

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

(PROPER 20)

24 September 2017

The Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m.



WELCOME to The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer. We are so glad you are here to worship with us this morning. If you are visiting, we invite you to sign the guest register in the narthex or to fill out a visitor card, found in the pews. Place the visitor card in the offering plate or give it to an usher or member of the clergy. As the parish community gathers, we invite you to prepare for worship in prayerful silence. During the liturgy, we will use the *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER* 1979 and *The Hymnal* 1982, found in the pew racks. 'S' refers to the service music section at the front of *The Hymnal* 1982. Large-print leaflets and hearing assistance devices are available. Please speak with an usher or member of the clergy before the liturgy.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The liturgy begins on page 355 in the BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Prière a Notre Dame

Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

As the church bell rings, all stand and sing:

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION: Praise my soul, the King of Heaven

HYMNAL, 410

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

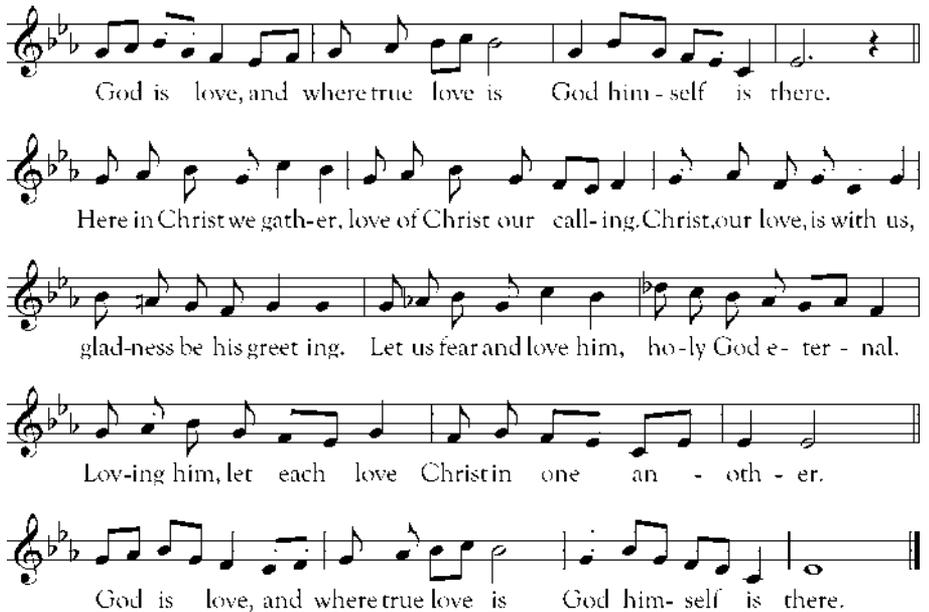
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

As the children, youth and teachers leave for Church School, all join in singing

HYMN 576, verse 1 and refrain



God is love, and where true love is God him-self is there.

Here in Christ we gath-er, love of Christ our call-ing, Christ, our love, is with us,
glad-ness be his greet-ing. Let us fear and love him, ho-ly God e-ter-nal.

Lov-ing him, let each love Christ in one an-oth-er.

God is love, and where true love is God him-self is there.

Words: Latin, tr. James Quinn (b. 1919)
Music: *Mandatum*, Richard Proulx (b. 1937)
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING Exodus 16:2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will

test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The choir sings

PSALM 105:1-2, 37-45

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; *
 make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
 and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 37 He led out his people with silver and gold; *
 in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.
- 38 Egypt was glad of their going, *
 because they were afraid of them.
- 39 He spread out a cloud for a covering *
 and a fire to give light in the night season.
- 40 They asked, and quails appeared, *
 and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.
- 41 He opened the rock, and water flowed, *
 so the river ran in the dry places.
- 42 For God remembered his holy word *
 and Abraham his servant.
- 43 So he led forth his people with gladness, *
 his chosen with shouts of joy.
- 44 He gave his people the lands of the nations, *
 and they took the fruit of others' toil,

45 That they might keep his statutes *
and observe his laws. Hallelujah!

Chant: George Garrett (1834-1897)

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and sing:

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE: Lord of all hopefulness

HYMNAL, 482

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 20:1-16

Gospeller 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."

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

THE SERMON

Rev. Cricket Park

THE NICENE CREED

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 (FORM V)

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 389

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

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

THE PEACE & THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY *The Choir sings*

ANTHEM: Immortal, invisible

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise. Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light; thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render: O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

Text: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)

Music: Eric Thiman (1900-1975)

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (PRAYER A)

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 361

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

HYMNAL, S-125

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break ing of the
bread: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

All who seek a deeper relationship with God in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion during this liturgy. Gluten-free wafers are available. The second chalice bearers have grape juice. Please make your need known at the altar rail. If the reception of Holy Communion is not part of your tradition, you are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate to the priest your desire to receive a blessing.

