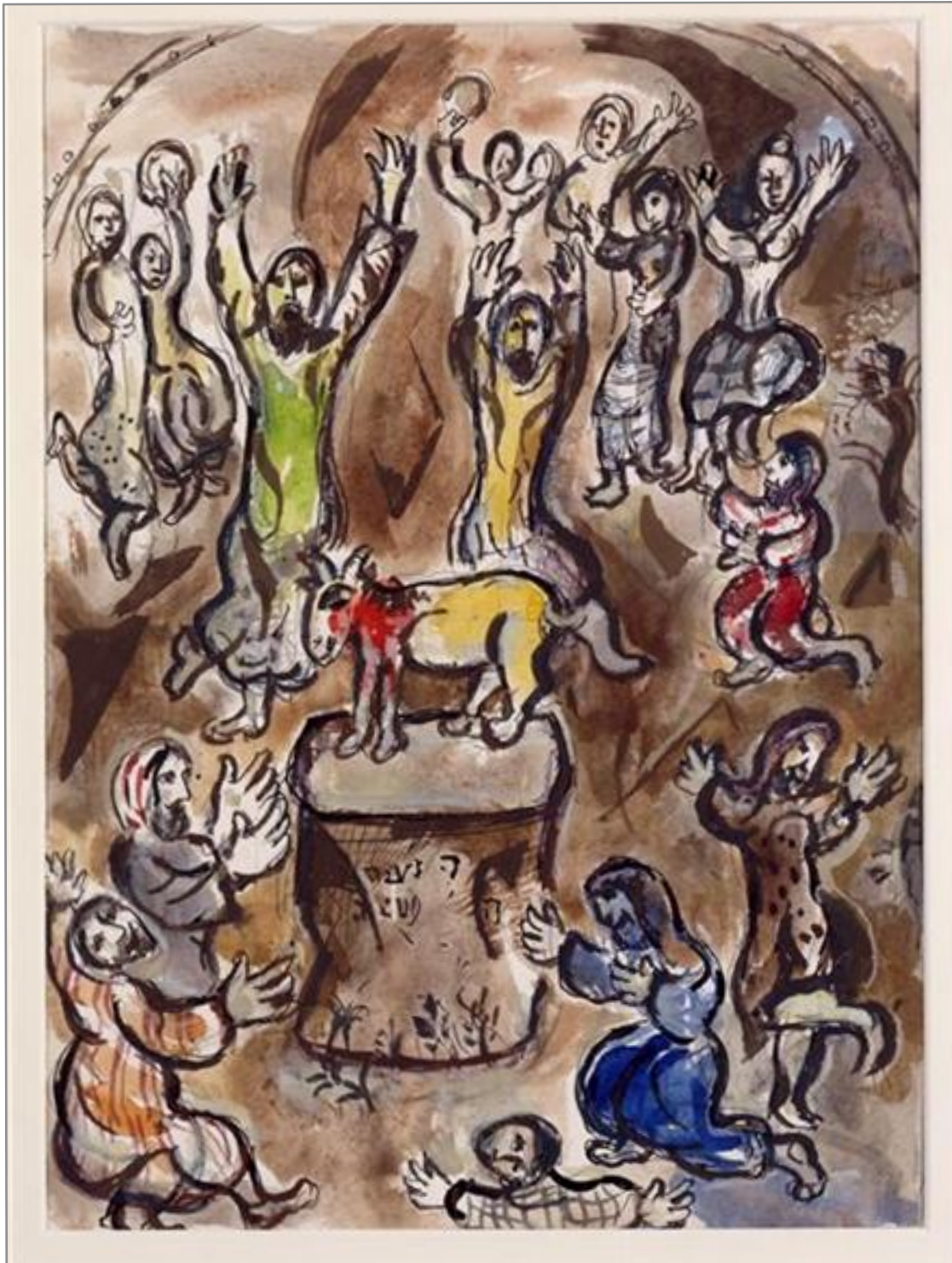


# The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2020 10:00 a.m.

At-Home Packet

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*Adoration of the Golden Calf* by Marc Chagall, 1966

