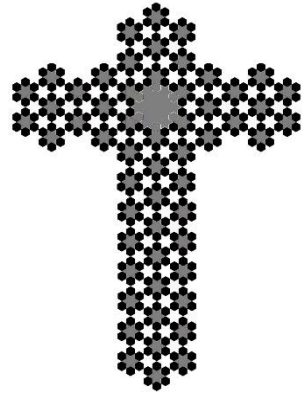


# EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 1, 2023

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite II



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## WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

**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.

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

**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.

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

Most of the sung music is found in the blue hymnal, *The Hymnal, 1982*. In the bulletin, an "H" indicates the hymn section of the book; an "S" indicates it's from the service music section in the front of the book.

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

**VOLUNTARY** Two Settings on SCHMÜCKE DICH, O LIEBE SEELE Paul Manz (1919-2009)  
George Frederick Handel (1685-1759)  
*(based on a communion hymn "Deck Thyself with Joy and Gladness" (H-339))*

*[During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ENTRANCE HYMN H-381** Thy Strong Word Did Cleave the Darkness TON-Y-BOTEL  
*(stanzas 1,3,4)*

Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; at thy speaking it was done;  
for created light we thank thee, while thine ordered seasons run:  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

Thy strong word bespeaks us righteous; bright with thine own holiness,  
glorious now, we press toward glory, and our lives our hopes confess:  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

God the Father, Light-Creator, to thee laud and honor be;  
to thee, Light of Light begotten, praise be sung eternally;  
Holy Spirit, Light-Revealer, glory, glory be to thee;  
mortals, angels, now and ever praise the Holy Trinity.

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*All* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you  
no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of  
your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your  
holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**CANTICLE 20 S-280** Gloria in excelsis Robert Powell

1. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
2. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
4. you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

5. you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
6. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
7. you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray... O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

*The people sit.*

### THE FIRST READING

Exodus 17:1-7

*Lector* *The First Reading is taken from Exodus chapter 17...*

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*(All singing)*

Fm A<sup>b</sup>

1 We will tell each gen - er - a - tion all that  
 2 Tell the time of our re - bel - ling— how we  
 3 Tell how once, when spite and ter - ror threat-ened

D<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>

you, our God, have done; how you called and  
 wan - dered from your way, how your law our  
 to en - gulf our land, you de - fend - ed

E<sup>b</sup> Fm Cm7 Fm

led your peo - ple, chose us out to be your own.  
 love com - pel - ling taught us hum - bly to o - bey.  
 us with vig - or, saved us by a might - y hand.

- 4 Tell the grace that falls from heaven,  
 angels' food as faith's reward;  
 tell how sins may be forgiven  
 through the mercy of the Lord.
- 5 We will tell each generation  
 all that you, our God, have done.  
 As a shepherd you have led us;  
 by your hand still lead your own.

**THE SECOND READING**

Philippians 2:1-13

*Lector The Second Reading is taken from Philippians chapter 2...*

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be

exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

*Lector*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand as able.*

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John Schiavone

*All sing this refrain, soloist sings the verse:*



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Solo: One does not live on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. Alleluia. **(Refrain)**

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 21:23-32

*Deacon*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Deacon*        When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I

tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people sit.*

**SERMON**

The Rev. Kathleen Walter

**NICENE CREED** *All stand as able.*

*People*

**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.****

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** *Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.*

*Deacon* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Lector* Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. 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 Aggie Kall, Ally Fisher, Amy Heindel, Nancy Valley, and Sandra Powers.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially . . . [*add names from notebook*] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [*leave time*], give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* We commend to your mercy all who have died, (especially . . . [*add names from notebook*]) and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [*leave time*] that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION:

*Please kneel or stand as able.*

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*Silence is kept.*)