THE COMMUNION

All join in singing

HYMN: For the bread which you have broken

HYMNAL, 341

The Adult and Youth Choirs sing

ANTHEM: Ave verum corpus

Hail, true body, born of the virgin Mary; truly dying on the cross for humanity; from whose pierced side flowed the true blood; behold him now, tested for us through the trial of death. O merciful, O pious, O sweet Jesus Son of Mary.

Text: 14th Century Eucharistic hymn

Music: Sir Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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.

THE BLESSING

All respond: Amen.

HYMN IN PROCESSION: Glorious things of thee are spoken

HYMNAL, 523

THE DISMISSAL

All respond: Thanks be to God

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Hymne d'actions de grâce "Te Deum" - Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

Please respect those who wish to listen to the organ postlude by holding your conversations outside the sanctuary. Thank you.

Thank you for worshipping with us. At the conclusion of the liturgy, we invite you to join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Parish Hall, located on the lower level of the building.

To learn more about the mission and ministry of The Church of the Redeemer, visit the parish website: redeemerbethesda.org

Special thanks to Philip Toro for leading our choirs this morning, and to Redeemer Organ Scholar, Luke Brennan for playing the organ. Chris Betts is with his family in Miami.

■ PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Church of the Redeemer.

You're invited to join us in our mutual Christian journey.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table for communion.

***Please sign the guest book in the foyer or complete a visitor's card,
and please take a copy of Redeemer Spirit.***

We wish to welcome you fully into the Redeemer community!

Thank you to Teresa Raj, our indefatigable nursery caregiver, for our Indian feast last week.

*Altar flowers are given today to the glory of God and
in memory of Kristi Snowden by Patricia Snowden.*

Let's Create a Hurricane of Love!

Not all of us are in a position to drive to any of the areas that have been torn apart by hurricanes or floods or tornadoes or earthquakes—all of which have happened across the world in the last three weeks. But we know that prayer is powerful, and we can all pray for our brothers and sisters who are hurting. Here's something else we can do: Some time over the next two weeks, grab a stack of 3 x 5 notecards—however many you feel is appropriate. Decorate those cards with messages of love and encouragement for our brothers and sisters who have been touched by the destruction of this hurricane season. Your notes can be as simple or as complex as you like—they just have to fit on a 3 x 5 card. Put finished cards in the basket in the parish hall. Deacon Sue will get them to Forward Movement, who will get them to the places they are needed most.

Adult Forum at 9:15 a.m. Amma Cricket leads a discussion of how faith interacts with the workplace.

Wednesdays at Redeemer—Formation opportunities for all ages

Beginning on September 27, the confirmation class and adult formation class will meet together beginning with a potluck supper.. On the third Wednesday, Deacon Sue will provide an activity for the youth while the vestry meets.. See the sign-up sheet in the parish hall. The topic for September 27, October 4, October 11, and October 25 is "How Episcopalians Read the Bible."

Redeemer Book Group

We are reading *Monsoon: The Indian Ocean and the Future of American Power* by Robert Kaplan. It will be discussed **today** at the home of Susan Grigsby. For further info contact Huda Kraske at hqkraske@aol.com or 202-262-8227

Baptismal Date coming soon!

One of the designated dates for baptisms is All Saints' Sunday, which this year is November 5th. If you or one of your family members desires to be baptised this day, please contact Amma Cricket. She would like to schedule time with you to discuss the sacrament and what it means for the community. The Episcopal Church baptizes people of all ages!

Blessing of the Animals: October 1, 4:00 p.m.

Bring the furry, feathered, scaly, or stuffed animal you call family to church next Sunday. (A picture works too.) We'll meet on the labyrinth to give thanks for God's gifts of animals large and small. We'll also remember St. Francis of Assisi, who had a special love for the creatures of the earth.

Taize services resume Monday, October 2, 7:30 p.m.

Come and enjoy an hour of beauty and peace at our service in the style of the Taizé community, with music, meditation and healing.

A Special Celebration of Redeemer's Pipe Organ, October 8th

October of this year marks the 10th anniversary of the installation of our DiGennaro-Hart pipe organ here at Redeemer. To commemorate the anniversary, we are holding a special Evensong, with internationally renowned organist and choral director, Bruce Neswick here to lead Redeemer choirs and present a brief mini-recital after the liturgy. The Evensong and Recital are at 5.00 pm on Sunday, October 8. Mark your calendars and be here to enjoy this wonderful musical celebration. Reception to follow.

Faure Requiem on Sunday, November 5 at 5.00pm

As part of our Commemoration of All Faithful Departed on Sunday, November 5, the Adult Choir will sing Gabriel Faure's beautiful Requiem.

New choir members always welcome - adults and youth

If you or someone you know would like to be in our choirs, contact Chris Betts music@redeemerbethesda.org. New members are always welcome. Right now we are particularly looking for youth choristers (any grade school age), tenors and basses, but we'll welcome sopranos and altos too!

