

around on the outside to the outer gate that faces toward the east; and the water was coming out on the south side. Going on eastward with a cord in his hand, the man measured one thousand cubits, and then led me through the water; and it was ankle-deep. Again he measured one thousand, and led me through the water; and it was knee-deep. Again he measured one thousand, and led me through the water; and it was up to the waist. Again he measured one thousand, and it was a river that I could not cross, for the water had risen; it was deep enough to swim in, a river that could not be crossed. He said to me, "Mortal, have you seen this?" Then he led me back along the bank of the river. As I came back, I saw on the bank of the river a great many trees on the one side and on the other. He said to me, "This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah; and when it enters the sea, the sea of stagnant waters, the water will become fresh. Wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish, once these waters reach there. It will become fresh; and everything will live where the river goes. People will stand fishing beside the sea from En-gedi to En-eglaim; it will be a place for the spreading of nets; its fish will be of a great many kinds, like the fish of the Great Sea. But its swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they are to be left for salt. On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing."

Psalm 123 Gevert 1

Today's psalm is one of a collection called Psalms of Ascent, as they were used by pilgrims headed to Jerusalem

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, *
to you enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the LORD our God, *
until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, *
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
and of the derision of the proud.

Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 12:2-10

Paul is competing with a rival group of missionaries for the attention of the Corinthians. However, instead of boasting about his strengths, he boasts about his weaknesses!

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no

mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Gradual Hymn 700 Moseley

Gospel Acclamation Gevert, 2017



Pastor **The Holy Gospel according to Mark** **6: 1-13**
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus' hometown friends are perhaps less than happy to hear that the Kingdom of God is near. Their resistance and lack of faith means that they cannot benefit from Jesus' life giving presence.

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

A Time of Silent Reflection

The Creed pg. 258

The Prayers of the People

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President Donald, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who take counsel at the 79th General Convention of the Episcopal Church this week, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering especially (*we read from the book and leave time for other names to be added*), let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all those things for which we are thankful (*we leave time to lift up thanksgivings*) and for those on our parish cycle of prayer, Christopher, Nina, Peter and Cassie Sanger, Tom and Susanna Schindler, and for their families, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection (*we read from the book and leave time for names to be added*), and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord, our God.

The Confession pg. 360

The Absolution

The Peace and the Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn 623 *O Quanta qualia*

Doxology Hymn 380 vs. 3 *Old 100th*

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer B* pg. 367

Holy, Holy, Holy: Hymnal S 130 from Deutsche Messe
Franz Schubert (1797-1828) arr. Richard Proulx

Please stand or kneel, as you prefer

The Lord's Prayer pg. 364

Fraction Anthem: Hymnal S 164 from Deutsche Messe
Franz Schubert (1797-1828) arr. Richard Proulx

Communion Hymn 692 *The Third Tune*

Communion Hymn 336 *Werde Munter*

Postcommunion Prayer

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 699 *Aberystwyth*

Postlude Gevert

At this time when the news is full of reports about drought that affects families' lives and livelihoods, and forest fires burn in the western United States, the images presented in our Ezekiel reading today have special resonance for us.

Water: we grow in water before our births, we are baptized with it into a life of grace, we cannot live without it.

As stewards of all God's creation, let us be mindful of our use of water each and every day.

The Trinity Vestry

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Susanna Schindler, Alice Tweed

*The altar flowers this morning are given
to the glory of God.*

Serving Today

Rector: The Rev. Heidi Truax
Music Director: Christine Gevert
Ministers of Communion: Tom Schindler, Rob Babcock
Ushers: Alexis Dorf, Tim Ward
Lector: Alexis Dorf
Epistler: Diane Walters
Intercessor: Rachel Lamb
Counters: Rachel Lamb, Al Dorf
Hospitality: Team 4—Tweed
Young People: Terri Brennan, Cheryl Duntz
Altar Guild: Alice Tweed
Flowers: Heidi Truax
Verger: Geoff Brown

Announcements

Please know that we welcome everyone to come forward to receive Holy Communion, or to receive a blessing. We have gluten free wafers as well as wheat, and we have a chalice of blessed grape juice as well as wine. We welcome you to God's table.

Mon., July 9 10:00 AM Millbrook Garden Club
Wed., July 11 2:00 PM Ecumenical Worship at Noble Horizons
Thurs., July 12 1:30 PM Holy Eucharist at Geer Village
July 14-21 Pastor Heidi will be Chaplain at Camp Washington. For Pastoral Emergencies, please contact Senior Warden Carol M. Taylor
Sun., July 15 8:00 AM Morning Prayer Janet Walker, worship leader, Taylor Neil, homilist
10:30 AM Morning Prayer, Danielle A. Gaherty, worship leader, Roy Bickley, homilist
11:15 AM Morning Prayer at Pine Grove, Alexis Dorf, worship leader and homilist
Noon: Vestry Meeting
Sundays 8:45 AM Bible Study
Mondays 7:00 PM Crescendo
Wednesdays 8:00 PM AA

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The Word of God

Let us keep silence as the prelude begins.

Prelude Gevert

Processional Hymn 698 *Flentege*

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Pastor 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 Gloria: Hymnal S 279 Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Pastor Let us pray together our collect.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Prophecy of Ezekiel 47:1-12

Then he brought me back to the entrance of the temple; there, water was flowing from below the threshold of the temple toward the east (for the temple faced east); and the water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the temple, south of the altar. Then he brought me out by way of the north gate, and led me