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THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 21, 2008 - Proper 20

THE FAMILY EUCHARIST AT 9:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Gathering Hymn: 450, *All hail the power of Jesus' Name!*

(verses 1-3) Coronation

Opening Acclamation *Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 355*

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

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

The Gloria—Iona Community

(sung three times)

Glo-ry to God: Praise to the Son: Love to the Spir-it: Three and yet One.
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Collect of the Day:

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reading: Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Alleluia Verse—*Iona Community*

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Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:23-32

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. “What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two

did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon For Kids

The Rev. Aaron Perkins

A Word for the Grown-ups

I Believe

WLP 769



1. I be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all
2. I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and
3. I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the



things that be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens,
cru - ci - fied; tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied -
saints with - in one church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly.



Keep - er of the sky and sea. I be - lieve in
True Life there had tru - ly died. I be - lieve that
where for - give - ness frees from sin; in the bod - y's



God's Son, Je - sus, now for us both Lord and Christ of the Spir - it
on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed
res - ur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's



and of Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.
to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.
ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

Prayers of the People Reader: God of love and mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

The Confession

Spoken by all

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Commissioning of Ministry Coordinators

(Antiphon) You are my witnesses, says the Lord, and my servants whom I have chosen.

V. Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name:

R. Make known his deeds among the peoples.

Let us pray. (Silence)

Have regard to our supplication, O gracious Lord, and confirm with your heavenly benediction your servants commissioned to minister and to lead in your Church, that with sincere devotion of mind and body they may offer acceptable service to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

In the Name of God and of this congregation, I commission you as leaders in this Parish, and thank you for your ministry among us.

The Peace

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Offertory Verses: *Glory and gratitude and praise—Iona Community*

Glo - ry and gra - ti - tude and praise now let earth to
 hea - ven raise. Glo - ry and gra - ti - tude and praise:
 these we of - fer to God.

Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A



I want to follow
Jesus. He is God's
son.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
 might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. * Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
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Lord’s Prayer & The Breaking of the Bread

All are welcome at God’s table.

Holy Communion

Send-off Prayer for Lay Eucharistic Visitors *(please stand)*

O God, guide these Lay Eucharistic Visitors as they go forth bearing your holy gifts to those who cannot be with us. May we share with them the communion of Christ’s body and blood. Lord, make us who are many, one body, because we share one bread and one cup. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Dismissal

Sending Forth Hymn: *Awesome God*

(sung 3 times)

Our God is an awesome God
Who reigns from heaven above
With wisdom, power and love
Our God is an awesome God...

(Church School & Youth Groups follow the cross to class)

Postlude

Alternate Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

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Standing Announcements

We welcome all those persons who may be visiting St. George's for the first time. Please sign the guest book and let us know who you are!

The Nursery is available to those with infants to age two 9:45-10:45 a.m.

The Sanctuary flowers today are given in thanksgiving for Justina Hayes and to celebrate her birthday by her family.

The post-11:00 coffee hour is hosted today by Mary Martin & Sue Tennant.

Celebrations this week. Birthdays: Justina Hayes, Parker Woodard, Charles Barrett, Jill Barrett, Laura Hoy, Mary Martin, Sue Tennant, Jacob Bean, Mark Ford, Paige Gallant, William Holder, Janet Stuart, Thomas Woodard, Jim Gambrell, Gail Haskell, Karen Pence, Sean Whelton. Anniversaries: George & Julie Dow, Joan Kennedy-Brown & Alan Brown, John & Christine Gallant.

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THE WORD OF GOD

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory & Offertory Verse	<i>All things come of Thee, O Lord; And of thine own have we given Thee. Amen.</i>
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THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II AT 11:00 A.M.

THE ORDER FOR HOLY BAPTISM

Prelude

Opening Hymn: 450, *All hail the power of Jesus' Name!* Coronation

The Order for Holy Baptism *Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 299*

Collect of the Day *bulletin, p. 4*

First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7 *bulletin, p. 4*

Psalm: 78:1-4, 12-16, *Attendite, popule* *bulletin, p. 5*

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Alleluia Verse—*from the Iona Community*

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Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:23-32 *bulletin, p. 5*

Sermon *The Rev. Mary Robb Mansfield, M.Div.*

Baptismal Hymn: *I was there to hear your borning cry*

1. I was there to hear your born- ing cry, I'll be
3. When you heard the won- der of the Word, I was
5. In the mid- dle a- ges of your life, not too
Final: I was there to hear your born- ing cry, I'll be

there when you are old, I re- joiced the day you
there to cheer you on, you were raised to praise the
old, no long- er young, I'll be there to guide you
there when you are old, I re- joiced the day FINE

were bap- tized, to see your life un- fold.
liv- ing Lord, to whom you now be- long.
through the night, com- plete what I've be- gun.
were bap- tized, to see your life un- fold.

2. I was there when you were but a child, with a
4. When you find some- one to share your time, and you
6. When the eve- ning gent- ly clos- es in, and you

faith to suit you well, in a blaze of light you
join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your
shut your wea- ry eyes, I'll be there as I have

wan- dered off to find where de- mons dwell.
ver- ses rhyme from dusk 'till ris- ing sun.
al- ways been, with just one more sur- prise.

Presentation & Examination of the Candidate *BCP p. 301*
Prayers for the Candidate *BCP p. 305*
The Baptism *BCP p. 307*

We welcome Augustine Fitsum Beecher, who, through his baptism, joins us as family, as a member of the Body of Christ.

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V. Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name:

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Offertory: *Wade in the Water—arr. Davison* *Parish Choir*

Offertory Verse: *The Doxology* *Old Hundredth*

Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A *BCP p. 361*

Sanctus & Benedictus es—setting by Robert Powell *Hymn S129*

(Organ) Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est _____.

Lord's Prayer & Breaking of the Bread *BCP p. 364*

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During the Ministration of Holy Communion:

Peace before us

1. Peace be - fore us, Peace be - hind us, Peace un-der our feet.
 2. Love be - fore us, Love be - hind us, Love un-der our feet.
 3. Light be - fore us, Light be - hind us, Light un-der our feet.
 4. Christ be - fore us, Christ be - hind us, Christ un-der our feet.
 5. Al- le- lu- ia! Al- le- lu- ia! Al- le- lu- ia!
 6. Peace be - fore us, Peace be - hind us, Peace un-der our feet.

Peace with - in us, Peace o-ver us, let all a - round us be Peace.
 Love with - in us, Love o-ver us, let all a - round us be Love.
 Light with - in us, Light o-ver us, let all a - round us be Light.
 Christ with - in us, Christ o-ver us, let all a - round us be Christ.
 Al- le- lu- ia! Al- le- lu- ia! Al- le- lu- ia!
 Peace with - in us, Peace o-ver us, let all a - round us be Peace.

Hymn: 339, *Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness* *Schmücke dich*

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Post-Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

Closing Hymn: 344, *Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing* *Sicilian Mariners*

Announcements and Dismissal

BCP p. 366

Postlude

LECTIONS: YEAR A, PROPER 21

Collect of the Day

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- 1 Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times. [ANT.]
- 3 That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.
- 4 We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, *
and the wonderful works he has done. [ANT.]
- 12 He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, *
in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
- 13 He split open the sea and let them pass through; *
he made the waters stand up like walls. [ANT.]
- 14 He led them with a cloud by day, *
and all the night through with a glow of fire.
- 15 He split the hard rocks in the wilderness *
and gave them drink as from the great deep.
- 16 He brought streams out of the cliff, *
and the waters gushed out like rivers. [ANT.]

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