

September 29th, 2013

10:00 am



**LIVING THE
MARKS OF
MISSION**

Mark #3: To respond to human need by loving service

**St. Peter's Anglican Church
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Welcome to St Peter's. This morning's service features the music of Marty Antonini and 7th Heaven. Following the service, we will be sharing over coffee and beef on a bun (Alternate food is available for vegetarians and others). There is no cost for today's service or food.*

Greeting

Opening Song:

With friends and strangers, with family and neighbors, we gather:

Come among us, Healing God, with that love which never ends.

With faith reaching out to touch, with hearts straining to trust, we hope:

Come among us, Friend of the broken, with your compassion and make us whole.

With word and wonder, with silence and song, we wait:

Come among us, Dryer of our tears, to lift us to our feet to follow you.

—adapted from Thom Shuman

Songs:

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, "Buy my field, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord. And I bought the field from my cousin, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

New Testament Reading: Acts 4:32-37 Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of

what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means 'son of encouragement'). He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

The Gospel Song:

The Gospel Reading: Luke 5:17-29 One day, while he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting nearby (they had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem); and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. Just then some men came, carrying a paralyzed man on a bed. They were trying to bring him in and lay him before Jesus; but finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus. When he saw their faith, he said, 'Friend, your sins are forgiven you.' Then the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, 'Who is this who is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?' When Jesus perceived their questionings, he answered them, 'Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier, to say, "Your sins are forgiven you", or to say, "Stand up and walk"? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins'—he said to the one who was paralyzed—'I say to you, stand up and take your bed and go to your home.' Immediately he stood up before them, took what he had been lying on, and went to his home, glorifying God. Amazement seized all of them, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, 'We have seen strange things today.'

Reflection: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Music by Marty Antonini and 7th Heaven

Prayers

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, **whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch: help us to show his love, in your Church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing and Closing Song

PRAYERS

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the church of Southwestern Virginia and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. Mark Allen Bourjakas.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. Barnabus, Calgary and their clergy, the Rev. Jagdutt Singh.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Patrick with St. Mary and St. Francis and their clergy, The Rev. Canon Christopher Drakes.
- In our own parish let us ask for God's healing love to uphold and sustain all who are in any kind of need, especially: Shelley, Alison James, Julienne Hendrickson, Gerry Dawe, Edith Jones, Carol Kyle, Connie Clarke, Wendy Both, Laurie Arsenault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, The Rt. Rev. Gary Woolsey, Virginia Goodman, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Mandy Gravells, Ruth Elford, Marguerite Dimmer, Joan Brisbourne, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacobs, Emily Sharpe, Eileen Williams, Garnet Wallace, Andrew Howe.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God by Doreen Thomson and family in loving memory of Bob Thomson; husband, father and grandfather.

Warden on duty today is Arnold Williams.

*Regular contributors: The basket for envelop giving is by the lectern. If you wish to give towards today's lunch, there is a basket by the food table.

*Christ has no body now on earth but yours,
no hands but yours,
no feet but yours,*

*Yours are the eyes through which to look out on Christ's compassion to the world,
Yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good,
Yours are the hands with which he is to bless people now.*

~ St Teresa of Avila 1515 -82
