

THE 16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: PROPER 18

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

Sunday, September 8, 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

Grant us, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favour is better than silver or gold. The rich and the poor have this in common: the LORD is the maker of them all. Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail. Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor. Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the LORD pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm 125

BCP p. 781-782

The Second Lesson

James 2:1-17

A reading from the letter of James.

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment

will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Mark 7:24-37

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

People *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

The Sermon

The Reverend Joseph S. Whitehurst

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 326

The Prayers of the People: Form 4

BCP p. 388

The Confession & Absolution

BCP p. 330

The Comfortable Words & Exchange of Peace

BCP p. 332

The Ministers & People greet one another with signs of peace.

The Parish Announcements are then shared.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP p. 340

The Lord’s Prayer

BCP p. 336

The Breaking of the Bread & Fraction Anthem

BCP p. 337

The Prayer of Humble Access

BCP p. 337

The Invitation & Communion of the People

BCP p. 338

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP p. 339

The Blessing & Dismissal

BCP pp. 339-340

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLERGY ASSISTING ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY: During our sister parish St. Augustine of Canterbury's search for their next priest, Frs. Marshall, Joseph, and Frank are offering pastoral assistance and occasional Sunday supply, just as Fr. Dan did at St. Thaddeus' during our search process. Fr. Marshall is leading worship there this morning.

CHAPEL TALKS: THEOLOGY & ETHICS OF HUMAN SEXUALITY: Join the clergy on Sunday evenings at 5 pm September 15-October 6 for a series of honest, in-depth, and vulnerable conversations exploring the intersection of theology and faith, as well as an exploration of how Christians cultivate sexual ethics. NOTE: This series is appropriate for mature and self-aware audiences only. Please contact Fr. Marshall with any questions.

UPCOMING FREE ORGAN RECITAL: Please join us Monday, September 16th, at 7pm for an organ recital given by Joseph Causby, Director of Music and Organist of the Chapel of the Cross in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. As an organ recitalist, Joseph has given concerts in the U.S., Canada, England, and France. A native of Morganton, NC, Joseph Holds a BMus from Appalachian State University, an MMus from Rice University, and a PhD from the University of Durham (UK), where he also served as the first American organ scholar of Durham Cathedral.

BREAKFAST WITH THE BISHOP SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22: Bishop Daniel Richards is making his pastoral visit to Saint Thaddeus on Sunday, September 22, where he will preach, preside, confirm, and receive new members into our family of faith. Join us at 8:30 am in Cheetham Parlor for a potluck breakfast with the Bishop and our class of confirmands, then stay for a celebratory combined worship service at 10 am! See your email to sign up!

A.C.T.S.: Area Churches Together Serving is requesting *spaghetti or pasta for the month of September*. 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.

CHILDCARE: Free childcare is available in the nursery in the Cornish Building Sunday mornings 8:45am-12:30pm for infants and small children (6 weeks to 6 years old).

SOUP KITCHEN: The soup kitchen fed the following people last week. My Father's House: 15 ~ Shut Ins: 10 ~ Tri Development: 20 ~ Soup Kitchen Meals: 104 ~Total: 149~ Menu: Chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, tossed salad, peaches and pudding, and PB & J sandwiches.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd starts at 10am this Sunday Sept. 8th and meets in the Atrium upstairs in the Stevenson-McClelland bldg. and is led by Anna Akins
Adult Sunday School Class starts at 10:15am and meets in the Large Parlor (cafeteria) in the Stevenson-McClelland building led by Gibert Kennedy

Drop In Class starts at 10:15 am and meets in the Small Parlor in the Stevenson-McClelland building. We will be reading "What Went Wrong" by Philip Yancy and John A. Bernbaum, led by Kathie Fowler

Holy Eucharist and Healing service is held on Wednesdays at 11:30am in the Chapel of the Holy Apostles

Are you new to the area or visiting our church for the first time and want to know more about St. Thaddeus? Then scan the QR code below and see our website and complete our newcomer form.



~ Serving Today ~

Celebrant & Preacher	The Reverend Joseph S. Whitehurst
Eucharistic Minister	Stephanie Ludwick
Lector	Sissy Jacobs
Usher	Boyd Wiedenman
Altar Guild	Ann Fornwald
Sound	Carl Jacobs

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