TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 15, 2021 8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite One





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Services: Sunday at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 10 AM • Saturday at 5 PM

Our Sunday services are livestreamed

WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

CDC Guidelines: In accordance with new CDC guidelines, masks are again required on the church campus, including in-person attendance for church services, regardless of vaccination status.

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

Symbols in the Bulletin P Priest, D Deacon, G Congregation, L Leader, D Everyone.

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Getting to know each other: Following the service we welcome **everyone** for coffee and refreshments in Kirk Hall, which is up the ramp archway across from the doors of the sanctuary, and to the right.

A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave Quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Please remain seated.]

ACCLAMATION

[Please stand.]

- P Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

- P Lord, have mercy upon us.
- Christ, have mercy upon us.
- P Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- And with thy Spirit.
- Let us pray... Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
- Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Readings: 1 Kings 2:10-12; :3-14, Psalm 111, Ephesians 5:15-20, John 6:51-58 [*Please be seated.*]

The First Reading

■ The First Reading is taken from 1 King chapter 2...

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established. Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

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

The Psalm

- We will read responsively Psalm 111...
- L Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- **G** Great are the deeds of the LORD! they are studied by all who delight in them.
- L His work is full of majesty and splendor, and his righteousness endures for ever.
- He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- L He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- He has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the lands of the nations.
- L The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure.
- **19** They stand fast for ever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.
- Le He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; holy and awesome is his Name.
- The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

The Second Reading

L The Second Reading is taken from Ephesians chapter 5...

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

The Gospel

[Please stand.]

- D The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
- Glory be to thee, O Lord.
- Description Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."
- **D** The Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise be to thee, O Christ.

[Please be seated.]

NICENE CREED

[Please stand.]

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.]

- **D** Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.
- L Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all humanity receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. God of Light and Life,

We pray to you.

© Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, especially to Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Dabney, our Bishop; Barry and Michael, our Assisting Bishops; Whitney, our Rector; Cindy, our Deacon; to our companion diocese of the Dominican Republic; to these Episcopal Churches in our Diocese; St. George's, Bradenton; St. Giles', Pinellas Park; St. Hilary's, Fort Myers; St. James', Port Charlotte; St. James' House of Prayer, Tampa, Clearwater Deanery Collaboration Partners; and to all priests, deacons, and the laity in their ministry; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. God of Light and Life,

We pray to you.

Let And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. God of Light and Life,

We pray to you.

Let We be seech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially our elected leaders, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. We pray that all God's children, especially those in the Middle East, might live in the hope of the world peace for which we are created. God of Light and Life,

We pray to you.

Let And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [Add handwritten names from notebook] and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those listed in the weekly news who have asked for our prayers. I now invite you to pray for others by name, aloud or in your hearts. [Leave time...] God of Light and Life,

We pray to you.

© Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. We give thanks for the flowers given to the Glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of Donna Pylman, Mildred Levey, Carol Cates, Catherine Schweitzer, Peggy Tomlinson and the anniversaries of Kirk & Betsey McKenna, Bob & Cindy Roehl, Dave & Robin Megel. God of Light and Life,

We pray to you.

Lespecially... add names from notebook]. Please add names of those on your heart, silently or aloud. [Leave time...] We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. God of Light and Life,

We pray to you.

■ Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.
(The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.)

Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

[Please kneel or stand.]

- D Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God. [Silence is kept.] Most merciful God, . . .
- We confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.
- P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

@ Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

[Please stand.]

- P The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- And with thy spirit.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

[Please be seated.]

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

[Please stand when invited by the Deacon.]

- D As we receive these gifts, we acknowledge
- All things come from thee, O Lord and of thine own have we given thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

- P The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
- It is meet and right so to do.
- It It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,
- Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

[Please kneel or stand, as you choose.]

- P All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.
- P For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."
- Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

- Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.
- And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;
- P By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.
- @ AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
- Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- P Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
- Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.
- P The Gifts of God for the People of God.

 [You may be seated.]

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

[Please kneel or stand, as you choose.]

- P Let us pray.
- 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 AND DISMISSAL

[Please stand.]

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- Amen.
- **D** Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
- Thanks be to God!

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant The Rev. Whitney Burton Deacon The Rev. Cindy Roehl

Chalicist/Acolyte Cheryl Sharpe

Lector Butch Niford

Prayers of the People Cheryl Sharpe

Ushers Butch & Diane Niford

Building & Grounds Pat Cates