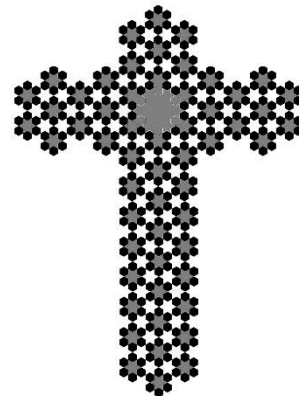


NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 25, 2021

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion



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WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

CDC Guidelines: For fully vaccinated people, mask wearing and social distancing are optional. For non-vaccinated individuals, mask wearing and social distancing are highly recommended.

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.

Symbols in the Bulletin: P Priest D Deacon L Leader C Congregation 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.

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

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Sweet Hour"

arr. Gordon Young

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GATHERING HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise

H. 401 vs 1,4,5



***The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love;
the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven confessed:
we bow and bless the sacred Name for ever blest.***

***The God who reigns on high the great archangels sing,
and "Holy, holy, holy," cry, "Almighty King!
Who was, and is, the same, and evermore shall be:
eternal Father, great I AM, we worship thee."***


***The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high;
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost" they ever cry;
hail, Abraham's Lord divine! With heaven our songs we raise;
all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.***

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

 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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

 The Lord be with you.

 And also with you.

 Let us pray... O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

 Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE READINGS: 2 Samuel 11: 1-15, Psalm 14, Ephesians 3:14-21, John 6:1-21

The First Reading:

📖 *The First Reading is taken from 2 Samuel chapter 11...*

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant." So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***The fool proclaims, "There is no God." Vile acts are all they do;
Not one does right; they are corrupt And evil through and through.***

***To see if anyone is wise, God looks upon us all,
To see if anyone seeks God Or answers to God's call.***

***From Zion send deliverance For us, O God, we pray.
Let God arise, let Israel Rejoice to see that day.***

The Second Reading

▣ *The Second Reading is taken from Ephesians chapter 3...*

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

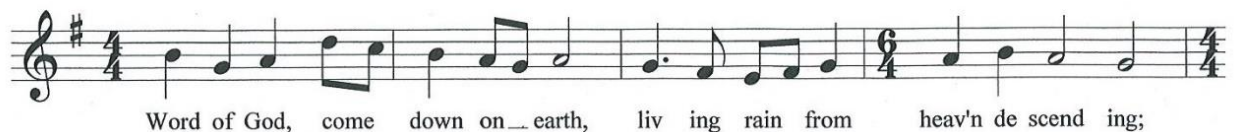
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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THE GOSPEL

Ⓓ *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

☞ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Ⓓ Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

Ⓓ The Gospel of the Lord.

☞ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Whitney Burton

THE NICENE CREED

☩ 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

☩ Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore, in confidence and trust we pray for the Church.

☩ Father, enliven the Church for its mission,

☩ that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.

Breathe fresh life into your people.

☩ Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.

We pray for the world: we pray for our elected leaders, and implore that you will lead us and every nation into the ways of justice and peace. God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others

☩ that all may act with integrity and courage.

Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

☩ May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

We pray for the community, and for those in need. especially . . . [*add names from notebook*] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [*leave time*]. God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit, and make us willing agents of your compassion.

☩ Strengthen us as we share in making people whole, that all may know the power of your healing love.

We give you thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially the flowers given today to the Glory of God and for the birthdays this week for Jean Roberts, Sherry Conte, Gail Robinson, Gabby Gallagher., Brain Levy, Dawn Gordon, Penelope Statile and the anniversaries of Laurie & Barbara Rennie, Gene & Maureen Belote. Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

☩ Teach us to care creatively for its resources.

We remember those who have died and those who mourn (especially . . . [*add names from notebook*]). We remember with thanksgiving those near to us whose absence still leaves a hole in our hearts; I invite you to say their names, silently or aloud [*leave time*]. We pray for all who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone.

☩ Father, into your hands we commend them.

☩ Lord, you have called us to serve you. We pray for ourselves and our ministries.

☩ Grant that we may walk in your presence: your love in our hearts, your truth in our minds, your strength in our wills, until, at the end of our journey, we know the joy of our homecoming and the welcome of your embrace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.)

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION:

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

☩ 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.

☩ 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.

Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

☩ The peace of the Lord be always with you.

☩ And also with you. *(All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.)*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

THE OFFERTORY

“If With All Your Hearts” From Elijah

F. Mendelssohn
Julian Guini, soloist

THE PRESENTATION

- ☐ 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.

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

For the Fruit of All Creation

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.

For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.

***For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.***

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

☐ The Lord be with you.

☑ **And also with you.**

☐ Lift up your hearts.

☑ **We lift them to the Lord.**

☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

☐ It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

☐ **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]

☐ 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 he 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:

☒ Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

¶ 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.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

¶ And now as our Savior Christ has 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

P Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

G Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

P The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION SOLO

For the Bread Which You have Broken

V. Earle Copes
Julian Guini, soloist

[Please remain seated.]

THE CHANT

Taste and See

***Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord
Oh, taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.***

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray...

G 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

Lead on O King Eternal

H 555 vs 1,2,3

***Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come;
henceforth in fields of conquest thy tents shall be our home:
through days of preparation thy grace has made us strong,
and now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.***

***Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace;
for not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums,
but deeds of love and mercy, the heavenly kingdom comes.***

***Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears;
for gladness breaks like morning where'er thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light:
the crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!***

THE DISMISSAL

☐ Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

☑ **Thanks be to God!**

THE POSTLUDE

Toccata on "Kirken"

arr: Gordon Young

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Organist	Sandra Rogers
Acolyte/Crucifer	Pat Cates
Lectors	Carolyn Hughes & Nancy Fisher
Prayers of the People	Carolyn Hughes
Ushers	Phil & Carol Beauchamp
Hymn Selection	Pat Cates
Building & Grounds	Cheryl Sharpe