

**THE 9<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: PROPER 11**  
**THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I**  
**Sunday, July 21, 2024, 7:45 AM**

*Welcome to St. Thaddeus Episcopal Church! This service follows the order found in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), located in the pews. Please don't hesitate to ask an usher or a neighbor for assistance. You are invited to participate fully in all aspects of our worship service!*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

*The People stand as the Celebrant and other Ministers enter the Chancel.*

**The Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity**

**BCP p. 323**

**The Gloria**

**BCP p. 324**

**The Collect of the Day**

**BCP p. 178**

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion, we beseech thee, upon our infirmities, and those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, mercifully give us for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**The First Lesson**

**2<sup>nd</sup> SAMUEL 7:1-14a**

A reading from the second book of the Prophet Samuel.

When the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you." But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord

*People*        Thanks be to God.

**The Psalm 89:20-37**

**BCP p. 715 - 716**

**The Second Lesson**

**Ephesians 2:1-22**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ — by grace you have been saved — and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God — not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life. So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" — a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands — remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

**The Gospel**

**Mark 6:30-34, 53-56**

*Priest*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People*        *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he

had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

*Priest*        The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*        Praise be to thee, O Christ.

<b>The Sermon</b>	<b>The Reverend Joseph S. Whitehurst</b>
<b>The Nicene Creed</b>	<b>BCP p. 326</b>
<b>The Prayers of the People: Form 3</b>	<b>BCP p. 387</b>
<b>The Confession &amp; Absolution</b>	<b>BCP p. 330</b>
<b>The Comfortable Words &amp; Exchange of Peace</b>	<b>BCP p. 332</b>

*The Ministers & People greet one another with signs of peace.  
The Parish Announcements are then shared.*

### **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

<b>The Offertory</b>	
<b>The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II</b>	<b>BCP p. 340</b>
<b>The Lord's Prayer</b>	<b>BCP p. 336</b>
<b>The Breaking of the Bread &amp; Fraction Anthem</b>	<b>BCP p. 337</b>
<b>The Prayer of Humble Access</b>	<b>BCP p. 337</b>
<b>The Invitation &amp; Communion of the People</b>	<b>BCP p. 338</b>
<b>The Post-Communion Prayer</b>	<b>BCP p. 339</b>
<b>The Blessing &amp; Dismissal</b>	<b>BCP pp. 339-340</b>

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A.C.T.S.**: Area Churches Together Serving is requesting *cereal, oatmeal or grits* for the month of July. Items may be left in the red wagon in the Narthex or left in the church office. They will be delivered to ACTS at the end of the month.

**MEAD HALL EPISCOPAL SCHOOL** is enrolling students from 3K through 12th grade for the 2024-2025 school year. Please contact Dr. Felicia Pontoo at [fpontoo@meadhallschool.org](mailto:fpontoo@meadhallschool.org) or 803-648-3223 for more information. Communicant families in good standing of St. Thaddeus are eligible for a tuition discount.

**READING WITH THE RECTOR:** Join Fr. Marshall and your friends from St. Thaddeus in reading and discussing *Public Faith in Action* by Miroslav Volf, beginning August 11! For more information, & to register for the series, see Monday's email. The deadline to sign up is July 24.

**BURGERS, BINGO & BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS:** Join your St. Thaddeus & Mead Hall family, on Saturday, July 27, 2024 at 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm for an evening of fun for all ages! Students should plan to bring their backpacks for a special blessing by the clergy. If you plan to play bingo, please bring an inexpensive and fun prize for our prize table! Tea and lemonade will be provided, but you're welcome to bring your beverage of choice from home. \$10 per person or family of 4 or more \$30. Please click on the link to sign up.

**NEWCOMERS/CONFIRMATION CLASS BEGINS AUGUST 4!** Join the clergy for a weekly class that goes deeper into the history of Christianity, the Episcopal church, theology, church structure and governance, and learn more about St. Thaddeus. This class will meet each Sunday at 9 am starting August 4 and continuing through September 15 in the chapel. This class is open to anyone, but it is a prerequisite for people 16 years of age or older who would like to be received or confirmed by the Bishop when he visits St. Thaddeus on September 22. Only adult confirmed communicants in good standing are eligible to vote in parish meetings, stand for Vestry, or represent the parish at Diocesan and Churchwide committees, councils, or conventions. Please reach out to Fr. Marshall or Fr. Joseph if you have questions.

**CHILDCARE:** Free childcare is available in the nursery in the Cornish Building Sunday mornings 9:45am-11:30pm for infants and small children (6 weeks to 6 years old).

**~ Serving Today ~**

**Celebrant & Preacher**  
**Eucharistic Minister**  
**Lector**  
**Usher**  
**Altar Guild**  
**Sound**

**The Reverend Joseph S. Whitehurst**  
**Mac Hanna**  
**Sissy Jacobs**  
**Boyd Wiedenman**  
**Jennifer Huff**  
**Carl Jacobs**

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**The Reverend Joseph S. Whitehurst, Associate Rector**  
**The Reverend Deacon Jane Hostetter, Deacon**  
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