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Serving Today:
Celebrant: *The Rev. Fr. Copeland D. Johnston*
Organist: *Sylvia Sutter*
Acolytes: *Robert Tankard (8), Mack Simpson (10)*
Eucharistic Minister: *Susan Tankard (8), LaRue Chuman (10)*
Lector: *Lisa Conner (8), Michael Weaver (10)*
Altar Guild: *Susan Tankard*
Ushers: *Bob Sutter, Jimmy Latham*
Flower Guild: *Kay Leager, Susan Stewart*
Coffee Hour: *David & Gail Moretz*

This week in your prayers, please remember:

Healing & Guidance: Ivan McRoy, Lou Batton (Mark Batton's mother, Sylvia Sutter's sister), Alethia Anderson, Donald Michaud, Bob Cruse, Bishop David O'Connell, Olivia Hill, Jayne Spangler, Alan Daughtry, The Wester family, David Smith (Tim Smith's brother), Joe Buziak, John Denton, Jack & Kathryn Brake, Hubert Yeatman, Robert Thobe, Cloutier family, Allison Smith, Robert Medlin, Tom Buckley, Chip Ritter, Carol Sawyer, The McKenna family, Ruth Petersen, Charles Warrington, Curt Warrington
Caregivers: Tim Smith
Military: Bradley Craig Ward, Chris Raducha, Adam Raducha, Hayden Tankard, Nathaniel Bowen, Frank Yenny (Jack & Kathryn Brake's grandson), McCauley Griffin (Annie Griffin's grandson), Walker Brown (Pat & Sue Brown's grandson), Lonnie Carraway (Stephanie & Ken Reynold's son-in-law), Alex Paschall
Birthdays: Mary Ellen Adams (29th), Jimmy Latham (3rd)

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PRELUDE: *Song of Gladness*

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Priest: *Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

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

The Collect for Purity

355

S278 *The Gloria*

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

The Collect For The Day

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

- 1 Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; *
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your
faithfulness.
- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is established for
ever; *
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.
- 3 "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; *
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
- 4 'I will establish your line for ever, *
and preserve your throne for all generations.'"
- 15 Happy are the people who know the festal shout! *
they walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.
- 16 They rejoice daily in your Name; *
they are jubilant in your righteousness.
- 17 For you are the glory of their strength, *
and by your favor our might is exalted.
- 18 Truly, the Lord is our ruler; *
the Holy One of Israel is our King.

The Second Lesson: Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

607 *O God of every nation*

The Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."