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# GATHERING

## Preparing for Virtual Worship

Set up a space in your home for worship and prayer. Light a candle, set out a cross or icon to help you focus; set your phone on Do Not Disturb, wash your hands. Take a few deep breaths and say a short prayer to prepare your heart to “enter” a different kind of space. We recommend the Collect for 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.*

## Prelude: *Two Settings of “Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness”* J. S. Bach Johannes Brahms

*This morning’s prelude features two settings of Hymn 339. Bach’s (1685-1750) setting comes from a set of 18 chorale preludes he compiled during the last years of his life. They were significant revisions of earlier works, prepared for publication as a summary of his artistry in the genre. Brahms (1833-1897) also prepared a set of chorale preludes for the organ at the end of his life. The genre, forever associated with Bach, was for Brahms a means of paying homage to his musical heritage. He followed the conventions of the form, the most important of which was to paraphrase and elaborate upon the lines of pre-existing Lutheran hymn melodies.*

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## Opening Acclamation

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

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

## THE WORD OF GOD

### The Collect of the Day

*Priest* Let us pray.

**Lord**, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### The First Reading

**Exodus 32:1-14**

**W**hen the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, “Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.” Aaron said to them, “Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.” So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” When Aaron saw this, he built an

altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

## **The Gospel**

## **Matthew 22:1-14**

**O**nce more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

*Priest*      The Word of the Lord.

**People**    **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn of the Day: *Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness*

Hymn 339

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness, leave the gloomy haunts of sadness, come into the daylight's splendor, there with joy thy praises render unto him whose grace unbounded hath this wondrous banquet founded: high o'er all the heavens he reigneth, yet to dwell with thee he deigneth. Sun, who all my life dost brighten; Light, who dost my soul enlighten; Joy, the best that any knoweth; Fount, whence all my being floweth: at thy feet I cry, my Maker, let me be a fit partaker of this blessed food from heaven, for our good, thy glory, given. Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me gladly here obey thee; never to my hurt invited, be thy love with love requited; from this banquet let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep its treasure; through the gifts thou here dost give me, as thy guest in heaven receive me.

*Anglican hymnody has been greatly enriched by the incorporation of German chorales in English translation. Those by English hymn writer Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878) were the most enduring. If we think of the perennial Christmas carol, "Deck the Halls," we capture the spirit of the opening line. Our souls are decked with joy because of the feast to which we are invited. Our excitement is heightened because the writer places the joy of the occasion in antithesis to "gloomy haunts of sadness." Our only response is to fall at the feet of our Maker—the host of this feast.*

Words: Johann Franck (1618-1677); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.  
Music: *Schmücke dich*, melody Johann Cruger (1598-1662); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

## Prayers of the People

Form III, BCP 387

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*The celebrant concludes with prayers and a collect*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Priest and People*

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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Announcements**

### **The Offertory Solo: Rejoice in the Lord Always**

**Richard W. Gieseke**

Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all people. The Lord is at hand.

**Thomas Middleton, soloist**

*Richard Gieseke (b. 1952) had a long church music career, serving Lutheran parishes in Illinois and Missouri. He currently enjoys retirement in Manchester, Missouri, where he finds the opportunity to spend some of each day composing new music.*

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## **The Peace**

*Priest*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*      **And also with you.**

### **Postlude: Concerto in C Major, BWV 595**

**J. S. Bach**  
**after Prince Johann Ernst**

*Johann Ernst of Saxe-Weimar (1696-1715) was a German prince. Despite his early death he is remembered as a collector and commissioner of music and as a composer, some of whose concertos were arranged for organ by Bach, who was court organist in Weimar at the time. At age 15, Ernst went to the Netherlands to study law. He encountered the music of Vivaldi, and brought copies back to Weimar, where they would influence his own compositions and those of Bach. Bach made this arrangement from a violin concerto by the young composer.*