"Give bread to those who hunger..."

Please keep Manna on your grocery list each week and place your contributions in these baskets located in the rear of the church. This food will then be taken to Manna Food Center in Gaithersburg where it will be distributed to Montgomery County families in need.

The Interfaith Works Clothing Center needs kid's clothes, new underwear, and toys.

The Interfaith Works Clothing Center, 751 Twinbrook Parkway, Rockville, MD 20850, is in dire need of gently used kids' clothing, new underwear, and toys during this back-to-school time. The IWCC's drop-off hours are Tuesday - Friday: 9am-4:30pm; Saturday: 9am-2pm; Closed Sunday & Monday. Volunteers are also needed. SSL hours are available. If you can volunteer, please visit the Interfaith Works website and fill out the volunteer application at iworksmc.org

■ PRAYER REQUESTS

For those in need of healing:

Rick Abramson, Barbara Alterowitz, Peter Carlson, Allison Chow, Joan Eisenstodt, Kiki Garo, Lucien Garo, Jr., Jack Hutchings, Susan Ingraham, Olivier Jeanne, Peter & Beate Kendall, Rosalie Kerr, Clarice Leslie, Catherine Moore, Hal Palmer, Evelyn Paparelli,

John Penn, Mary Potter, Rich Randa, Charlotte Ripa, Tom Rogers, Toks Rose, Bill Ryon, Frances Sharon, Lynda Shepard, Anne Southard, Karen Stewart, Patricia Snowden, Ernie Spokes, Ann Taylor, Carter Taylor, Edward, Greg, Jerry, Jim, Katherine, Katie, Mollie, Quinn, Logan, Jay, Nico, and Evan.

For those celebrating birthdays: Charles Court, Aaron Packard-Winkler, Leah Nazarian, Anna Seckel, Lily Young.

■ **LITURGICAL ASSISTANTS**

Today, Sunday, September 24

Lector 8:00 Susan Grigsby; Chalice 8:00 Susan Grigsby

Ushers: Jefferson Arrington, Rick Tyler, Mary K Young

Crucifer: Cara Price

Acolyte: Olivia Tyler

Lectors 10:30: Clark Downs (Old Testament); Tom McNaugher (Epistle); Cathy Arrington (Intercessor)

Chalice 10:30: Ben Ivins, Peggy Tucker, Judy James

Counters: Clark Downs, Melinda Nelson

Altar Guild: Patricia Snowden, Diana Dial, Cathy Baker, Ann Taylor

Next Week, Sunday, October 1

Lector 8:00 Sally Pugsley; Chalice 8:00 Tami McMinn

Ushers: Jefferson, Meredith Griggs, Rick Tyler

Crucifer: Cara Price

Acolyte: Olivia Tyler

Lectors 10:30: Meredith Griggs (Old Testament); Dawn Fairbanks (Epistle); Jo Barclay-Beard (Intercessor)

Chalice 10:30: Patricia Snowden, Bill MacBain, Helen Zitomer

Counters: Mary K Young, Clark Downs

Altar Guild: (flowers),

Coffee Hour: Chrissy de Fontenay

Sign-up sheets for Coffee Hour and Altar Flowers are on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

October could really use your love.

We're counting on you for these ministries of hospitality. Thank you!

■ **NEXT WEEK'S LECTIONARY - WWW.LECTIONARYPAGE.NET**

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 1

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

Philippians 2:1-13

Matthew 21:23-32

■ PARISH CALENDAR

Today, September 24

Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.
Adult Forum 9:15 a.m. - "Faith and the Workplace"
Childcare begins 9:15 a.m..
Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School, 10:45 a.m.
Coffee Hour 11:45 a.m.

Monday, September 25, Office closed

AA Meeting, Noon

Tuesday, September 26

Education for Ministry, 6:30 p.m.
AA Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 27

Morning Prayer, 9:00 a.m.
Education for Ministry, 9:30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, Noon
AA Meeting, Noon
Youth Choir Rehearsal, 4:30 p.m.
Adult Education/Confirmation Class & Dinner, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 28

Ladies Lunch, Noon
Balkan Dancers, 7:30 p.m.
Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, September 29

AA Meditation Meeting, Noon
AA Meeting, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 30

Yoga, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, October 1, Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.
Adult Forum, 9:15 a.m. - Samaritan Ministries
Childcare, 9:15 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.
Coffee Hour, 11:45 a.m.
Blessing of the Animals, 4:00 p.m.

Looking ahead:

October 2, Taize Service and Healing Rite
October 4, Adult Formation & Confirmation Class

continued over...

October 8, Organ Anniversary Evensong
October 11, Adult Formation & Confirmation Class
October 25, Adult Formation & Confirmation Class
November 5, All Saints' Sunday, Pledge Ingathering & Baptisms

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