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**Participating in Today's Service:**

Russell Rheault, Maria Gurriere, Kathy Ossene (A/V Team), Mimi Royston (Greeter), Russell Rheault (Eucharistic Minister), John McLaughlin (Crucifer), Carol Uppgard (Lector), VOLUNTEERS (Counters), Carol Uppgard, Coffee Hour Coordinator

**THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

September 24, 2023

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, Oxford



Welcome to Good Shepherd Episcopal Church. We're glad you are here! All are invited to receive Communion at Christ's Table. The Worship service is projected on the screen. Our Book of Common Prayer (BCP) contains all prayers & services. Hymns are in the hymnal blue book (H).

**Processional Hymn:** #376 (H) “Joyful, Joyful”, (v1-3)

### **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Opening Prayers p355 (BCP)

#### **The Gloria**

**Collect for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost** p234 (BCP)

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

#### **The Lessons (Proper 20)**

1st Reading: [Jonah 3:10-4:11](#)

[Psalm 145:1-8](#)

p801 (BCP)

Epistle: [Philippians 1:21-30](#)

**Sequence Hymn:** #655 (H) “O Jesus, I Have Promised”, (v1-2)

The Gospel: [Matthew 20:1-16](#)

**Sequence Hymn:** #655 (H) (v3)

Sermon: The Reverend Julia Dunbar

The Nicene Creed p358 (BCP)

Prayers of the People Form V p389 (BCP)

(In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for **The Church of Ireland**. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for, **Trinity Church, Ware; Global Missions Team; Administrative Assistant, Amanda Paredes; Greater Springfield Council of Churches; For the mission of the Church.**

Confession of Sin p360 (BCP)

The Peace p360 (BCP)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS (see bottom of next page)**

#### **THE HOLY COMMUNION:**

Offertory Sentence

**Offertory Hymn:** #411 (H) “O Bless the Lord, My Soul” (v1-3)

**Doxology:** #380 (H) “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” (v3)

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer A p361 (BCP)

#### **The Sanctus**

The Lord’s Prayer p364 (BCP) (SPOKEN)

#### **The Breaking of the Bread**

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**ALL: Therefore let us keep the feast.**

INVITATION TO ALL TO RECEIVE COMMUNION

Distribution of Communion

**Communion Hymn:** #686 (H) “Come, Thou Fount”, (v1-3)

Post Communion Prayer p365 (BCP)

**Recessional Hymn:** #398 (H) “I Sing the Almighty Power”, (v1-3)

#### **Dismissal**

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- *Music is one of life’s greatest gifts. Beginning Sunday, October 1st, there will be a clearly labeled box for hymn suggestions. Please put your favorites in the box. You can also email Rev. Julia: [priest@gracechurchoxford.org](mailto:priest@gracechurchoxford.org)*
- *The Oxford Ecumenical Council Crop Walk will be on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> @12:30pm, at the First Congregational Church in Oxford. There will be a QR code and donation instructions in the back of the church.*
- *The Food Pantry needs coffee, canned meats like chicken, ham, beef stew- no tuna! For Thanksgiving and Christmas, our parish is responsible for stuffing mix and juice. Any kind of non-alcoholic fancy grape juice, cranberry juice, etc. The Deadline for needing this for Thanksgiving is **Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>**.*
- *Fall Fair - **November 11 from 9a-3p**. It’s our biggest fundraiser! Please remember to buy items for gift baskets, donate gift cards & get your crafts ready for the big day! More to follow about the Bake Sale Bonanza soon!*