

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

**Officiant Rev Chris McCann** **June 19, 2021**

**Opening Hymn** *Praise to the living God* # 372

**Collect for Purity** BCP p. 355

**Gloria** S280

**Collect** Inserted

*(Please be seated for the readings)*

**First Reading** *Book of Isaiah [65:1–9]*

**Psalm** *22:18-27*

**Second Reading** *Letter of Paul to the Galatians [3:23–29]*

**Gospel Acclamation** *Alleluia*

**The Holy Gospel** *Luke [8:26–39]*

**Sermon** John Gregory

**Intercessions** BCP. p. 305

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, Ginny, Jeannette, Doug, Carolyn, Jaime, Katie, Rae, Nancy, Karmen, Grace, Kenny, Cathy, Jim, Lindsay, Wendy, Bob, Roger, Mark ...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** *Dear Lord and father of mankind* # 652

**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**

BCP p. 366

*(Please stand)*

**Closing Hymn**    *Bright the vision that delighted*

Insert

**Chalice Bearer:** Fawn O'Hara

**Lectors:** Gary & Kate Witosky

**Organist:** Jean Spangler

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**Today's Readings**

**Second Sunday  
after Pentecost**

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**Collect**

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; 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 Isaiah [65:1-9]*

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the Lord; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. Thus says the Lord: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall

inherit it, and my servants shall settle there. *The Word of the Lord.*

**Psalm**  
*22:18-27*

18 Be not far away, O Lord; \*  
you are my strength; hasten to help me.  
19 Save me from the sword, \*  
my life from the power of the dog.  
20 Save me from the lion's mouth, \*  
my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.  
21 I will declare your Name to my brethren; \*  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.  
22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him; \*  
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;  
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.  
23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;  
neither does he hide his face from them; \*  
but when they cry to him he hears them.  
24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*  
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who  
worship him.  
25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: \*  
“ May your heart live for ever!”  
26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to  
the Lord, \*  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.  
27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; \*  
he rules over the nations.

**Second Reading**  
*Letter of Paul to the Galatians [3:23–29]*

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise. *The Word of the Lord.*

**Gospel**  
*Luke [8:26–39]*

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”—for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told

them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him. *The Gospel of the Lord.*

Join us for knitting Wednesdays at 3:30p in the conference room. All are welcome. Crocheting too. We can teach you if you want to learn.

**Metro Food Bank Project**

The next Metro Food Bank event will be on **July 16, 2022**. Volunteer sign-up online [www.stlukechardon.org](http://www.stlukechardon.org), in food pantry info.