

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 5, 2010



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Office hours: 9:00 until noon Tuesday and Wednesday,

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Hymns and Nursery

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with prayers for healing

Staff & Leadership

The Rev. Kelsey G. Hogue, Rector – 632-6853 (h) 641-5032 (c)

The Rev. Karen Anderson, 641-8799 (c)

The Rev. Robert Manasek, 436-7767 (h)

The Rev. Deacon Robert Brown, 632-2645 (h)

Today's Participants

Altar Guild: Shirley Mead, Samala Brown, Joyce Walsh

Lectors:	8:00 Kathee Flaherty	10:00 Shirley Mead
Intercessor:	8:00 Samala Brown	10:00 Jill Young
Ushers:	8:00 Tom Flaherty & Vic Brenizer	10:00 Steve Trickler & Santana Tamarak
Eucharistic Minister:		10:00 Jane Sayre
Deacon:		10:00 Robert Brown
		Acolytes:

Prayers and Thanksgivings

*To add or remove someone from the prayer list,
please see the list outside the chapel.*

In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Episcopal Church of the Sudan. In the diocesan cycle of prayer we remember the people of St. Stephen's – Grand Island and Licensed Lay Ministries, the Lakota Lutheran Center and Holy Apostles- Mitchell

For Strength and Healing

Peppi, Jim, Jane, Mark, Bill, Susan, Greg, Diana, Ashtyn, Addison, Ethel, Denise, Alison, Bonnie, Ardis, Glenn, Helen, Peggy, Tyler, Karry, Jeanne, Carol, Amy, Barbara, Deanna, Pauline, Kevin, Kim, Eric, Charles, Randy, Walter, Robert

For those serving in the Armed Forces

David, Thomas, Andy, Bryan, Scott, Colin, Ben, Trevor, Galen, Heather, Kelsey Graham, Zachary, Cameron, Casey, Kalen, Jesse, Bobby Jo, Matt, Patrick, Anna, Jessica

Birthdays

September 5	Elizabeth Calder
September 6	Travis Gable
September 7	Sandy Gable
September 8	Bob Barnwell
September 9	Dick Prohs
September 10	Jason Flammang
September 11	Noah Moreno

Anniversaries

September 5	Tylor & Stacy Petitt John & Peggy Wymore
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Flowers

Today's flowers are given by Martha Bullock in memory of her husband, Cecil, & his parents, Cecil and Margaret E. Bullock.

Ministry of the Word

Prelude Barb Becker

Hymn - Insert "O make this church a blessing Lord"

Opening Acclamation BCP p. 355
Collect for the Day (*kneel or sit*) p. 228

Collect: 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.**

The Lessons (*sit*) The responses for the readings and Gospel are found in the BCP p. 325 – 6

First Reading Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Psalm Psalm 1 BCP p. 585
Second Reading Philemon 1-21

Sequence Hymn #408 "Sing praise to God who reigns above"
The Gospel Luke 14:25-33

The Homily The Rev. Kelsey Hogue

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358
Prayers of the People Form IV BCP p. 388
Confession and absolution BCP p. 360

The Peace (*stand*)
Announcements and Blessings

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn- Insert "For the fruit of all creation"

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP p. 361
Sanctus "Holy, holy, holy" Insert (S-130)

(kneel after the Sanctus for the Great Eucharistic Prayer) P. 362

The Lord's Prayer p. 364

Fraction Anthem "Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,
"Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia."

Communion of the People: "Gifts of God for the people of God"

*All baptized Christians are welcome
to receive communion in the Episcopal Church*

Post-Communion Prayer BCP p. 366
Blessing
Closing Hymn #656 "Blest are the pure in heart"
Dismissal

BCP – Book of Common Prayer (red or black book in the pew)

Scripture readings used in today's worship

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 Page 585, BCP

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.

Luke 14: 25-33

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 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."

Announcements



A new Bible class on Wednesdays will begin on September 15th at 7pm. The leadership will be shared between Fr. Kelsey and Rae Whitney. It will begin with an overview of the Acts of the Apostles and then move to a study of St. Paul's letters. All are welcome!



St. Francis will be hosting the Soup Kitchen at the Presbyterian Church on Thursday, September 23rd at 5:00pm. If you are able to help, please contact Jill Young at 220-4111 or 637-7476.