



St. John's Episcopal Church
297 Lowell Avenue
Newtonville, Massachusetts

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 8, 2019, 10:00 a.m.

Prelude Petit Canon

Nadia Boulanger

Hymn 375 "Give praise and glory unto God"

Du Lebensbrot, Herr Jesu Christ

The Opening Acclamation

The people standing, the celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

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

Celebrant: Let us pray:

All: **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn S-280 Gloria in excelsis

Robert Powell

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods

and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Psalm 1

Cantor sings Antiphon; All repeat. Cantor sings verses; All join in singing the Antiphon.

Hap - py are they whose de - light is in the law of the LORD.

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night. [*Ant.*]
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away. [*Ant.*]
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed. [*Ant.*]

Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child,

Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

All standing, the Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

The Sermon

The Rev. David Killian

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Form IV, BCP

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless this congregation and all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Comfort all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We give thanks for the ministry of the Rev. David Killian as our Bridge Priest for the past seven months and pray for God's blessing on him and his family. Bless this congregation and especially the young people who return to school this fall and all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Confession of Sin

BCP p 360

Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: **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.

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

Blessing of Backpacks

We invite the children to come forward at this time with their backpacks.

The Peace

The celebrant greets the people saying:

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Greet one another with the peace of Christ

At the Offertory Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten, BWV 647

J. S. Bach

Hymn 380 The Doxology (v. 3)

THE EUCHARIST

Form B, BCP p 367

The people remain standing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus, Hymnal S-129

Robert Powell (*b.* 1932)

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. _____

The Celebrant continues:

We give thanks to you, O God, etc.

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All: **We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, etc.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p 365

The celebrant introduces the prayer saying:

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

After the host is broken, the people join in singing:

Agnus Dei, Hymnal S-163

Powell

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God

- All people are welcome to receive communion at the Lord's table in this place. -

Communion Hymn 635 "If thou but trust in God to guide thee"

Wer nur den lieben Gott

The Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p 366

Celebrant: Let us pray:

All: **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Hymn WLP 801 "God be with you till we meet again"

Randolph

The Dismissal

Leader: Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten, BWV 642

J. S. Bach

Please join us after the service for coffee and refreshments in the Loring Room, through the door at the front of the church on your right. You are welcome to take this leaflet with you for your reflection on the scripture readings during the week and for a reminder of coming events.

Participants in this Sunday's service:

Celebrant The Rev. David Killian
Eucharistic Minister Tim Strayer
Lector Carmen Pancerella
Acolyte Toby Gilpin
Altar Guild Bryn Wood
Music Director Jeffrey Mills
Ushers Nancy Bowler-Goeselt
Tom Wood
Coffee Hour Bowler-Goeselt Family
Collections **Kate Reeder (VP)**

Wardens Laura Brewer
Brian Goeselt

Participants in next Sunday's service:

Celebrant The Rev. Eric Litman
Eucharistic Minister Laura Brewer
Lector Alec Schoeck
Acolyte Brendan McGee
Altar Guild Jane Huston
Music Director Jeffrey Mills
Ushers Alastair Battson
Alec Schoeck
Church Potluck
Collections **Laura Brewer (VP)**
Kevin McGee
Wardens Laura Brewer
Brian Goeselt

Front cover: Icon of this Sunday's Gospel, Luke 14:25-33

Prayer Requests

The Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer

We Pray for the faithful in Ghana and Nigeria.

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. Peter's Church, Beverly
St. John's Church, Beverly Farms
All Saints Episcopal Church of the North Shore,
Danvers
St. John's Church, Gloucester

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

We Pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church
of Sudan.

Birthdays:

Christian Dufresne, 9/14

Wedding Anniversaries:

Beth & Alastair Battson, 9/11

Pray for Healing:

...remembering especially **Rev. Robert** Hammett, **Sally** Hammett, **Edwin** Matuzek, **Devon** Merrick, **Diane** Joyce, **Joan** Schmid, **Sara** Winslow Adams, **Phyllis** Dumas, **Margaret** Fitzgerald, **Cathy** Gallant, **Philip** Lanyon, **Hank** Ullman, **Ann** Olson, **Suzanne** Seckel Rodkey & **Grant** Rodkey, **Betsy**, **Peggy** Mills, **Nick**, **Alyssa**, **Tom** Rieley, **Karen** Medin, **Lee** Barstow, **Judy** Stanton, **Phoebe**, **Barbara**, **Gary** Ruppert, **Peter**, **Richard**, **Charlotte** Hudson, **Peter**, **Nathaniel**, and **Karen** Harris.



St. John's Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 8

10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
5:00 pm OA Group Meeting (*DiMauro Hall*)

Monday, September 9

6:30-8:30 pm EfM Meeting (*Loring Room*)
7:00 pm Bowen Parent Orientation (*Lower Hall*)

Tuesday, September 10

9-4:30 pm Newton Watercolor Society
(*DiMauro Hall*)

Wednesday, September 11

9-4:30 pm Newton Watercolor Society
(*DiMauro Hall*)
7:30-9 pm Boundless Way Zen (*DiMauro Hall*)

Thursday, September 12

9-4:30 pm Newton Watercolor Society
(*DiMauro Hall*)
4:45-7 pm Red Fire Farm CSA (*DiMauro Hall*)
7:30-9 pm Choir Rehearsal (*DiMauro Hall*)

Friday, September 13

9-4:30 pm Newton Watercolor Society
(*DiMauro Hall*)

Saturday, September 14

5:30-7:30 pm Bowen Back-to-School Picnic

Sunday, September 15

10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
followed by Church Luncheon
5:00 pm OA Group Meeting (*Loring Room*)

Notices

Farewell to Bridge Priest and “Backpack Sunday” Sept 8

At the 10:00 am Holy Eucharist and during the social hour we bid farewell and thank you to the Rev. Dr. David A. Killian, who has served as our Bridge Priest since February. We thank him for being our pastor and spiritual guide working with our Vestry and lay leaders to prepare the transition to a Priest in Charge. Also, during today's service we will ask children and teens to bring their backpacks forward to receive a blessing and small gift as they embark on a new school year.



