins, Olive McDonald, Lydia Williams, Mitch Leggett, Vernescia Williams. Eugene Thomas, Steve Morse, Wayne Kennedy, Rhea Minnis, Lucia Frett, Kayla Rollock, Kenneth Rollock, Barbara Scotland, Maria & Kia, Ann-Marie Greenlee.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Kerin Hewitt (cousin of Maisie Reddy).

Please give thanks for:

Birthdays:

Errol Kirk 8/23

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