



SAINT GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
MILFORD, MICHIGAN

The 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 19, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Rite I. *In-Person and Live-streamed*

The Rev. Susan A Williams, *Celebrant*

Mr John Potter, *Music Minister*

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Collect of the Day: Proper 7, Rite I

O Lord, we beseech thee, make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name, for thou never failest to help and govern those whom thou hast set upon the sure foundation of thy loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson | 1 Kings 19:1-15a

A reading from the First Book of the Kings, chapter 19, beginning at the first verse.

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalter | Psalms 42 & 43

BCP beginning on page 643; said responsively by verse

Second Lesson | Galatians 3:23-29

A reading from St Paul's Letter to the Galatians, chapter 3, beginning at the 23rd verse.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel | Luke 8:26-39

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People **Glory be to thee, O Christ.**

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" -- for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Following Communion: Post-Communion Prayer (p. 339); the Blessing; *then*

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Dismissal *response "Thanks be to God!"*

Postlude *March of the Men of Harlech* Welsh Melody, Arr. Wilbur Held
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Announcements - June 19

★ **Happy Father's Day and Thank You** to all the dads, grandfathers, godfathers and honorary fathers/uncles who have formed and supported us in our own life-journeys.

★ **LOK garden party**, Tuesday, June 28 at 5:30. Bring a dish to share. **RSVP** to our hostess, Laura Frost.

★ **Join us for the Daily Office** at www.facebook.com/stgeorge.milford

- Mondays & Wednesdays, 10 a.m. Morning Prayer
- Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9 a.m. Morning Prayer
- Fridays, 4 p.m. Evening Prayer

★ **The Spirit of St. George's - 76th Anniversary Celebratory Events**

- **July 17, 2022 - St. George's Barbecue** hosted by the Men's Group, after a combined celebratory service at 10:00 a.m.
- **August 12-14 - Milford Memories** festival. We will host parking-for-donation and a table on our lawn. *We need a Chairperson for this project.*

★ **Please pray daily for our Rector Search. This new prayer reflects the current work of the Committee.**

Everlasting God: Give to our Rector Search Committee grace and wisdom, as they build a profile of our church, to attract and evaluate prospective candidates for the position of our next priest. Infuse their hearts with your Holy Spirit, to enlighten them as they review and prioritize the desires of your congregation.

Lord, we also ask you to lead them to your will and desire for St. George's, so that we may faithfully fulfill the mission of your church. We ask this for the sake of him who dwelt among us, Jesus your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn: Words for people at home (not printed in paper bulletins)

1. O God of every nation, of every race and land,
redeem the whole creation with your almighty hand;
where hate and fear divide us and bitter threats are hurled,
in love and mercy guide us and heal our strife-torn world.
2. From search for wealth and power and scorn of truth and right,
from trust in bombs that shower destruction through the night,
from pride of race and nation and blindness to your way,
deliver every nation, eternal God, we pray!
3. Lord, strengthen all who labor that we may find release
from fear of rattling saber, from dread of war's increase;
when hope and courage falter, your still small voice be heard;
with faith that none can alter, your servants undergird.
4. Keep bright in us the vision of days when war shall cease,
when hatred and division give way to love and peace,
till dawns the morning glorious when truth and justice reign
and Christ shall rule victorious o'er all the world's domain.