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## PARISH INTERCESSION LIST

*You are invited to use this Intercession List to pray for those listed below.*

**For healthcare workers and teachers:** Heather, Michael B., Christine, Eric, Joan, Beth, Mac, Jodi, Courtney, Russ, Nicole, Jewellyn, Jana Kay, Steven, Pam, Marcille, Jesse, Laurie, Charles, Cilla, Jonea, Jennifer R., Jennifer S., Samuel, Mary, Jordan, Jeffrey, Kim, Michael T., Amber, Aaron, Sarah, Laurie, Carolyn, Jennifer, Chez, James., Cindy.

**For those celebrating birthdays:** Stevie Davis, Nancy Middlebrook, Marie Peterek, Carson Buckner, Sarah Loyd, Chase Almond, Shelly Botkin, Diane Brewer, Eliza Jackson, Ronnie Lee, Marilyn Mazac, Stephen White, Kelsey Hicks, Abigail Blanding, John Sieverman, Tina Stonebarger, Alicia Barker, Judy Elkins, Randy McNair, Liam Yeager.

**For those celebrating anniversaries:** Ashley & Philip Denniston, Lindsey & Michael Gehrig, Margaret Schlankey & Bill Pugsley.

**For those whom the Daughters of the King pray.**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Save the Date: M&M Meal, October 18th, 9:00 a.m.** via zoom. Join us for a BYO Breakfast Mission and Ministry meeting, as we look towards 2021. The access link will be on our home page on the morning of the event..

**New Rector's Book Club, Tuesdays, beginning October 20th, 7pm,** reading and discussing *The Abundant Community: Awakening the Power of Families and Neighborhoods*, by John McKnight. Options for purchase: [Amazon](#) or [Bookshop](#).

**Upcoming Compline: Wednesday, October 14th, 7:00 p.m.** Access from our website.

**Next Baptism opportunity: Sunday, November 1, 11:00 a.m..** Please contact Fr. Zac for more information: [zac@stmarksaustin.org](mailto:zac@stmarksaustin.org).

**Outdoor in-person Sunday eucharist services reservations (required) open each Monday prior to the Sunday service, and remain open until all spots are reserved.** RSVP links: [www.stmarksaustin.org](http://www.stmarksaustin.org).

- **8:00 a.m.** Parking lot Eucharist, (approximately 30-person limit)
- **11:00 a.m.** Family Picnic Eucharist, masks required for ages six and up.
- **6:30 p.m.** Meditation Trail Eucharist, (approximately 15-person limit).
- **Friendly reminders:** mask up, bring a chair, maintain 6-8 feet of physical distance.

**Sunday School, 9:00 a.m.,** with Rev. Dr. Nathan Jennings.: *Becoming Christians: Core Christian Practices in a time of Pandemic*. Link will be posted on our website.

## ONGOING EVENTS

- **Morning Prayer, Mondays - Fridays, 8:30 a.m.** Access links: [www.stmarksaustin.org](http://www.stmarksaustin.org).
- **Tuesdays: Noon Bible Study**, discussing the Gospel of Matthew with Mthr. Mary. The link is available under the [Virtual Gatherings](#) tab on our website.

## Ministers of the Service

### Lectors:

Phil Aboussie, Cindy Bogard, Becky & Henry Janes

**Peace videos from the following** (list may not be in order of appearance):  
The Ruiz & Pollard Families, Bo Overstreet.



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### **The Rt. Rev. Andy Doyle, *Bishop of Texas***

The Rev. Zac Koons, *Rector*

The Rev. Dr. Nathan Jennings, *Theologian-in-Residence*

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Barbara Gausewitz, *Seminarian*

Brandon Haynes, *Seminarian*

The Rev. Mary Keenan, *Curate*

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