



Saint Patrick's Episcopal Church

The Sunday News

July 12, 2015

COLLECT FOR THE DAY – THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, PROPER 10, YEAR B

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

LESSONS FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, PROPER 10, YEAR B

Amos 7:7-15

This is what the Lord God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Mark 6:14-19

King Herod heard of the deeds of power, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly

swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Psalm 48

8. I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
9. Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
10. Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
11. Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
12. The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
13. Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet..

The Vestry

Jan Krumel – <i>Parish Life</i>	664-6256
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The Rev. Mark S. Forbes, *Rector*
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Summer Office Hours

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Monday through Thursday

COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Celebrant: Living God, be strongly present with _____ as she delivers communion to _____.
People: *May hearts be kindled, bodies restored, and hope enlivened. Our prayers go with you.*

THIS WEEK AT SAINT PATRICK'S

Tuesday, July 14	6:00 p.m.	Centering Prayer	Sanctuary
Wednesday, July 15	9:30 a.m.	Midweek Eucharist	Sanctuary
	10:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer	Sanctuary

Welcome to our Visitors and Newcomers

We are happy to have you with us. This service is part of our ongoing life of worship, learning and service. We are here to deepen our relationship with God and with one another, and to explore how to live our lives more fully and compassionately. Please know that you are invited to participate in all aspects of our worship, most importantly by sharing with us in our common meal at God's Table.

We invite you to continue the journey with us; ask questions, attend our educational offerings, participate in the activities of this community. We invite you to return again next week for Eucharist at 8:30 or 10:30 a.m. Please be aware that we offer a nursery for children ages three and under. The nursery is located just down the hallway in the education wing.

Those persons serving our community this morning:

8:30 - Acolyte/Lector/LEM: Jon Ramsey

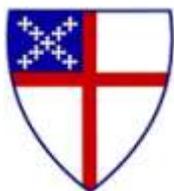
10:30 a.m. - Chalice Bearers: Raleigh Baker, Linda Simowitz; Lectors: Heather Griffin, Bob Gourley; Psalm and POP: Raleigh Baker; Acolyte Leader: Ron Gimla; Altar Guild: Bob and Karalee Millikin; Lay Minister of Healing: Rita Azali; Ushers: Ray Fulton, Charley Patterson, Gordon and Barbra Bryan; Greeters: Peggy and Bob Smith; Counters: Judy Sabine, Julie Lynch; Coffee Hour Team: Judy and Jim Sabine.

ALTAR FLOWERS GIVEN BY THE ALTAR GUILD

The flowers on the pedestal in front of the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Saint Patrick's Altar Guild. They are given in thanksgiving for the life of Irene Milicans, aunt of Mike and Pam Ferdinands.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BISHOP CURRY ELECTED AS PRESIDING BISHOP



The Episcopal Church's General Convention made history on June 27 when it chose our Diocese of North Carolina Bishop Michael Curry to be its 27th presiding bishop. He will be the first African-American presiding bishop and was elected in a landslide victory, earning 121 votes out of 174. Bishop Curry will succeed Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori, who will complete her nine-year term on November 1st. She herself was the first female presiding bishop and the first woman to lead an Anglican national church.

EXPERIENCING SABBATH

Sabbath frees us to praise God with our bodies as well as mind and spirit. This week's spiritual practice explores dance as an expression of praise. Did you know that the early church affirmed dance as a spiritual expression? Wonder what else those trying to keep Sabbath have been up to? Get the details in the Weekly Reminders electronic newsletter. You can still sign up to be part of the Sabbath Keepers email group as well — there is a link in the Weekly Reminders.



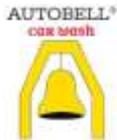
BACK 2 SCHOOL BASH 2015

Back 2 School Bash is an annual Outreach event that St. Patrick's participates in where we as a parish work with local businesses, schools, and other churches to provide school supplies for in need students in grades K-12 living in the Mooresville Graded School District and Iredell School District. Following the services please stop by the table that has been set up in the Narthex to learn more about Back 2 School Bash 15, or contact Eileen Kenter.



REBUILD THE CHURCHES FUND

The Outreach Committee, Vestry and Clergy of St. Patrick's are joining in love and support of the Rebuild the Churches Fund, a collection being organized by the Episcopal Cathedral in St. Louis, MO to unite people of all faiths in standing with their brothers and sisters to help rebuild the buildings. The fund will be divided equally between four predominately black churches burned by arsonists. Briar Creek Baptist, one of the four, is in Charlotte. Over 132 faith communities - Christian, Jewish and Muslim — have committed to at least one special offering. A collection will be taken this morning and you can make a contribution by writing a check to St Patrick's through the end of July and putting "Rebuild the Churches" in the memo line. You may also donate directly by sending a check payable to "Christ Church Cathedral" with "Rebuild the Churches" in the memo line and mail it to: Rebuild the Churches, c/o Christ Church Cathedral, 1210 Locust St., St. Louis, MO 63103.



AUTO BELL CAR WASH COUPONS STILL AVAILABLE

Our Youth Director, Mark Fowler has additional Auto Bell carwash coupons for sale. They are \$16 same price as you pay at the carwash. Email Mark mfowler52@icloud.com, or call him (704) 500-3263.

YOUTH ENROLLMENT NEWS

Parents of rising 6th graders (or newcomers with youth in grades 6-12) are asked to please notify the Youth Director, Mark Fowler (704) 500-3263, or mfowler52@icloud.com so he can add your Youth to the rolls. This way you will be kept informed of all Youth group activities.

**Youth
Enrollment**

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Inspiring and cultivating sacred connections with God and one another
as we embrace diversity of spiritual thought, practice and being.

Inspire-Connect-Embrace-Share

PULSE OF VISION AND MISSION

This week we give thanks for the two beautiful new windows that were the recent gift of an anonymous donor. These windows comprise two elegant crosses in rich detail and can be viewed on the right side of the Sanctuary as you enter through the main doors. These wonderful gifts continue the enhancement of our sacred space and our welcoming environment.