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The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost:

10:00 Family Eucharist: Rite Two "Opening Sunday"

Please remember to wear your mask while indoors and maintain a 6-foot distance from others throughout the service. Congregational singing is no longer prohibited.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Sextons of the Bell

PRELUDE

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Johann Sebastian Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *The Gate of the Year*

Marshall H. Barnes

Anastasia Swope, soprano

OPENING HYMN 473 "Lift high the cross"

OPENING ACCLAMATION Prayer Book p. 355

COLLECT FOR PURITY p. 355

THE GLORIA Hymnal, S-280 p. 356

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons and Creed

THE FIRST LESSON James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

HYMN 675 "Take up your cross"

THE GOSPEL Mark 8:27-38

*Response before the Gospel: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

*Response after the Gospel: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dean Weber

THE NICENE CREED

Prayer Book, p. 358

THE PRAYERS, FORM VI AND CONFESSION

p. 392

THE ABSOLUTION

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THE PEACE

p. 360

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Please refrain from sharing the Peace in a physical way except with members of your household. A wave, simple bow, or peace sign is appropriate for all others.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Dear Lord and Father

C. Hubert H. Parry

The Senior Choir

Ushers will not be passing offering plates at this service, but you are invited to leave your gift in the plate in the Narthex at the end of the service. We are grateful for your generous support of our many ministries at St. Elizabeth's.

The Holy Communion

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, PRAYER A p. 361

THE PREFACE OF GOD THE FATHER p. 377

...For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord...

SANCTUS Hymnal, S-129 p. 362

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 364

The parish clergy will bring the consecrated bread to you after the Eucharistic prayer. You may either remain standing or kneel at your pew, and they will place the host in your open hand. Consecrated wine will not be distributed during this time. The clergy will be sanitizing their hands prior to serving communion. Please take a moment to sanitize your hands with the hand sanitizer available in the pews.

After the priest has served everyone in your row, you may momentarily remove your mask to consume the consecrated bread before replacing your mask. Gluten-free hosts are available when needed; simply tell the priest when they come to you.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing only, please cross your arms over your chest as a sign to the priest.

After you have received the Holy Eucharist, you may sit or kneel in your pew.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

Hymn 8 “Morning has broken”

Hymn 516 “Come down, O Love divine”

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER p. 365

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL p. 366

CLOSING HYMN 525 “The Church’s one foundation”

The congregation can exit the church either at the conclusion of the hymn or the postlude. Please maintain a safe distance from others as you exit and do not crowd in the hallways. There will be a festive Coffee Hour outdoors (weather permitting) on the Fairmount Road lawn. Masks are not required outdoors, but they are encouraged for those who are not yet vaccinated or who have underlying health issues. Please maintain a safe distance from other households while enjoying your refreshments and fellowship.

POSTLUDE *Jerusalem* C. Hubert H. Parry

Arranged by Garah Landes

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Becky Kraus by Alice and Tom Palmer; and in loving memory of Jim Munhall by Susan and Lauren Munhall; and in loving memory of Ronald E. Hermance Jr. by his wife Kris, and Emily, Nick, Charlotte, and Teddy Spahr, Connie, Christopher, Hayes, and Lillian Hermance, and Alex, Erin, and Margaux Hermance; and in loving memory of Eileen Hickey Dowling by Brian and Ann Dowling and their family.

We welcome The Rev. Dean Weber as our Celebrant this morning and thank him for serving in our Rector’s absence.

Our COVID Protocols Parishioners are no longer required to pre-register for services, and we are no longer going to assign seats. We still ask that you enter through

the California Street doors and give your names to the person at the check-in desk. You can then proceed to the church and find an open seat. We will continue to rope off every other pew, and we ask that you be mindful of other households as you seat yourselves. If you need any assistance finding a seat, please check with one of our ushers. At this time, our bishop asks that when we gather indoors for services (particularly when there is congregational singing) that we continue to remain masked. Masks continue to be optional when outdoors for Coffee Hour and other parish gatherings.

Outdoor Coffee Hour today We will have small bottled waters and individually wrapped goodies available after the service outside on the Fairmount Road front lawn (*weather permitting*). Please join us for refreshments, fellowship, and a special sweet treat on our Opening Sunday!

Nametags Now that we are able to gather for Coffee Hour again, please feel free to get your nametag from the board next to the elevator and wear it during and after the service. If you do not have a nametag, please contact Ann Dowling in the Church Office (201-444-2299 or adowling@stesridgewood.org) to let her know.

The Church Office will be open Monday—Friday from 10:00 am—4:00 pm Please note that COVID safety regulations are still in place: The outer doors are locked, and masks and social distancing are required. To enter the building, please call 201-444-2299 when you arrive.

