



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

October 8, 2017

8:00 and 10:00 AM

The Ministers of the Liturgy

Celebrant/Preacher	The Rev. Barbara Thrall
Altar Guild	Anne Viets, Becky Knotts, Irene Ring
Linens	Anne Viets
Flower Guild	Bonnie Adams, Helen Mahler
Food Delivery Team	Robert and Lesley Frazar

8:00 am

Lector	Scott Bailey
Psalmist	Ginny Hebert
Usher	Debbie Bruno

10:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers	Howard Carney, Sue Cole
Lectors	Tanya Kellogg, Sherrie Denison
Acolyte	Eliza Mueller, Jessica Isler, Nancy Mueller
Ushers	Mark Mueller, Chris Steger
Counters	Anita MacDonald, Chris Davis

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The Word Of God

Voluntary

Pastorale

Johann Sebastian Bach

Introit St. Francis Handbell Choir

Spirit Dance

John C. Dare

Hymnal 518

Christ is made the sure foundation

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Priest and People offer the Collect of Purity

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.

at 8 am Glory to you

Book of Common Prayer, p. 356

**Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you, beholding the depths;
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

At 10 am Glory to you, Lord God of our Fathers

Hymnal S236

1. Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord
God of our fa - thers; _____ you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. _____ 2. Glo - ry to you _____

_ for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; ___ we will
 praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. ___
 3. Glo - ry to you ___ in the splen - dor of your
 tem - ple; ___ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
 you. ___ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
 ween the Cher - u - bim; ___ we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. ___
 5. Glo - ry to you, ___ be - hold - ing the
 depths; ___ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to
 you. ___ 6. Glo - ry to you, ___ Fa - ther,
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; ___ we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. ___

Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 80:7-14

At 8 am

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; *
you cast out the nations and planted it.

9 You prepared the ground for it; *
it took root and filled the land.

- 10 The mountains were covered by its shadow *
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.
- 11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea *
and its branches to the River.
- 12 Why have you broken down its wall, *
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
- 13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, *
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
- 14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;
behold and tend this vine; *
preserve what your right hand has planted.

Psalm 80:7-14 at 10 am *The people sing the verses in bold type.*



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The Second Lesson

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

At 10 am **Lift Every Voice and Sing II 165**

I'm pressing on the upward way

Priest The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.'" So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?" Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Barbara Thrall

The people stand.

The Nicene Creed

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

Deacon

Creator, Spirit, Word, you freely give to us of your abundant love. We are the recipients of your compassion and infinite mercy. Grant that we may open our hearts to share from our abundance as you have shown us.

Intercessors

Let us pray that we are one voice, one heart with all those who profess to follow Jesus and that together we will be moved to share from that which God has given to us to sustain our common ministries.

For this we pray:

Open our hearts, O God.

Let us pray for this great nation of ours, for all our leaders, that there be a recognition of how blessed we are and a corresponding outpouring of mercy, love and compassion that others may share from our abundance.

For this we pray:

Open our hearts, O God.

Let us pray for this world that our God has created that we all may be more attentive to the hurts and needs of others throughout God's creation, that we may fully understand that our gifts are given to endow others.

For this we pray:

Open our hearts, O God.

Let us pray for the communities in which we live, for the needs of our neighbors, for the businesses that employ us, for the schools and the university that educate us, for the people we see and recognize and for those whom we have yet to come to know.

For this we pray:

Open our hearts, O God.

Let us pray for those amongst us who go through their days feeling unrecognized, for those who do not know how to ask and deeply need to receive of our love, and for all those who need God's grace.

For this we pray:

Open our hearts, O God.

We give thanks for Irene Ring's grandchildren and her family for whom the altar memorials have been given. Let us pray for the intentions and the people that each of us holds in our hearts.

(Silence during which the congregation is invited to offer specific names)

For this we pray:

Open our hearts, O God.

Let us pray for all those who have died, especially Bob Dyer for whom the sanctuary lamp burns. Let us honor their memories and be grateful for the ways in which they so generously gave of their gifts during their lifetimes.

For this we pray:

Open our hearts, O God.

Celebrant

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister 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.

Celebrant

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.

The People stand.

The Peace

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

The Great Thanksgiving

An offering of money is received (during the anthem at 10 am). Then the people stand to sing the hymn while the gifts of money, wine and food are offered.

At 10 am **Anthem**

Grant Us Your Peace

Felix Mendelssohn

*Grant us your peace, O loving Lord
Our rock and firm foundation,
Our faith is in your excellent Word*

*Speaking to every nation.
Your promise of sure salvation.*

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Music: Felix Mendelssohn

Hymnal 495 (vv. 1-3)

Hail, thou once despised Jesus!

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.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

A preface appropriate to the season is inserted here.

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:

Celebrant and People

At 8 am

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

At 10 am

The Hymnal, S125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

At 8 am

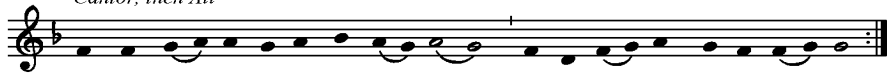
Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

At 10 am *Enriching our Music 2 – 147*

Hurd

Cantor, then All



We who are man-y are one bo - dy, for we all share in the one bread.

Cantor



We break this bread to share in the Bo - dy of Christ.

All



We who are man-y are one bo - dy, for we all share in the one bread.

