



# Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

## Episcopal/Anglican Alexandria, Virginia



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THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 7, 2019

Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00 a.m.

*Page references are for The Book of Common Prayer.*

*Large Print Prayer Books are available; please request one from an usher.*

*In respect for those wishing to pray before the service begins, the congregation is asked to remain as quiet as possible.*

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### Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen*

### The Collect for Purity

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### *Kyrie eleison*

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### The Collect of the Day

O God, who hast taught us to keep all thy commandments by loving thee and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to thee with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### The First Lesson: 2 Kings 5:1-14

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet

had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean?'" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

*Silence*

**Psalm 66:1-8 *Jubilate Deo***

- 1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; \*  
sing the glory of his Name;  
sing the glory of his praise.
- 2 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! \*  
because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
- 3 All the earth bows down before you, \*  
sings to you, sings out your Name."
- 4 Come now and see the works of God, \*  
how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land,  
so that they went through the water on foot, \*  
and there we rejoiced in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for ever;  
his eyes keep watch over the nations; \*  
let no rebel rise up against him.
- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; \*  
make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, \*  
and will not allow our feet to slip.  
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

**The Epistle: Galatians 6:1-16**

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads.

Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to

make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule -- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

### **The Holy Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke

Response: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: *Praise be to thee, O Christ*

**The Sermon:** The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander, Jr.

**The Nicene Creed**

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**The Prayers of the People**

After the Intercessor says "The Kingdom of God has come near,"  
the congregation responds "*Thanks be to God.*"

**Confession of Sin and Absolution**

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**The Peace**

**Welcome and Announcements**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## The Offertory

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II

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*Sanctus and Benedictus*

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## The Lord's Prayer

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## The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

Response: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

*Agnus Dei*

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*All baptized Christians are welcomed and encouraged to receive Holy Communion.*

*If you wish to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest.*

*Gluten-free hosts are available on request from the clergy.*

## Post Communion Prayer

*Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

## The Blessing

## The Dismissal

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**Serving at this Eucharist:** *Altar Guild:* Diana Walker; *Flower Guild:* Candy Levin; *Reader:* Reneé O'Brien; *Chalice:* Susan Gildersleeve; *Usher:* Dodd Sims; *Coffee Host:* Caroline Bergmark; *Vestry Greeter:* Chandley McDonald; *Vestry Counter:* Chandley McDonald; *Audio-Visual:* Mark Fearer; *Celebrant:* The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander