



**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**

117 Main Street  
Owego, NY 13827

**The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Morning Prayer, Rite II**

Sunday, August 1, 2021

## Covid Regulations

Due to the increase in the spread of the Delta variant and its ability to infect vaccinated individuals, the CDC has recommended, and the Vestry decided that we will implement, the recommendation that all individuals will wear masks again indoors, regardless of their vaccination status, effective immediately.

We also must ask that family groups and individuals again maintain a safe social distance of 4 to 6 feet from others in all directions. Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe.

## Morning Prayer, Rite 2

### Proper 13

Prelude: *Alleluia! Christ Is Risen!* Michael Bedford

*At the sound of the bell, all stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church.*

**Opening Hymn:** Hymn 302 *Father we Thank Thee*

*The Officiant says*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

Confession of Sin  
*All kneel.*

*The Officiant then says*

Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, so that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People*

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 Officiant stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

## **Invitatory and Psalter**

*All stand.*

*Officiant*                    Lord, open our lips.  
*People*                        And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Officiant and People*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

**Jubilate**     *Psalms 100*

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
    serve the Lord with gladness  
    and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
    he himself has made us, and we are his;  
    we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
    give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; \*  
    and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

**Psalm 78:23-29**                    *Attendite, popule*

23 So he commanded the clouds above \*  
    and opened the doors of heaven.

- 24 He rained down manna upon them to eat \*  
and gave them grain from heaven.
- 25 So mortals ate the bread of angels; \*  
he provided for them food enough.
- 26 He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens \*  
and led out the south wind by his might.
- 27 He rained down flesh upon them like dust \*  
and winged birds like the sand of the sea.
- 28 He let it fall in the midst of their camp \*  
and round about their dwellings.
- 29 So they ate and were well filled, \*  
for he gave them what they craved.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

## **The Lessons**

*The people are seated*

### **Exodus 16:2-4,9-15**

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.”

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.

*A period of silence is kept.*

## **9 The First Song of Isaiah**    *Ecce, Deus* *Isaiah 12:2-6*

Surely, it is God who saves me; \*  
I will trust in him and not be afraid.  
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \*  
and he will be my Savior.  
Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \*  
from the springs of salvation.  
And on that day you shall say, \*

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;  
Make his deeds known among the peoples; \*  
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.  
Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \*  
and this is known in all the world.  
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \*  
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

## **The Gospel Reading**

**John 6:24-35**

*Celebrant*            A Reading from the Gospel according to John.

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it

was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

*Celebrant*  
*People*

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

## **Homily**

Alice O’Brien-Botts

## **Apostles’ Creed**

*All stand.*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,



the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **The Prayers**

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Officiant*                    The Lord be with you.

*People*                        And also with you.

*Officiant*                    Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.

*The Officiant and People say responsively*

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- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.  
V. Day by day we bless you;  
R. We praise your name for ever.  
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.  
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
R. For we put our trust in you.  
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;  
R. And we shall never hope in vain.

*The Officiant then says the following Collects*

*The Collect of the Day*

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*A Collect for Sundays*

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*A Collect for Grace*

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Office Hymn**    *I am the bread of life*                      H-335

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

PENTECOST 10 ~ (PROPER 13-B)

Let us offer our prayers to the good and gracious God who gives us bread from heaven, saying *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For the Church: especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Dede, our bishop; Trula our Priest; Dorothy our District Deacon; Alice, our Lay Preacher & Worship Leader, that we may be open to God's generous love and be filled with gratitude for all the ways God has provided for us. ***Holy One, hear our prayer.***

For this parish family, that we may be renewed in mind and spirit, and become new persons of love and service in Christ. ***Holy One, hear our prayer.***

For freedom from strife and conflict, that we may be transformed by Christ, and come to a new understanding of the people and situations that lead to negativity. ***Holy One, hear our prayer.***

For an openness to the gifts of God, that we, who are clothed in the likeness of God, may live lives worthy of our calling. ***Holy God, hear our prayer.***

For relief from drought, wildfires, and severe weather; for those who work in dangerous places, and for inadequate wages; and for respite from the Corona virus. ***Holy One, hear our prayer.***

For all who serve in the armed forces, especially Shannon Murray Tessmer, Gregory Cello, Jr., Adam Jacquet, Emmily Botts, Jenna Keathly and Tim Garland. ***Holy One, hear our prayer.***

For all teachers, students, and parents, and especially for our college students, Mary Standinger, Larissa Hankey, Kayla Hankey, Laura Robertson, Andrew Clark, and Mikayla Sedlacek. ***Holy One, hear our prayer.***

For all those in need of our prayers, remembering especially, Joan Hickey, Hila Whitman, Phil Berghorn, Elaine Tiffany, Dennis Nichols, Grecil Morilla, Laura Coppens, David Glerum, Brian Murphy, Carol Shrauger, John Lobsiger, Susan Beattie, Esther Thomas, Julia Zepkowski, Johanna Masters, Diane Conneman, Jean Radice, Joan Gibbs, Jane Cornett, Joseph Murphy, Dorette Burnham, Melanie, Noelle, Tyler, Greg Cello Sr., Louise Woodburn, Gail Yost Moyka, Joan Meddaugh, Johnny Wall, Doug Worthing, Matthew Smithkors, John Wall, Florence Sawyer, Violet Geller, Father Lee Love, Marge Jackson, Joan Babcock, Wylie Duerson, Joan Pascuzzo, Laura Engram, Scott Armstrong and for those we now name(pause)...., that they may find healing in body, mind, and spirit. ***Holy One, hear our prayer.***

For those who have died, . . . . . , that they may continue to feast on the bread of heaven that endures for eternal life. ***Holy One, hear our prayer.***

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary, the God-bearer, and all the saints who have borne witness to Christ, let us offer ourselves, and one another to the living God, through Christ. ***To you, O God, we give glory and praise.***

*Celebrant:* Sustain and nourish us, O God, and hear the prayers we offer this day; feed us with the bread from heaven and empower us with your Spirit that we may build up your creation in love and grow in every way into him who is our head, Jesus Christ our Savior. ***Amen.***

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. ***Amen.***

### ***The General Thanksgiving***

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

*The Celebrant then prays*

### ***A Prayer of St. Chrysostom***

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God.***

**Sending Hymn**     *Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah* H-390

### **Announcements**

*Announcements may be made at this point in the service.*

**Postlude:** “*Dialogue*” Couperin

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Music for today's service was provided by Linda Stanley. Thank you!

### **Some upcoming events:**

August 5<sup>th</sup>- 5 pm- ACT MEAL @ First Baptist Church, our turn to serve; boxed meals to go.

August 23<sup>rd</sup>- Confirmation & Reception Classes begin. The classes will be in person at St. Paul's and on Zoom , if preferred.

September 12<sup>th</sup>- Mass in the Grass (in the church yard on Liberty St)

September 19<sup>th</sup> -Sunday School returns.

October 3- Blessing of the Animals service.

October 6<sup>th</sup>- Regional Confirmation & Reception service is planned at St. John's, Ithaca.

October 17<sup>th</sup> -CROP Hunger Walk:...ending at St. Paul's Church, with light refreshments...we will need a team of Refreshment Folks! If interested please contact either Kathy Medovich or Mother Trula..

November 7<sup>th</sup> -All Saints Sunday.

November 13 & 14<sup>th</sup> - Diocesan Convention.

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### **Weekly Prayers**

In our parishes, we pray for the people of Christ Episcopal Church in Manlius and their priest, the Rev. Timothy Hannon, and the people of St. John's Episcopal Chapel in Marathon and their priest, the Rev. Thomas Margrave.

In our Companion Diocese of El Salvador we pray for the Feast of El Salvador del Mundo.

In The Episcopal Church, we pray for the people of the Diocese of Minnesota and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Craig Loya.

In the Anglican Communion we pray for the people of the Church of the Province of Southern Asia and their prime bishop, the Most Rev. Melter Tais.

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**Mass in the Grass-** St. Paul's will hold the Mass in the Grass service this year on September 12th. The service will be held in the lawn behind the parking lot of the church. Plans for a coffee hour or "brunch" after the service are still to be determined.

**Blessing of the Animals-** This year we are planning the Blessing of the Animals service on October 3rd. If the weather cooperates, we may hold the service outside. Plan to attend with wonderful service with your pets!

**Name Tags** are back! If you need one, please fill out the form on the side or back table. Please wear yours to help any visitors or newcomers remember you.

**Directory update forms** are also available on the side and back tables. A copy of the most recent revision will be there to check your information.

**If you have an abundance of flowers** in your yard this summer, please contact Diane or Nancy Smith and let them know, then bring some down on a Saturday. We would love to have you share them with us.

**COFFEE HOUR** this morning will be held on the Cloisters, weather permitting. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board just outside the door.



**Coffee with the Bishop** Join Bishop DeDe Duncan-Probe on Facebook Live (at [facebook.com/bishopdede/live](https://facebook.com/bishopdede/live)) every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 a.m. for coffee, prayer, and a morning check-in.

**CARE TEAM:** submitted by Kathy Medovich

ACT MEAL: Thursday, August 5th...serving at 5 pm...boxed to go meal @ First Baptist Church, Owego...thank you for your generous donations...the summer picnic meal includes spiedies, mac salad, chips, pickles, strawberry shortcake...we will continue the to go meals. Safety first...

CARE Team: Who wants to join us? We are a committed and caring team...currently including parish nurses, retired teachers, EMT...if you care for people, think about joining us. Throughout the pandemic we provided health and healing in a variety of ways, including the ongoing Blessing Box project, the Prayer Tags, Soap for Hope, CPR/AED training, ACT Meal volunteering and Crop Hunger Walk...let's plan to meet September 19th after church in Fellowship.

## **St. Paul's Stained-Glass Windows Renovation Project Update**

St. Paul's is excited to announce that Phase 1 of the Stained-Glass Window Renovation Project is complete. Willet Hauser/ Associated Crafts, has removed all the windows deemed in need of restoration, boxed them up and prepared them for shipment to their workshops in Minnesota. In their place are transparencies adhered to ¼ inch thick acrylic plastic that will remain in place until the windows are returned. These transparencies are accurate duplicates of the windows themselves. They give us a preview of what the church will look like when all the outside coverings are replaced with acrylic and the cleaned and restored windows are in place behind the coverings. A good comparison may be seen in the Lady Chapel, where the window on the left has been removed but the one on the right still has the yellowed and hazy plexiglass on the outside. A reminder, several windows are still in need of adoption. Check with one of the Wardens for an updated list of those available.  
Bill O'Connell

### **Readers' Schedule**

Today: Ladd Yost  
Next Week: Deacon Dorothy

**NOTES:**

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### **The Vestry**

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Junior Warden

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Class of 2022  
Class of 2023

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