

We welcome you this morning!
If you are visiting, we hope you enjoy worshipping with us today.

Officiant Rev Chris McCann **Aug 28, 2022**

Opening Hymn *Thou, whose almighty word* # 371

Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

Gloria S280

Collect Inserted

(Please be seated for the readings)

First Reading *Book of Sirach [10:12–18]*

Psalm 112

Second Reading *Letter to the Hebrews [13:1–8, 15–16]*

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia*

The Holy Gospel *Luke [14:1, 7–14]*

Sermon Rev Chris McCann

Intercessions BCP. p. 359

Parish prayer requests.....

- Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop, Arthur and William assisting bishops;
- For the Diocese, as we engage in the search for our next Bishop
- For the whole world for which Jesus offered himself as a saving source of our reconciliation with God: for all who strive for peace with justice in God's creation. For our civic life; for leaders in government, for all who work for the common good

•For the mission of the church, and especially for the ministry of Reconciliation and especially for clergy and congregations as we gather together to wait upon the Lord's and his appearing

•For the people of Ukraine, Syria, Yemen

Prayers for St Stephens Episcopal Church in Vestavia Hills, Alabama. For Rev. John Burruss and the church families. Praying to end gun violence

• For all who have asked our prayers: Joan, Suzanne, Jeannette, Doug, Carolyn, Jaime, Katie, Rae, Nancy, Karmen, Grace, Kenny, Cathy, Jim, Lindsay, Wendy, Bob, Roger, Mark, David, Peggy, Karen...for all who are distressed and discouraged because of illness,...and all those we name either silently or aloud

• For the Faithful Departed:

The Peace

Offertory Hymn *Praise my soul the king of heaven* # 410

Prayer Over The Gifts

Celebrant: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine

People: *All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP p 361

Sanctus S130

Lord's Prayer S149

Fraction Sentence

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

Communion - Instrumental music

(Please kneel)

Prayer after Communion

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(Please stand)

Closing Hymn *Earth and all stars*

#412

Chalice Bearer: John Gregory

Lectors: Grace Butcher & Cindy Lorenczi

Organist: Jean Spangler

Today's Readings**Twelfth Sunday
after Pentecost**

Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Book of Sirach [10:12-18]

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their places. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women. *The Word of the Lord.*

Psalm

112

1 Hallelujah!

Happy are they who fear the Lord *

and have great delight in his commandments!

2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *

the generation of the upright will be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *

and their righteousness will last for ever.

4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.
6 For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right;
they put their trust in the Lord.
8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
9 They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.
10 The wicked will see it and be angry;
they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
the desires of the wicked will perish.

Second Reading

Letter to the Hebrews [13:1–8, 15–16]

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, “I will never leave you or forsake you.” So we can say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?” Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not

neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *The Word of the Lord.*

Gospel

Luke [14:1, 7–14]

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.” He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.” *The Gospel of the Lord.*

PARISH PICNIC

The parish will be holding a parish picnic on September 11, following worship services. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. A sign-up sheet is found on the foyer table.

Metro Food Bank Project

The next Metro Food Bank event will be on **Sept 17, 2022**. Volunteer sign-up online www.stlukechardon.org, in food pantry info.