

# Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 2, 2020 10:00 a.m.

At-Home Packet

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*Jacob Wrestling the Angel of God by Jack Baumgartner*

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# GATHERING

## Preparing for Virtual Worship

Set up a particular space in your home for worship and prayer. Light a candle, set out a cross or icon or something similar 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: Selections from *A Wesley Organbook*

**Alfred V. Fedak**

*Alfred V. Fedak (b. 1953) is Minister of Music and Arts at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Albany, New York. He holds degrees in Organ and Music History from Hope College and Montclair State University, and has done additional study at Westminster Choir College and in Austria and England. This collection based on melodies associated with texts of Charles Wesley was commissioned in 2006 for the 175th anniversary of a Methodist church in New York state.*

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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.

*Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

### The Old Testament

**Genesis 32:22-31**

*The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man*

wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

## **The Gospel**

**Matthew 14:13-21**

*J*esus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

*Priest*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## **Meditation**

**The Rev. Mary Keenan**

### **Hymn of the Day: *My God, Thy Table Now Is Spread***

**Hymn 321**

My God, thy table now is spread, thy cup with love doth overflow; be all thy children thither led, and let them thy sweet mercies know. O let thy table honored be, and furnished well with joyful guests; and may each soul salvation see, that here its sacred pledges tastes. Drawn by thy quickening grace, O Lord, in countless numbers let them come and gather from their Father's board the Bread that lives beyond the tomb. Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest till through the world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt.; st. 4, Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.  
Music: Rockingham, melody from Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature, ca. 1780;  
adapt. Edward Miller (1731-1807); harm. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816)

# 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 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: *Let Us Break Bread Together***

**African American Spiritual  
arr. Moses Hogan**

Let us break bread together on our knees, when I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, oh, Lord, have mercy on me. Let us drink wine together on our knees, when I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, oh, Lord, have mercy on me. Let us praise God together on our knees, when I fall down on my knees with my face to the rising sun, oh, Lord, have mercy on me.

**Thomas Middleton, soloist**

*Moses Hogan (1957–2003) was born into a New Orleans family life infused with the music of the Church. He received degrees from the Oberlin Conservatory and Juilliard before establishing himself as an internationally respected authority on African American Spirituals.*

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## The Peace

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

***People* And also with you.**

**Postlude: *Litany on “Let Us Plead for Faith Alone”*  
from *A Wesley Organbook***

**Alfred V. Fedak**

*Charles Wesley wrote the words to this hymn in 1740. They were based upon a sermon given by his brother John emphasizing the Wesleyan doctrine of justification by faith. The tune comes from The Foundery Collection of 1742, the first Methodist book of tunes.*

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## Eating Together: Suggestions for Your Table

We invite you to use this packet to deepen your home worship and provide thoughtful reflection for you and your family.

In today's Old Testament reading from Genesis, we read the following:

*Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.*

Who or what are you wrestling with in your mind and in your heart? Is it at the peril of your health? Have you suffered an injury, emotional or physical, or struggling to let go, forgive? Are you willing to trust in God and let him takeover, carry your burdens?

Here's a prayer you can use before dinner:

*God beyond all seeing and knowing, we meet you in the night of change and crisis, and wrestle with you in the darkness of doubt. Give us the will and spirit to live faithfully and love as we are loved. Amen.*



*Israel* by Mike Moyers, 2011

# PARISH INTERCESSION LIST

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

**For healthcare workers:** Heather Azarmehr, Christine Brunson, Eric Boudreau, Joan Chapmond, Beth Chenoweth, Mac Dailey, Jodi Doran, Courtney Farris, Russ Farris, Nicole Flores, Jana Kay Green, Steven Jennings, Marcille, Jesse Martin, Charles Osterberg, Cilla Parkinson, Jonea Raney, Jennifer Pollard Ruiz, Samuel, Mary Smith, Jordan Sondgeroth, Jeffrey Todd, Kim Todd, Michael Todd, Amber Featherstone-Uwague, Aaron Walpole.

**For those celebrating birthdays:** Nancy Hicks, Margaret Azarmehr, Chris Delfausse, Berit Kragas, Nicholas Sepos, Steven Siegismund, Sue Crowson, Kerstan Turman, Danielle Adkins, Eva Keenan, Christian Llull, Will Peers, Camille Quinones, Dodie Wells, Lisa Bortner, Laura Delfausse, Brian Hack, Kathleen Allen, Stella Stafford, Audra Bogard, Iona Olive.

**For those celebrating anniversaries:** Pat & Joe Bullock, Amelia & James Sondgeroth.

**For those who have died:** John A. Whitley, father of Mary Carole Sitzes.

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Sunday School & Coffee Hour, 9 a.m. with Mother Mary.**
- **Morning Prayer, Mondays - Fridays, 8:30 a.m.** via Zoom. Links posted on our website each day [www.stmarksaustin.org](http://www.stmarksaustin.org).
- **Contemplative Prayer Group, Saturdays, 9 a.m.** Access link [here](#).
- **Tuesdays: Noon Bible Study:** Mother Mary leads the group through a discussion on the Gospel of Matthew. This [link](#) will be active on day of the event.
- **Upcoming Compline:** August 19, 7:00 p.m.
- **Save the date: Sunday, August 23,** Blessing of Backpacks/learning devices,; details coming soon.

## *Ministers of the Service*

### **Lectors:**

Cindy Bogard, Mehron Azarmehr, Abbe & Mary-Alis Kelly

### **Peace videos from the following** (list may not be in order of appearance):

Cain Family, Callahan Family, Carroll Family, Yvonne Chavez, Jim Clark, Rose/Davis Family, Brownlee/Ramsey, Dodie Wells, White Family, Wilson Family.



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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*

Casey Bushman, *Director of Christian Formation*

Barbara Gausewitz, *Seminarian*

Irma Glover, *Sexton*

The Rev. Mary Keenan, *Curate*

Mark Reed, *Organist/Director of Music and Bookkeeper*

Joanne Foote, *Parish Administrator*

Karon Hammond, *Head of St. Mark's Day School*