The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost October 25, 2020

The Opening Voluntary Toccata on "St. Anne" Gordon Young

Introit: O taste and see that the Lord is good Psalm 34

Processional Hymn "St. Denio" Hymn 423

1 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.

2 Unresting, unhasting, 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.

3 To all life thou givest, to both great and small;

in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree,

then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.

4 Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest 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.

Officiant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark* 12:29-31

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People together:

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.

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.*

1 Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

2 Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever

3 Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

4 Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

5 Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven,

6 Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;

we will highly exalt you. Glory to you!

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Celebrant: The Word of the Lord *People: Thanks be to God*

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 Domine, refugium

- 1 Lord, you have been our refuge * from one generation to another.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, * from age to age you are God.

- 3 You turn us back to the dust and say, * "Go back. O child of earth."
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past * and like a watch in the night.
- 5 You sweep us away like a dream; * we fade away suddenly like the grass.
- 6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; * in the evening it is dried up and withered.
- 13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? * be gracious to your servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us * and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works * and your splendor to their children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; * prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Celebrant: The Word of the Lord *People: Thanks be to God*

Sequence Hymn

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in him no South or North, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

2 Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be!

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Hymn 529

Who serves my Father as his child is surely kin to me.

3 In Christ now meet both East and West,

in him meet South and North, all Christly souls are one in him, throughout the whole wide earth.

Matthew 22:34-46

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet"'?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Sermon Rev. Nicholas Hull

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

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others especially Lou, Julia, Scott, Marie, Pam, John, Hilda, Mike, Sarah, Jane, Larry, David, Pete, Rusty, Darlene, Sharon, Ulla, Kathy, Ron, Kathy, Kerielea, Pat, Katherine, Linda, Crystal, Tammy, Mallory, James, Rocky, Katherine, Mary Ruth, Melissa, Colette, Linda, Jimmie, Lewis, Linda Bender, Kristin, Pat, David Bullins, Derrick and his family, Phillip, Helen, Carol, Garb, Penny Clark & Family and Barbara.

Silence

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offertory Anthem

"Feast and Remember You"

Diane Gerringer Collie

The Lord's Prayer (People and Celebrant)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion (People and Celebrant)

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. *Amen*. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

Recessional Hymn

1 Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

2 under the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,

"St. Anne"

from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone; short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all our years away; they fly, forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

Dismissal

My friends, life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us, so be swift to love and make haste to be kind and go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Closing Voluntary

"Recessional on St. Anne"

Gordon Young

Hymn 680

We remember in our prayers our companion church of All Saints Keighley and its Priest, Jonathan Pritchard. Pray today for the Non-Canonically Resident Clergy serving in the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia. The People of the Diocese of Haiti as they search for their new Bishop. The Diocese of Leeds and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines.

Grace Network - Our Grace Network Assignments for October 2020: Canned Beans or Peas 15 oz. For the month of October: Toilet Paper, Feminine Products, Deodorant. They are also in need of grocery bags for their food pantry. Use the Food Lion card for your shopping or give the card to Sue Rosser to shop for Grace Network. "Grace is counting on us to help keep their food pantry balanced. Thank you for supporting this outreach ministry."

Thoughts to ponder...

You are richer today if you have laughed, given and forgiven.

Remember...
"You can't help everyone,
but everyone can help someone!"

(Pulaski Episcopal Newsletter)

Grab your crew for drive-thru and head to Christ Church for Oysters, Stew and BB@too!!

Christ Episcopal Church Invites You to

The Annual Dan Prince Memorial Oyster Roast, Drive-Thru Style

Friday, November 13, 2020 5:00 to 7:00 PM Parish House Parking Lot 311 East Church Street, Martinsville

Invite Your Friends!

Please Place Your Order for food by October 31.

Raffle Tickets may be purchased from Vestry members and through the church office until November 13, \$10 per Ticket or \$100 per Book of Ten,
Prize is \$2500!

Contacts for more information: 276-632-2896 or office@christchurchmvl.org Page Beeler at 276-732-4000 or pagebeeler@comcast.net



At Christ Church We

Serve God, Family, and Community with Spirits uplifted by the Holy Eucharist, Hearts enriched by Scripture, and Minds enlightened by God's gift of reason.

Annual Dan Prince Memorial Oyster Roast

Friday, November 13th
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Parish House Parking Lot
311 East Church Street, Martinsville, Virginia

The Oyster Roast will have a different look. We will still have the fabulous food you have grown to love and the annual raffle. Instead of being all over the Parish House, inside and out, we will have a drive thru.

50/50 Raffle tickets available at the church office or from Vestry members. \$10/ticket or \$100/book

Prize: \$2,500

Must purchase before Friday, November 13th. Winner will be announced at the drive-thru.

ORDERS: An order form for your selections, and pick up times can be accessed through the Church website or by clicking here. Once you have filled out the order form, simply send it back to Christ Episcopal Church with your payment, which will act as your reservation. We look forward to seeing you at the Christ Church drive thru!! Thank you for your support!!

DIRECTIONS FOR PICK UP: Please enter on Scuffle Hill Street (to the left of the Parish House), follow signs, and exit on Letcher Court (between Parish House and Church).

PAYMENT: Cash or Check. Return payment with your order form to Christ Episcopal Church (Your payment is your reservation)

INVITE A FRIEND: Please send this invitation to anyone you would like to include.

Order form and payment must be received by Saturday, October 31.

Raffle Tickets must be purchased by November 13.

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Annual Dan Prince Memorial Oyster Roast ORDER FORM

Orders for Food due by October 31

	Please circle preferred pick up time slot.
Name:	5:00 - 5:30 PM
Email:	5:30 - 6:00 PM
Phone:	6:00 - 6:30 PM
	6:30 - 7:00 PM

Quantity	FOOD FOR SALE	PRICE	TOTAL
	Raw Oysters, unshucked	\$ 12 / Dozen	\$
	Steamed Oysters, partially shucked, in the shell	\$ 12 / Dozen	\$
	Brunswick Stew, homemade	\$ 15 / Quart	\$
	Pulled pork barbecue, homemade	\$ 15 / Lb.	\$
	Pimento cheese cornbread, homemade	\$ 9 / Half-dozen	
	Sleeve of Saltine Crackers -AND- a bottle of Cocktail Sauce	\$ 5	\$
	Chocolate brownies	\$ 10 / Half-dozen	\$
	Lemon bars	\$ 10 / Half-dozen	\$
	Layered cookie bars	\$ 10 / Half-dozen	\$
	PARTY PACK FOR 6 includes:		
	4 dozen oysters, Raw or Steamed (please circle preference)		
	2 quarts of Brunswick Stew		
	1 Dozen Pimento Cheese Cornbread Squares		
	2 Pounds of BBQ		
	2 Sleeves saltine crackers		
	1 bottle cocktail sauce		
	½ Dozen dessert squares (please circle one preference): Brownies / Lemon Bars / Layered cookie bars		
	1 Commemorative Dan Prince Oyster knife (free)		
	2 Oyster Roast T-Shirts (circle size): S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X	\$ 125 Each	\$
	OTHER STUFF		
	Dan Prince Commemorative Oyster Knife	\$ 10 Each	\$
	Oyster Roast T-Shirt (circle size): S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X	\$ 10 Each	\$
	50/50 Raffle Tickets, Individual tickets	\$ 10 / Ticket	\$
	50/50 Raffle Tickets, Book of 10 tickets	\$ 100 / Book	\$
Food Orders and Payment Due by October 31 Grand			\$