Welcome to new Priest in Charge and Homecoming Sunday on September 15

Please join us for the 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist on September 15 as we welcome our new Priest in Charge, the Rev. Eric Litman, and welcome back the Choir. Potluck to follow the worship service.

St. John's Church School Begins on September 22

Church school for pre-school to grade 12 will begin on September 22 (not Sept 15) at 10 am so children and their families can participate in welcoming the new Priest in Charge on September 15. Please register now with Jan Gilpin (jgilpin@gilp.net) or Nicky Chapman (nutternicky@hotmail.com). Childcare is provided for young children not attending Church School. If you have questions and/or are willing to volunteer, please contact Jan or Nicky.

St. John's Bulletin Board

On your way into the social hour please take a few moments to view the new bulletin board for St. John's News, What's Happening, Church School, Community Outreach, Welcome Committee, Photo Gallery, Book Group and more. If you have items for the bulletin board, please contact Kate Reeder at katherine.reeder@gmail.com or Josh Caudill at admin@saintjohnschurch.com.

Thank You!

Thank you to Alec Schoeck for his great work as chef, to Kate Reeder for donating the new grill, and to all who brought food, helped set up and take down the tables and chairs at last Sunday's fabulous outdoor barbeque. Very enjoyable!

St. John's Book Group

The St John's Book Group will have their first monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 17th at 7:30 pm. We meet in the Loring Room, and we will be discussing our summer selection, "Pachinko" and author, Min Jin Lee. We would love to see some new faces in our group. Please come and join us and bring a friend! Maybe you've read some interesting books over the summer that you'd like to talk about, and possibly recommend for our October gathering! All are welcome! Contact Paula DiMauro (paularuthd@aol.com) for more information.

Today's Women in Music

Nadia Boulanger (1887-1979) was the most noted teacher of composition in the Western world during the twentieth century. Her students included Aaron Copeland, Roy Harris, Leonard Bernstein, Virgil Thomson, Darius Milhaud, and Philip Glass. She was the first woman to conduct many major symphony orchestras, including the BSO. **Elizabeth Cosnett** (b. 1936) is a hymnodist from Liverpool. She served as Executive President of the Hymn Society of Great Britain and Ireland from 1999 to 2002. She wrote the text of today's hymn before the Gospel.





To Our Visitors

*Welcome to Saint John's!
We are happy that you are with us.*

Welcome! Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please fill out a visitor's card found in the pew and put it in the offering plate, hand it to a greeter or usher, or give to our clergy. We look forward to getting to know you better.

Handicapped Entrance: St. John's is handicapped-accessible through the ramp and door on Otis Street. Please ask an usher for assistance. If you need to remain in your pew to receive Communion, please make this known to an usher.

Children: Church School for Kindergarten to Grade 12 is available at 10 am. To enroll your children in Church School, please talk with the church school coordinators or an usher.

Nursery: We have professional staff in our nursery from 10 am until after the worship service to care for children three years and younger. Please ask an usher for directions. Of course, you are also welcome to keep your children with you during the service!

Liturgy: The Episcopal Church is rich in tradition and liturgy. If you are not familiar with Episcopal worship services, please note that the service is taken from the red *Book of Common Prayer*; music is from the blue book, *Hymnal 1982* and from the green book, *Wonder, Love & Praise*. In the Order of Service, readings from the *Prayer Book* are identified by the abbreviation *BCP* before the page number; selections from the *Hymnal* are preceded by the word *hymn*, and from *Wonder, Love & Praise by WLP*. Service music is in the front of the *Hymnal* and is noted with an *S* before each number. If standing or kneeling is uncomfortable, feel free to sit.

Communion: All who seek God are welcome to receive Communion. Children are invited to come to the rail to receive Communion or a blessing, at the discretion of their parents. At the rail you may stand or kneel. The priest will serve you the consecrated bread and then an assistant will serve the consecrated wine.

Restrooms: Restrooms can be reached through the door at the front of the church. For directions, please ask an usher.



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The Rt. Reverend Alan M. Gates, Bishop of
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The Rt. Rev. Gayle Elizabeth Harris, Suffragan
Bishop of Massachusetts

*All baptized members of St. John's are ministers of the
Parish*

The Rev. Dr. David A. Killian, Bridge Priest
Laura Brewer, Brian Goeselt, Wardens
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Alastair Battson, Rhys Bowen, Phoebe Robinson
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Jan Gilpin, Kate Reeder, Alec Schoeck
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Jeffrey Mills, Organist and Choirmaster
Joshua Caudill, Parish Administrator

Licensed Lay Readers/Eucharistic Ministers:
Laura Brewer, Brian Goeselt, Marina Matuzek,
Abby Strayer, Tim Strayer, Jessica Zabchuk Dion