

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 9, 2023 - Year A Proper 9

Living in the Spirit in a culture of diversity

July focus: Stewardship of Time, Talent and Spiritual gifts and Resources

6:30 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST

O. T. Lesson Genesis 24:34 - 38, 42 - 49, 58 - 67. Hilary Phillips
Psalm 45:11-18 **Refrain:** (all sit) *“O Lord, the people shall give you .
praise forever. Alleluia.”*
BCP page 482
Epistle Romans 7:15 - 25a Betty-Ann Jones
Gospel Matthew 11: 16 - 19, 25 - 30
Prayer of Intercession BCP Form C page 108

8:00 a.m. SOLEMN EUCHARIST AND SERMON

(Corporate for the Mothers' Union)

Processional 392 When morning gilds the skies
O.T Lesson Genesis 24:34 ... - 67 Dorothy Britton-McKenzie
Psalm 45:11-18 BCP page 482 **Chanted** (all stand)
Epistle Romans 7:15 - 25a Barbara Williams
Gradual 500 I heard the voice of Jesus say
(Children leave for Sunday School)
Gospel Matthew 11: 16 - 19, 25 - 30
Sermon Rev. Fr. Bertram Gayle
The Creed Hymn 561 (Tune Hyfrydol)
Intercession Form C page 108
Offertory 253 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
During Communion Solo, 569
Recessional 307 Forth in the peace of Christ we go

10:30 a.m. THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Prayer for the right use of God's gifts as stewards

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess: Grant us grace that we may honour you with our substance of time, talent and treasure, remembering the account which we must one day give, and be faithful stewards of your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Connecting to the streaming link for 8:00 a.m. Service

<https://www.facebook.com/sapcjamaica>.

The 8 a.m. service can also be viewed on Youtube.

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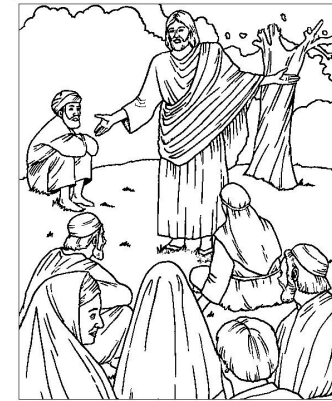
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Chapel of Ease:

St. Thomas - Majesty Gardens 10:30 a.m. and St. Clement's - Kencot 10:30 a.m.



INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:

**A Call to Intentional Discipleship,
*Living in the Spirit in a culture of diversity***

CLERGY

Rector/Curate	The Very Revd. Canon Sirrano Kitson, D. Min.
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The Rector is out of Office on Mondays

Faith Formation and Christian Education

Did you know ?

Although God gives us “all things richly to enjoy,” nothing is ours. Nothing really belongs to us. God owns everything; we’re responsible for how we treat it and what we do with it. While we complain about our rights here on earth, the Bible constantly asks, What about your responsibilities? Owners have rights; stewards have responsibilities. We are called as God’s stewards to manage that which belongs to God. While God has graciously entrusted us with the care, development, and enjoyment of everything he owns as his stewards, we are responsible to manage his holdings well and according to his desires and purposes.

Quote For reflection

Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need; the remainder is needed by others.

Saint Augustine of Hippo

Question for reflection

- What can I discover from the scriptures this week about stewardship?

Monday Bible Study is at 5:30 p.m, Meeting ID 854 9239 9132 Passcode 367264. **Birthdays Groups and All Fellowship Groups** are invited to join the Bible Study group. Theme “Baptism as the gateway to Holy Communion.

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Readings for July 16, 2023: Genesis 25:19 - 34, Psalm 119:105 - 112, Romans 8:1 - 11, Matthew 13: 1 - 9, 18 - 23.

PARISH NEWS

We welcome all visitors to our worship and fellowship

Birthdays for this week: Rev. Veronica Thomas, Enid Lawrence and Andre Morgan 10/07, Shari Smith 11/07, Rev. Basil McLeod, Errol Harris and Lia James 12/07, Megan Deane 13/07, Rev. Elizabeth Riley, Rev. Zelpha McLaren, Keith Ramsay and Andrienne King 14/07.

