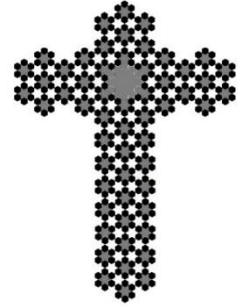


# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 12, 2021

8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite One



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## 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, C Congregation, L Leader, A 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.

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

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## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*[Please remain seated.]*

### ACCLAMATION

*[Please stand.]*

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

C **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

A **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.

C **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

☞ The Lord be with you.

☞ **And with thy Spirit.**

☞ Let us pray... O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ 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:** Proverbs 1:20-33, Psalm 19, James 3:1-12, Mark 8:27-38

[Please be seated.]

### The First Reading

☞ *The First Reading is taken from Proverbs chapter 1...*

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster."

☞ The Word of the Lord.

☞ **Thanks be to God.**

### The Psalm

☞ *We will read responsively Psalm 19...*

☞ The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork.

☞ **One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

☞ Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

☞ **Their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world.**

☞ In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

☞ **It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**

☞ The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

☞ **The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

- ℒ The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- ☞ **More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**
- ℒ By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.
- ☞ **Who can tell how often he offends? cleanse me from my secret faults.**
- ℒ Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- ☞ **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

## The Second Reading

- ℒ *The Second Reading is taken from James chapter 3...*

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

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

## The Gospel

[Please stand.]

- ℒ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
- ☞ **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

- ℒ Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Ⓓ The Gospel of the Lord.

☩ **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

### **SERMON**

The Rev. Whitney Burton

*[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.]*

Ⓓ Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Ⓔ 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. Michael and All Angels, Sanibel; St. Monica's, Naples; St. Nathaniel's, North Port; St. Paul's, Naples; St. Paul's Wesley Chapel, St. Peter's Cathedral, St. Petersburg; St. Peter's, Plant City, 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.**

℣ 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.**

℣ We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially President Biden, 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.**

℣ 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 Frank Kneen, Mary Anne Dorner, Evelyn Slama, Robert Colacicco and the anniversaries of Dick & Betty Fraley, God of Light and Life,

**☩ We pray to you.**

℣ And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, [*especially... 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.]*

- Ⓓ 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.**
- Ⓓ 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.]*

- Ⓓ 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.]*

- Ⓓ 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

- Ⓓ The Lord be with you.
- Ⓒ **And with thy spirit.**
- Ⓓ Lift up your hearts.
- Ⓒ **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
- Ⓓ Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
- Ⓒ **It is meet and right so to do.**
- Ⓓ 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, 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."

**P** 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."

**P** 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;

**C** **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.

**C** **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.]*

**P**

**C** **Amen.**

**D** Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

## SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Deacon	The Rev. Cindy Roehl
Chalicer/Acolyte	Brett Dickie
Lector	Diane Niford
Prayers of the People	Butch Niford
Ushers	Butch & Diane Niford
Building & Grounds	Pat Cates