



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Raleigh, NC

June 21, 2020

Greeting by Fr. Tyrone

Voluntary "Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said", setting by Marilyn Biery

Opening Sentence

Officiant Blessed be the one, holy and living God.

People **Glory to God forever and ever. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

The Book of Common Prayer, 230

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

✠ The Holy Gospel Matthew 10:24-39

The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! "So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. "Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge

before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

People The Gospel of the Lord.
 Praise to you Lord Christ.

The Homily

Musical Interlude "Spread, O spread, thou mighty word", setting by Frederick Framm

The Prayers (For individual use or with a family)

Our God, the almighty one, counts the hairs of our head. Let us come before God in confidence, praying for all the world, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We thank you this day for the value you have placed upon us by giving us Christ our Savior. Empower us to acknowledge this gift in lives of service. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, God in Christ Jesus, that you have answered our fears with love. Give to us the faith to go where others dare not to proclaim the vastness of your love. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, God in Christ Jesus, that you are concerned with the frailty of our living. You know our addictions, our divorcings, our doubtings, our escapes. Grant us the wholeness we seek. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, God in Christ Jesus, that you aid those who work for justice and peace by giving them courage, vision, and strength. Enlist all people in the struggle for human dignity. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, O God, that you favor the poor, the meek, the oppressed, the homeless, and the hungry. Make your compassion contagious that the rich might share with the poor, the strong befriend the weak. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, O God, that you know the dangers that lurk among us. We pray for those whom you have called to guard and protect your entire creation, those who work the land and defend the nations. Strengthen them for their difficult tasks. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, O God, that you refresh us with times of leisure and recreation. Renew us that we might further appreciate you, each other, and all that you have made. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, O God, for your mercies renewed day by day. We pray for, **Doris Jacobs, Rudolph McEwan, David Myher, Elayne Karickoff, Dave Bergum, Barbara O'Neal, JoAnn Roebuck, Elliot Phillips, Gary Schaffer, Arlene McCullers, Abbie Silvia, Geoff Funkhouser, Betty Jo Jacobs, Paul Bamford, Lee Witcher, Audrey Witcher, Carol Pregent, Deanna Hill, Sophia Vaughan Morning, Sarah Roholt, Marilyn Adams, Mary Mainwaring, Becca Valone, Katie Critcher, Emma Clanton, Samuel Davenport, Rachael London, Beauty Munawa, John Monahan, and Bob Roberts.** Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, O God for those who celebrate birthdays this week including, **David Bergum, Alvin Davis (26th) and John Monahan (27th).** Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, O God, for all the blessings of this life. (Silence), Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, O God for your consolation in the midst of real pain. We commend to you the nearly 456,000 global citizens who have died due to COVID-19, Coronavirus, Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The Officiant adds a concluding Collect.

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Voluntary: "We know that Christ is raised", setting by Robert A. Hobby

Notes



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