Setting: Mode 6, based on *Ubi caritas*, adapt. David Hurd © 1998 David Hurd.
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The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to receive the presence of God in the Bread and Wine at our Altar. Standing or kneeling is appropriate at the Altar rail. To receive the bread, place one hand over the other and the wafer will be placed in your palm. To receive the wine, you may take a sip from the chalice, or dip the

edge of your wafer into the wine. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please signal us by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers and chalice are available; please let us know if you require that. If you are unable to come to the Altar please inform an usher, and Communion will be brought to you. If you want to learn more about the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion, please speak with Mother Nancy.

At 10 am **Hymnal 341**

For the bread which you have broken

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

All stand.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant blesses the people, who respond

Amen.

The Deacon dismisses the people, who respond

Thanks be to God.

Hymnal 448

O love, how deep, how broad, how high

Voluntary

Guide me ever, great Redeemer

J. Bert Carlson

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please take this list home for use in your daily prayers. We are happy to add your concerns. Please email office@atonementwestfield.net or call 562-5461. Listings will be for six months or as requested.

Altar Memorials are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for her grandchildren and her family; offered by Irene Ring

Sanctuary Lamp burns to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Bob Dyer; offered by Dorothy Dyer

Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer

The Dioceses of Saint Albans, Saint Albans-Bedford, and Saint Albans-Hertford (England)

Diocesan Prayer Cycle

For the repose of the soul of The Rt. Rev. Thomas Frederick Davies, II. Bishop of Western Mass Sherrill House, Boston

Strawberry Festival Beneficiary 2017 Boys & Girls Club Summer Weekend Food Program

We offer thanksgiving for the wedding yesterday of Julia Macy Stroud and Caitlin Elizabeth Offinger.

For all victims of natural disaster

For these families and individuals

Phoebe, Dot, Louise, Allan, Art, Judy, Charlotte, Mary, Rita, Ruth, Virginia, Ruby, Dotti, Roger, Thelma, Vivian, Stephen H., Kristy, Helene, John, Norm, Roger, Deb, Norton, Louise, Gerry, Catherine, Bill, Betty, Marsha, Robert, Sam, Ginny, Sue, Paul, Mary and Richard, Lisa, Jennifer, Nolan, Joyce, John, Lea, Lynn, Mary, Jeff, Bill, Jack, Sarah and Roger, Tom, Candy, Seth

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILD CARE is offered in the Cribbery

THE WESTFIELD FARMERS' MARKET takes place on the lawn of the church **THIS SATURDAY** from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm before moving indoors for **3 MORE SATURDAY MARKETS**. Mark your calendars: November 18, December 9, and February 10th 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. **This week: Music all day** supported by the Westfield Cultural Council, **Part-Time Vendors: It Makes Scents by Michelle Larocque and Mike Koivisto, Woodworker. 1:00 Cooking Demonstration - 7B's Restaurant.** Thanks to a generous grant from an anonymous donor, **SNAP customers receive an additional weekly match up to \$5.00** when they purchase tokens at the Market table with their **SNAP EBT** card. Anyone who wishes to extend the life of this special benefit to assist those in need of food assistance may donate to the Westfield Farmers' Market SNAP fund.

BROWN BAG PROJECT The Westfield Food Pantry has said "We are in need of **canned veggies** in the worst way." So let us give in the best way! For personal care, they still need **hand soap** (keeping those school days hands clean and germ free). New bags are available for the month of October. A simple purchase goes a long way for those who need our help. Thank you for supporting the Westfield Food Pantry.

COFFEE HOUR is hosted by members of the congregation. Please sign up on the white board in the Narthex.

RUMMAGE SALE October 27 & 28. Please donate used clothing, shoes, linens, curtains, drapes, household items, pictures, small electrical appliances (must be in working order), toys, games, books, Christmas items. **NO HEAVY ITEMS PLEASE.** Donations may be delivered to the stage in Great Hall Tuesdays through Fridays and Sundays 7:30 am – 12:30 pm. For more information see the flyer in the pews or speak to Sarah Beard. Helpers needed!

UNICEF COLLECTION: A Unicef video presentation will be shown at Coffee Hour on Oct. 22nd and collection boxes will be given out. For more info or to make a donation contact Jeff Gosselin. Return boxes by Nov. 5th. Thank you for your support. UNICEF-"A future for every child."

THIS WEEK AT ATONEMENT

- Sunday, Oct. 8 The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Barbara Thrall, guest Preacher and Celebrant
8 am Holy Eucharist
10 am Holy Eucharist, Cribbery and Children's Word
2:00-3:30 pm AA Women's Fellowship (SMG)
- Monday, Oct. 9 *8-9 pm AA Meeting (Great Hall)*
- Tuesday, Oct. 10 *10:00 am Music Together Class (SMG)*
2:00 pm to 4:00 pm Rector's office hours at Westfield State
- Wednesday, Oct. 11 *11:30 am – 12:30 pm HUB Yoga (SMG)*
12:15 pm Healing & Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
7-8:30 pm OA Meeting (Great Hall)
- Thursday, Oct. 12 6:30 pm Evensong (Church)
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
7:30-9:00 pm NA Meeting (Great Hall)
- Friday, Oct. 13
- Saturday, Oct. 14 10:00 am – 4:00 pm **FARMERS' MARKET** (Lawn)
- Sunday, Oct. 15 The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
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