*People* **Most merciful God,**  
**we confess that we have sinned against you**  
**in thought, word, and deed,**  
**by what we have done,**  
**and by what we have left undone.**  
**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**  
**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**  
**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**  
**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**  
**have mercy on us and forgive us;**  
**that we may delight in your will,**  
**and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. AMEN.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*All* **Amen.**

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Please be seated.*

### OFFERTORY

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

Hasidic melody

*(from H-536, arranged by Richard Proulx)*

### THE PRESENTATION

*All stand as able.*

*Deacon* We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

### PRESENTATION HYMN

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**



## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*(Proper Preface)*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices

with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

*All* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, S-129  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is My Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All* **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*People* Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant* And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*People* **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.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.*

## THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-154

David Hurd

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the Chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.  
If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.*

## COMMUNION

Pastorale

Herbert Sumsion  
(1899-1995)

## COMMUNION TAIZE CHANT

Eat This Bread

Jacques Berthier

**Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.**

**Jesus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hunger.**

**Jesus Christ, Risen Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.**

(Repeat: Eat this bread....)

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant* Let us pray...

*All* **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the  
spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior  
Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living  
members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And  
now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love  
and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and  
to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

### THE SENDING HYMN H-482

Lord of All Hopefulness

SLANE

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,  
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,  
be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,  
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,  
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,  
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## VOLUNTARY

Processional

William Mathias  
(1934-1992)

## SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Kathleen Walter
Deacon	The Rev. Cindy Roehl
Organist/Choirmaster	Tom Huffman
Crucifer/Server	Pat Cates
Torch/Chalichists	Joe Nixon & Miriam Benitez-Nixon
Lectors	Ryan Stollenmaier & Alan Mackay
Prayers of the People	Miriam Benitez-Nixon
Ushers	Alan Mackay & Jackson Bond
Building & Grounds	Pat Cates
Welcome Table	Carol Beauchamp, Hilda Myers, MaryJane Zimbardi
Soloist	Tony Halfhide

**Prayers are requested for:**

**The Week of Sep 17** – Parker, Barbara, Laura, Linda T, Cathy L, Bonnie L, Nancy C, David C, Colette S, Heather S, Russ Z, Bob S, Milly L, Olena & family, Elena G, Rebecca G, Ally F, Bill GW, Jeff M, Kathy J, Jim, Marilyn, Sue V, Jason C, Joanne, Gene, Clay, Leslie, Adriana P, Kipling, Nancy, Peter & Donna, Helen Marie, Amie T, Dolores, Jim G, Jim W, Dave D, Sherry B, Jackson C, Christopher J.

**Celebrations this week: Birthdays** – Aggie Kall, Ally Fisher, Amy Heindel, Nancy Vallely, and Sandra Powers.

**Announcements**

**Blessing of the Animals:** Our annual St. Francis Day service will take place on SUNDAY, OCT 8, 2022 at 10 AM in Peace Park\* – our outdoor, shaded lot on Edgewater Dr next to the church!

At our annual Blessing of the Animals service, we praise God, give thanks for all creatures who have touched our lives, and bless the furry, feathered, and scaled animals in our midst. \*In the event of rain, the service will be moved inside Kirk Hall.

**Walking the Mourner’s Path:** We are offering this 8-week workshop program beginning the second week of October. This is different than other grief programs in that it is Christ-centered and allows you to find an answer to the question “Where is God in my pain?” By inviting God into the pain, healing occurs. For more information, please contact The Rev. (Deacon) Cindy Roehl.

**Before You Knew Me:** There is a richness in our backgrounds that is waiting to be turned into living color, uncovered and shared. For three weeks, Oct 10, 17, and 24, we will meet in the Patio Room from 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm for a fun way to learn about each other. Snacks will be served.

**Stewardship Kickoff Sunday:** This year’s stewardship campaign will kick off on Sunday, Oct 22 with all celebrating together at one combined service at 9:00 am. Our annual Ministry Fair will immediately follow the service and is a great time to learn about the many programs here at COGS.