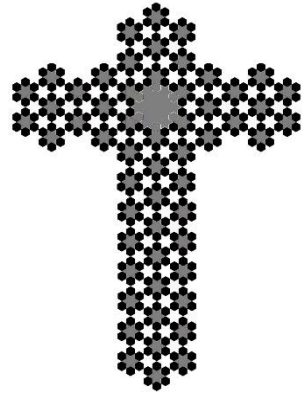


NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 30, 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.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Two Preludes on 'O Day of Peace'
(based on the Sending Hymn)

Charles Callahan

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN H-366 (st. 1-4)

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

GROSSER GOTT

Holy God, we praise thy Name, Lord of all, we bow before thee;
all on earth thy scepter claim, all in heaven above adore thee;
infinite thy vast domain, everlasting is thy reign.

Hark, the loud celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heavens with sweet accord: holy, holy, holy Lord!

Lo, the apostolic train join, thy sacred Name to hallow;
prophets swell the loud refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow;
and, from morn till set of sun, through the Church the song goes on.

Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name thee,
while in essence only One, undivided God we claim thee;
then, adoring, bend the knee and confess the mystery.

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, 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.

All **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people sit.

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 29:15-28

Lector *The First Reading is taken from Genesis chapter 29...*

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All sing this refrain, the cantor sings the verses:



Blessed are you who fear the Lord, who walk in his ways!
For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork; blessed shall you be, and favored. **(Refrain)**

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home,
your children like olive plants around your table. **(Refrain)**

Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the Lord. The Lord bless you from Zion;
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life. **(Refrain)**

May you see your children's children. Peace be upon Israel! **(Refrain)**

THE SECOND READING

Romans 8:26-39

Lector The Second Reading is taken from Romans chapter 8...

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John Schiavone

All sing this refrain, cantor sings the verse:



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Cantor: The Spirit of truth will testify to me, says the Lord;
and you also will testify. Alleluia. **(Refrain)**

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

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

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

Deacon Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.” He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.” “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. “Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people sit.

SERMON

The Rev. Whitney Burton

All stand as able.

NICENE CREED *Please stand.*

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 Penelope Statile, Pat Elmendorf, Nancy Campbell, Jason Hopwood, Phyllis Sipos, Garry Lumm, Kevin Matson, Cindy Huffman, and for the anniversary this week of Ted & Mary Anne Dorner.

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

The Reign of God

text by Delores Dufner
Julian Guini, Solo

All stand as able.

THE PRESENTATION

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 H-380 (*st. 3*)

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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,
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. Hosanna in the highest.**

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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.

**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

Soft Mist Is Rising

Robert A. Hobby
Julian Guini, Solo

COMMUNION HYMN H-711

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

SEEK YE FIRST

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you;
Allelu, alleluia!**

*Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Allelu, alleluia!*

**Ask, and it shall be given unto you,
seek, and ye shall find,
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;
Allelu, alleluia! (Refrain)**

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



1 O day of peace that dim-ly shines through all our hopes and prayers and dreams,
 2 Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the fierce devour the small;



guide us to jus - tice, truth, and love, de-liv-ered from our self - ish schemes.
 as beasts and cat - tle calm-ly graze, a lit-tle child shall lead them all.



May swords of hate fall from our hands, our hearts from en - vy find re-lease,
 Then en - e - mies shall learn to love, all crea-tures find their true ac-cord;



till by God's grace our war-ring world shall see Christ's prom-ised reign of peace.
 the hope of peace shall be ful-filled; for all the earth shall know the Lord.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Concerto in D Major

Antonio Vivaldi

Allegro

(1675-1741)

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Deacon	The Rev. Cindy Roehl
Organist/Choirmaster	Tom Huffman
Crucifer/Server	Pat Cates
Torch/Chalicists	Carolyn Hughes & Michelle Schombs
Lectors	Frank & Sandy Kneen
Prayers of the People	Carolyn Hughes
Ushers	Steve & Caroline Maisel
Building & Grounds	Cheryl Sharpe
Welcome Table	Sheila Scott
Cantor	Julian Guini

Prayers are requested for:

The Week of July 23 – Barbara S, Hazel, Scott, Colette S, Heather S, Andrea G, Bonnie L, Olena & family, Bob S, Milly L, Brooke, Arlene, Darci, Dustin, Tony B, Jim, Marilyn, Sue, Jason C, Diane M, Gail-Marie, Adriana P, Cam & Sherry B, Shontz Family, Norma H, Dan & Gloria S, Dick F, Michael M, Dan & Gayle M, Danielle M, Craig & Marge, Bob & Joy G, Jim & Dede, Martha K, Beth E, Mike F, Gary, Jay, Sandy G, Elliot T, Christopher J, Bill GW.

Celebrations this week: Birthdays – Penelope Statile, Pat Elmendorf, Nancy Campbell, Jason Hopwood, Phyllis Sipos, Garry Lumm, Kevin Matson, and Cindy Huffman.

Anniversaries – Ted & Mary Anne Dorner.

Announcements

5th Sunday Breakfast in July: We hope you will join us for a continental breakfast sponsored by the Vestry TODAY after each service.

Blessing of the Backpacks: Kids, Teachers, and Staff – Bring your backpacks, totes, and briefcases to church on Sunday, Aug 6th for a special, back-to-school blessing.

Christian Formation Classes are set to resume on Sunday, Aug. 20. Adult classes will be at 9:15 am, and the children's classes will be at 10:00 am. We hope you will join us!