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Sunday, August 31, 2014
at 8:00 a.m.

Celebrant and Preacher:

Revd. Fr. Larius Lewis.
Curate

Organist:
Mr. Audley Davidson

Jesus Predicts His Crucifixion

Once the disciples understood that Jesus was the Christ, Jesus began to talk about the cross. He revealed that he was going to be rejected by the authorities and killed and on the third day be raised to life (1:21). To Peter, these ideas seemed contradictory. Surely the Christ could not die! He expected Him to be recognized by the Jewish people and given the throne of his father David. In Peter's mind Jesus would then subdue the world on God's behalf from Zion (Jerusalem). Peter had no concept of a suffering Messiah, and so he took Jesus aside to rebuke Him.

It was Peter's strong faith in Jesus that caused him to rebuke Jesus. If Jesus is God how can God die? How can God suffer? Why would God suffer? But that would be the ultimate action of Jesus Christ in order to save the world. It was good that Peter had total faith in who Jesus was, but Peter was still thinking like the other Jews. They were expecting the Messiah to be a warrior like liberator. One who would restore the throne of David. But Jesus was on a different mission. Jesus' mission was not limited to the Jewish people and Jesus' mission transcended time, geographical space. Peter's concerns were petty and very limiting to Jesus' mission. So after Peter rebuked Jesus, Jesus in His wisdom rebuked Peter. Why would Jesus rebuke Peter? Even though he acknowledged who Jesus was, it was not his place to dictate or steer Jesus to do what he (Peter) would want to see Jesus do.

Jesus speaking about dying on a cross was not foolishness as Peter thought. It was not optional for Jesus; but it was necessary for Him to face it and take it up. Without suffering there could be no glory. So Jesus was prepared to die in order to save the whole world. His mission was not to destroy and dominate, but to sacrifice in order to redeem humanity. And Jesus expects no less from His disciples: self denial, cross bearing, and walking in the steps of Christ.

A warm welcome to all our visitors especially the Management and Staff of Jamaica National Building Society who are worshipping with us at the 8:00 a.m. service.

Larius

Order of Service

Introit: We've come this far by faith leaning on the Lord.
We've come this far by faith leaning on the Lord
Trusting in his Holy word, He never fail me yet
Oh..... Don't turn around, We've come this far by faith.

Opening Hymn: 384 'Praise to the Lord the Almighty'

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Sheildeth thee gently from harm or when fainting sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy heart wishes have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If to the end He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him;
Let the Amen sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

THE LITURGY

PRESIDENT: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL: **And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever.**
Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

COLLECT FOR PURITY

ALL: 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.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest.
And on earth peace to men of goodwill.
We praise You. We bless You. We adore You.
We glorify You. We give You thanks for Your great glory.
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father:
You who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
You who take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
You who sit at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you only are Holy. You only are the Lord. You only,
O Jesus Christ, are most high. Together with the Holy Spirit
in the glory of God the Father. In the glory of God the Father,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECTS

Proper 17

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, on God, for ever and ever *Amen*.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson.....Jeremiah 15:15 - 21 Monica Walker

Psalm.....26: 1 - 8

Second Lesson.....Romans 12: 1 - 8 Dorian Harris

Gradual Hymn: Rescue the perishing

Rescue the perishing, care for the dying,
snatch them in pity from sin and the grave;
weep o'er the erring one, lift up the fallen,
tell them of Jesus, the mighty to save.

Refrain:

**Rescue the perishing, care for the dying;
Jesus is merciful, Jesus will save.**

Though they are slighting him, still he is waiting,
waiting the penitent child to receive;
plead with them earnestly, plead with them gently;
he will forgive if they only believe.

Refrain

Down in the human heart, crushed by the tempter,
feelings lie buried that grace can restore;
touched by a loving heart, wakened by kindness,
chords that were broken will vibrate once more.

Refrain

Rescue the perishing, duty demands it;
strength for thy labor the Lord will provide;
back to the narrow way patiently win them;
tell the poor wanderer a Savior has died.

Refrain

Holy Gospel.....Matthew 16:21 - 27

Sermon ...

THE NICENE CREED (*All stand*)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen or unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit He was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered, died and was buried. On the third day He rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

Intercessory Hymn: I don't know about tomorrow

Prayer of Intercession.....

ACT OF PENITENCE

PRESIDENT

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

PRESIDENT

Let us therefore confess our sins.

ALL: Most Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

PRESIDENT

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

PRESIDENT

We are the body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL

Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

PRESIDENT

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Items: JN Chorale
Kezea Davis & company

THE MINISTRY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn 223 'Great Is Thy Faithfulness'

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been thou forever will be.

Refrain:

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. *Refrain*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRESIDENT

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere
to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God:

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and
archangels and with all the company of heaven,
who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL

**Holy, holy, holy
Lord God of power and might;
Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God of power and might;
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest. X4**

**Blessed is He who comes
In the name of the Lord,
Blessed is He who comes
In the name of the Lord,**

**Hosanna in the highest. X4
Hosanna in the highest.**

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.. Amen.**

**All
Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESIDENT

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL

**Our Father who art in heaven, holy, holy, holy be thy name
Our Father who art in heaven, holy be thy Name;
Thy kingdom come on earth;
Thy will be done on earth
Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, (repeat)
And forgive us our trespasses (repeat)
As we forgive those who trespasses against us
forgive us our trespasses
Do not lead us into temptation
Do not lead us into temptation (But)
Deliver us from all evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

PRESIDENT

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

ALL

**Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share
in one bread.**

THE AGNUS DEI

Oh Lamb of God, Oh Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world
Have mercy pon wi soul.