Condolence is extended to Milinda Thompson and family on the passing of her father, Stanley Thompson. To Mildred Johnson and family on the passing of her son, Winston Johnson, to the family of Roger Perkins brother of Billy Perkins. The funeral service for Vincent ‘Ricky’ Powell will be on Friday 14th at 11:00 a.m.

The flowers at the foot of the Altar are in loving memory of parents Robert and Vera Sayle given by daughters Judith, Angela and Margaret.

Wedding Anniversary to Neville & Marcia Hendricks tomorrow the 10th, also to Nigel and Nickie Elliott celebrate their 23rd on the 15th.

Ministry & Leadership– If you are interested in deepening your faith and training for leadership or Lay Ministry kindly visit the Diocesan website for more information.

Music Camp 2023 will be held July 10 - 21, at Christ Church, Vineyard Town. Cost is \$14,000. Contact Rhena Williams at Church House 926-8925.

Confirmation: The Rite of Confirmation will be administered here today at 10:30 a.m.

We express thanks to our members who continue to give sacrificially to ensure that the ministry and mission of the church are sustained as we continue to witness and minister in these challenging times.

SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK July 9 - 15
The church is open from 9:00 - 5:00 during the week for prayers

July 11	Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
July 12	Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
July 14	Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

SICK AND SHUT - IN

Percival Lynch	(Priest)	Trevor Blake	Rema Samuels
Alton Tulloch	(Priest)	Linda Mahon	Elesia Blackburn
Allune Mullings		Myrtle White	Margaret Green
Nancy Baugh		Jean King	Calvin Murray

PLEASE DON'T TAKE AWAY!

The Five Marks of Mission:

The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ

The Intentional Discipleship Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you that you have awakened Your Church to hear again, the call of our Saviour Jesus Christ to come to Him and learn from Him. Grant that as we say "Yes" to discipleship, your Holy Spirit will enable us so completely to commit all areas of our lives to His service, that in our personal, family and church lives, our work, recreational and social lives, we would act as Jesus would have acted if He were in our place; in His name and for His sake we pray. **Amen.**

Hymn: For everyone born

1. For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead,

Refrain:

***And God will delight when we are creators
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators
of justice, justice and joy!***

2. For woman and man, a place at the table,

Liturgy for Sundays after Pentecost

President: The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in Spirit and in truth, for such the Father seeks to worship Him. (John 4:23)

President: + Praise the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Alleluia! Alleluia

All: Worthy of Praise forever and ever Alleluia! Alleluia

President: Alleluia. Worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness

All: Come let us adore the Lord. Alleluia

President: Alleluia The Lord has shown forth His glory

All: Come let us glorify the Lord. Alleluia

President: Alleluia. Our God shall reign forever.

All: Let us praise and exalt the Lord forever. Amen. Alleluia

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.*

GLORIA

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.

Oh 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 sin of the world have mercy on us.

You who take away the sin of the world receive our prayers,

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 are 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.

We say amen, we say amen, we say amen.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Collect for the Day

The Ministry of the Word

A Meditation on Stewardship

Like prayer, scripture reading, fasting, or dedication to service, the practice of giving regular and intentionally helps us grow in faith and mature spiritually. It serves as a continual reminder of God's claim on our lives. It requires us to put our own needs and wants into proper perspective, to set aside our own interests for the sake of God and others.

Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Matthew 6:21). People commonly take this to mean we should invest our resources in what's important to us. But the meaning is just the opposite. Jesus is telling us that things become important to us when we invest money in them. Think, for instance, of the difference between renting a car and owning a car. Someone who rents a car may not give a second thought to its next oil change or the lifespan of the tires. But someone who buys a car has made an investment and attends to its long-term maintenance. Jesus tells us if we put our money where we want our heart to rest, then our heart will follow. If we want our heart to be with God, we need to invest in the mission of God.

To give something away is a profound act of faith. It says "I believe I have enough. I believe that God will continue to provide for me." Every time we exercise generosity, we step out on those faith claims. And as we flex the muscle of that faith our faith grows stronger. Generosity is a fruit of the Spirit. It is a tool God uses to shape our hearts. And through the spiritual discipline of giving, our hearts become one with God's heart and our faith grows.

By: Lovett H. Weems Jr. and Ann A. Michel

- Since whatever we have comes to us through the grace of God, what portion can we give back to God of our time, talent, and resources for God's purposes and mission?