The 12:00 Noon Wednesday Eucharist that was originally scheduled for September 15th has been cancelled. We will begin offering them again in October on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

Weekday Morning Prayer Morning Prayer in-person services on weekdays have resumed in the Chapel at St. Elizabeth's as well as continuing on Zoom. As a result of the camera installed in the Chapel, we can have both

people there and on Zoom. Those on Zoom see the Chapel as one of the boxes, and with the large TV set up in the Chapel, those there can see the home Zoom participants in their boxes. It really is a successful blend of both, enabling both “live” in-person worship for those who can get to the Chapel and continuing the Zoom experience for those who cannot. The bell gets rung at 8:20! Come join us.

To participate via Zoom:

Go to zoom.us and select “Join A Meeting”

Enter the Meeting ID: 858 4728 7483

Password (if asked): Morning

Contact Jim Alimena at jim.alimena@gmail.com with any questions.

Women's Friday Morning Book Group Join with other women via Zoom for the St. Elizabeth's Women's Book Group. Our September book is *Prayer in the Night: For Those Who Work or Watch or Weep* by Tish Harrison Warren. A priest in the Anglican Church in North America, she reflects on the liturgy of Compline. From Chapter 1 – Finding Compline – Nightfall

When we pray the prayers we've been given by the church—the prayers of the psalmist and the saints, the Lord's Prayer, the Daily Office—we pray beyond what we can know, believe, or drum up in ourselves.

Tish Harrison Warren presents both personal vignettes and stories of scores of other Christians who have written about how prayer shapes their lives and carries them through the hours of darkness.

Friday, September 17 – Part Two – The Way of the Vulnerable: Ch. 3 – Those Who Weep/Ch. 4 – Those Who Watch/Ch. 5 – Those Who Work

Friday, September 24 – Part Three – A Taxonomy of Vulnerability: Ch. 6 – Give Your Angel Charge Over Those Who Sleep/Ch. 7 – Tend the Sick, Lord Christ/Ch. 8 – Give Rest to the Weary/Ch. 9 – Bless the Dying/Ch. 10 – Soothe the Suffering/Ch. 11 – Pity the Afflicted/Ch.

12 – Shield the Joyous & Part Four – Culmination: Ch.13
– And All for Your Love's Sake

Time: 11:00 am through 12:30 pm via Zoom link Friday Book Group or go to:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82380503238?pwd=dk5LWjFqNlp1aTZoTUVEa3ZCdmdxrdz09#success>

Meeting ID: 823 8050 3238 Passcode: Book

Any questions? Contact Diane Alimena at 862-377-3351 or d.alimena@gmail.com.

Fish 'n Chips Dinner Looking for something different for dinner?! Mark your calendars and make a reservation for Fish 'n Chips on Thursday, September 30th from 5:00–7:00 pm. **Curbside/Drive thru Only or Tailgate if you wish! Unfortunately, we cannot offer inside seating this year.** Tastefully British will be the chefs on site. *See the attached flyer for all the details.* If you can help with making a finger dessert, please let Beth McAllen know (201-320-8132 or bethmcallenveca@icloud.com).

Outreach Concert!! Thank you for marking your calendars for **Saturday, October 9, 2021 at 7:30 pm!** The piano and percussion duo, Synchronicity, featuring our very own Garah Landes and his brother Greg, will perform a benefit concert for Outreach in the sanctuary of St. Elizabeth's Church. Garah and Greg will be joined by an outstanding young cellist, Ian Maloney, who is a sophomore at The Juilliard School. The program includes works by C. H. H. Parry, Claude Debussy, Chick Corea, Garah Landes, and Astor Piazzolla. In addition, it will be the world premiere of a piece written for Synchronicity by the composer, David Wolfson. The Outreach Committee plans to host a one-hour reception following the concert. Look for an email with specific reservation information. Please plan to join us for this very special evening!

Episcopal Relief & Development Support for Victims of Hurricane Ida On Sunday, August 29, sixteen years after Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast, Hurricane Ida made

landfall in the same region. This Category 4 storm brought flooding and damaging winds that caused a loss of water to hundreds of thousands and a loss of electricity to over 1 million people. Episcopal Relief & Development is working closely with the Diocese of Louisiana and other regional partners in what will be a long-term response. Your generous gift will help alleviate suffering for the most vulnerable residents impacted by Hurricane Ida. Please visit episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-relief to make a gift today.

St. Paul's CDC Virtual Walkathon St. Paul's CDC has once again made their Walk to Fight Hunger! a virtual walkathon event, so you can safely walk the streets of your community from September 9th–26th while supporting a worthy cause. This virtual walk is in recognition of 50 years of supporting the SPCDC Food Pantry serving Paterson and Passaic County. The SPCDC now serves over 1,200 families annually and is building a network of supportive services that is engaging families, even working with and through the Paterson School System. Sponsorship opportunities are available as well. This is an event for the whole family. Please walk with us to help Paterson families in this difficult time. If you need further information, please contact David Barrand at dbarrand@optonline.net. Register online at: RunSignUp.com – “A Walk to Fight Hunger.”