Oh Lamb of God, Oh Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world
Have mercy pon wi soul.

Oh Lamb of God, Oh Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world
Have mercy pon wi soul.

Oh Lamb of God, Oh Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world
Grant us your peace.

THE COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

COMMUNION HYMNS

Hymn: 'In moments like these'

In moments like these I sing out a song,	<i>Singing I love You, Lord.</i>
I sing out a love song to Jesus.	<i>Singing I love You, Lord.</i>
In moments like these I lift up my hands,	<i>Singing I love You, Lord,</i>
I lift up my hands to the Lord.	<i>I love You.</i>

Hymn: There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Chorus

Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove,
Stay right here with us, filling us with Your love.
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived,
When we shall leave this place.

There are blessings you cannot receive
Till you know Him in His fullness and believe;
You're the one to profit when you say,
"I am going to walk with Jesus all the way."

Hymn 509 "Take up thy cross," the Savior said,

"Take up thy cross," the Savior said,
"If thou wouldst My disciple be;
Deny thyself, the world forsake,
And humbly follow after Me."

Take up thy cross, let not its weight
Fill thy weak spirit with alarm;
His strength shall bear thy spirit up,
And brace thy heart and nerve thine
arm.

Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame,
Nor let thy foolish pride rebel;
Thy Lord for thee the cross endured,
And saved thy soul from death and
hell.

Take up thy cross then in His
strength,
And calmly sin's wild deluge brave,
'Twill guide thee to a better home,
It points to glory o'er the grave.

Take up thy cross and follow Christ,
Nor think til death to lay it down;
For only those who bear the cross
May hope to wear the glorious
crown.

To Thee, great Lord, the One in
Three,
All praise forevermore ascend:
O grant us in our home to see
The heavenly life that knows no
end.

Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross 133

Hymn 619

Hymn 305

Intercessory Hymn: I don't know about tomorrow

**I don't know about tomorrow;
I just live from day to day.
I don't borrow from its sunshine
For its skies may turn to grey.
I don't worry o'er the future,
For I know what Jesus said.
And today I'll walk beside Him,
For He knows what lies ahead.**

**Many things about tomorrow
I don't seem to understand
But I know who holds tomorrow
And I know who holds my hand.**

**Every step is getting brighter
As the golden stairs I climb;
Every burden's getting lighter,
Every cloud is silver-lined.
And the path that is my portion
May be through the flame or flood;
But His presence goes before me
And I'm covered with His blood.**

.POST COMMUNION PRAYER

ALL

**Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
May we who share His Body, live His risen life;
we who drink His cup, bring life to others;
we upon whom your Spirit shines, give light to the world.
Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your Name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recessional Hymn: 239 ‘The right hand of God’

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| 1. The right hand of God
is writing in our land,
Writing with power and with love;
Our conflicts and our fears,
Our triumphs and our tears,
Are recorded by the right hand of
God. | 4. The right hand of God
is healing in our land,
Healing broken bodies, minds and
souls;
So wondrous is its touch,
With love that means so much,
When we’re healed
by the right hand of God. |
| 2. The right hand of God
is pointing in our land,
Pointing the way we must go;
So clouded is the way,
So easily we stray,
But we’re guided by the right hand
of God. | 5. The right hand of God
is planting in our land,
Planting seeds of freedom, hope
and love;
In these Caribbean lands,
Let his people all join hands,
And be one with the right hand of
God |
| 3. The right hand of God
is striking in our land,
Striking out at envy, hate and
greed;
Our selfishness and lust,
Our pride and deeds unjust,
Are destroyed by the right hand of God. | |

PARISH NEWS

November 30, 2014 will be the beginning of our 350th Anniversary Celebrations.

Birthdays for this week: Olga Dunkley, Albert Mighty, Carole Willis & Jason Jones 8/31; Rema Buckley 1/09; Winsome Leon, Janice Thomas 3/09; Hugh Senior , Pascale James 6/09.

Condolence is extended to Denise Kitson and family on the passing of her mother Merle Brown

SAPC 2014 Rally and In-Giving, celebrating God's gifts. Contact Melrose Reid King Smith 449-7587.

Confirmation classes will commence on Wednesday September 10th, Juniors must be at least in 9th grade.

Moreton Park Fish Fry will take place on September 12th, in the Fellowship Court at 12 mid-day.

St. Clement's Mission celebrates its 100th year anniversary with a banquet at Pollyanna's Garden, 8 Stanton Terrace on Saturday 4th October 2014, Contribution \$4000.00 for tickets please contact the church office

Supper Committee will be having their meeting on September 4th at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Court.

Please remember to take your non-perishable items for the Dorcas Basket / Tuesday Charity.

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
August 31, 2014 - Year A Proper 17



10:30 a.m.

NO SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

EVENING PRAYER