READINGS FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2020

8 a.m. JoElla Hauselman – Please keep your mask on. 10:15 a.m. Steve Shelby – Please keep your mask on.

A Reading from the Book of Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD. You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

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Please read together

Psalm 1 found in your bulletin or on page 585 in the Book of Common Prayer

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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A Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord.

8 a.m. JoElla Hauselman – Please keep your mask on.

Prayers of the People- 8 a.m.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Douglas our Bishop, and for Fr. Ryan, our Pastor that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald our President and Eric our Governor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor; all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially for Annette, Pat, Leah, Payton, Renita, Judy, George, Eldon, Earlene, Tim, Loretta, Christy, Peggy, Bob, Lin, Lutie, Wayne, Janice, Lynn, Gary, Olivia, Cindy, Ana, Dusty, Javier, Zach, Marc, Jessica, Nanette, Danielle, Elsie, Mark, Mary Alys, Tom, the Schope, Shuherk, Maze, Howe, Ellis, DeMuth, Gast, Priser, Singrey, Nichols, Hudson, McCreary, Jagger, and Wilson families. We pray for those in the Armed Forces: Matt, Bradley, Caleb, Michael, Jake, Nate, Rod, Joseph, Leah, Ryan, Ethan, and Colton. We pray for all parishes in the Diocese of Northern Indiana. We pray for all persons affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. We pray for immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers and for the reunification of families separated at the southern border. We ask that you would make us instruments of your peace in our community and throughout the world.

Silence

and those whom we now name _____.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life, in thy faith and fear, [remembering: *Eleanor, Jim Shuherk, Judy, Mary, Steve Gast, Steve Priser, Vivian, Candi, Jim Nichols, DeAnna, and Adam,* and those whom we now name _____, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Anne, and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

10:15 a.m. Steve Shelby - Please keep your mask on.

Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Douglas our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Annette, Pat, Leah, Payton, Renita, Judy, George, Eldon, Earlene, Tim, Loretta, Christy, Peggy, Bob, Lin, Lutie, Wayne, Janice, Lynn, Gary, Olivia, Cindy, Ana, Dusty, Javier, Zach, Marc, Jessica, Nanette, Danielle, Elsie, Mark, Mary Alys, Tom, the Schope, Shuherk, Maze, Howe, Ellis, DeMuth, Gast, Priser, Singrey, Nichols, Hudson, McCreary, Jagger, and Wilson families. We pray for those in the Armed Forces: Matt, Bradley, Caleb, Michael, Jake, Nate, Rod, Joseph, Leah, Ryan, Ethan, and Colton. We pray for all parishes in the Diocese of Northern Indiana. We pray for all persons affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. We pray for immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers and for the reunification of families separated at the southern border. We ask that you would make us instruments of your peace in our community and throughout the world.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord; For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, remembering _____, *Eleanor, Jim Shuherk, Judy, Mary, Steve Gast, Steve Priser, Vivian, Candi, Jim Nichols, DeAnna, and Adam, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.*

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept. You may stand or kneel as you prefer.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect

October 25, 2020

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew 22:34-46

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.