Please remember to give Parishioners may now e-pay their pledges and make their other charitable donations to St. Elizabeth's online. The secure Online Giving portal may be found on our website. The Online Giving page may be directly accessed on the Online Giving tab at the top, underneath the St. Elizabeth's banner. If you have not returned a pledge card and would like to do so, the form may be downloaded from our website. Just click on The Church tab at the top of the page, then scroll to Stewardship and select Annual Pledging. You may also request a pledge card from the Church Office by contacting

Ann Dowling at adowling@stesridgewood.org or 551-206-6999).

Your generous gifts allow us to continue to do our good work, which is needed now more than ever.

Connect with us online

We're on Facebook!

- To find us on Facebook, simply type "St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church of Ridgewood" in the Facebook search tab, or click on the link on our website. **Please note that anyone can access the services available on our Facebook page**, even those who have not signed up for Facebook.
- If you have a personal Facebook page, please Like us! And also share St. Elizabeth's posts with your friends; we can call this e-evangelism!
- Additionally, we invite you to Like our church's Instagram page. Look for pictures of our beautiful stained glass windows and other treasures from around St. Elizabeth's Church. It's another way you can feel connected to our church even while you are away from it.

Our weekly e-blasts continue. If you are having issues with receiving St. E-News communiques, please:

- Check your Spam or Junk folders.
- Make sure you have added us to your Contacts list.
- Contact Abby Lee (alee@stesridgewood.org)

Serve Christ

From our Rector...

- Check in on your friends and neighbors and fellow parishioners.
- Say your prayers.
- Do small acts with great love.

Those assisting at today's service:

Lector: Joan Cooke

Eucharistic Minister: Joan Cooke

Ushers: Don Chappell, Todd Hoffman
Altar Guild: Caroline Angelica, Joanne Judah
Livestream Guild: Abby Lee
Check-In: Ann Dowling

The Wardens and Vestry Mary Hayes and Peter Angelica, *Wardens*; Jim Alimena, Matthew Croy, Ed Ferara, Karina Ferrales, Tim Graham, David Jones, Susan Munhall, Alice Palmer, Marnie Price, Karla Tombaugh, Diane Walker, Wayne Yankus

The Staff of St. Elizabeth's The Rev. D. Andrew Olivo, *Rector*, The Rev. Susan A. Schink, *Non-stipendiary Priest Associate*; Garah Landes, *Organist and Choirmaster*; Catherine L. Hostetler, *Associate Choirmaster and Associate for Christian Education*; Mike Watson, *Associate for Youth Ministries*; Ann Dowling, *Parish Administrator*; Grace Arscott, *Financial Administrator*; Abby Lee, *Communications Coordinator*; Fredy Reyes, *Sexton*; Anthony Alberti, Greg Hostetler, Alicia Luick, and Anastasia Swope, *Soloists*

Intercessory Prayer List September 12, 2021

Virginia DuDeck	Jim & Julie	Johnny
Clark Nicholas	Robertson	Buddy
Sr. Maureen Mitten	James Pring	Mary P.
Dana Amadeo	Maylin	John
Wayne Kelley	Aria	Therèse
Margaret Seiter	Amy	Maria
Maryellen O'Neill	Marylou Stettaford	Luciano
Sally Hirschev	Dorothea Hickey	Jennifer Bergeron
Meghan	Grace Hickey	Baby Luca
Steve	Claire Lent	Frances Swope
Coral Weber	John Lobo	Mary McKenna
Celeste Herrick	Dakota Lobo	Naomi McKenna
Rohan II	Jane & Monty	Zane
John Bové	Loretta	Marty Doggett
John Mills	Pauline Fiore	Vicky Hoy
Mary	The Schmid Family	The Morley Family
Jane Richardson	Helen Barrand	Melinda Bessenger
Syd Salt	Paula Stukenborg	Andrew
Rhys	Alex Casazza	Bill Keeley
Ken Dudzik	Marty Melamed	Donald Swope
Michael Dudzik	Elizabeth Sofia	The Hannon Family
George & Shelley	Vincent DeSimone	Paul
Mackey	John Kliegl	Douglas Malcolm
Alan & Marilyn	David Barrand	Paul Carrizo
Michel	Harvey Auger	Steven
Harry & Jean	Catherine	Rob
Place	Patrick	

We remember also those who have died, especially parishioner Stephen Lipscomb, who died on August 22nd, Barbara Vickery, and Merry Beckett.

