

## THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 3, 2025

8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite I



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Services: Sunday at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 6 PM

**Our Sunday 10:00 AM service is livestreamed**

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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.

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



Virtual Worship Bulletins

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please remain seated.*

### ACCLAMATION

*Please stand as able.*

*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, 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.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

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

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy Spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray... Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; 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

*Please be seated.*

### THE FIRST READING

Hosea 11:1-11

*Lector        The First Reading is taken from Hosea chapter 11...*

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.  
The more I called them, the more they went from me;  
they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols.  
Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms;  
but they did not know that I healed them.  
I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love.  
I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks.  
I bent down to them and fed them.  
They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king,  
because they have refused to return to me.  
The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests,  
and devours because of their schemes.  
My people are bent on turning away from me.  
To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all.  
How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel?  
How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim?  
My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender.  
I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim;  
for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath.  
They shall go after the Lord, who roars like a lion;  
when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west.  
They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria;  
and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

*Lector        The Word of the Lord.*

*People        **Thanks be to God.***

## PSALM 107:1-9, 43

*Lector*        *We will read responsively from Psalm 107...*

*Lector*        Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endures for ever.

*People*        **Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim  
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.**

*Lector*        He gathered them out of the lands; from the east and from the west,  
from the north and from the south.

*People*        **Some wandered in desert wastes;  
they found no way to a city where they might dwell.**

*Lector*        They were hungry and thirsty; their spirits languished within them.

*People*        **Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,  
and he delivered them from their distress.**

*Lector*        He put their feet on a straight path to go to a city where they might dwell.

*People*        **Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy  
and the wonders he does for his children.**

*Lector*        For he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

*People*        **Whoever is wise will ponder these things,  
and consider well the mercies of the Lord.**

## THE SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-11

*Lector*        *The Second Reading is taken from Colossians chapter 3...*

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things-- anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

*Lector*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 12:13-21

*Please stand as able.*

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

*Celebrant* Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

*Please be seated.*

The Rev. Whitney Burton

## NICENE CREED

*Please 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 worshipped 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.*

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

*Lector* 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,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, especially to Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Douglas, our Bishop; Whitney, our Rector; to our companion diocese of the Dominican Republic; to these Episcopal Churches in our Diocese; St. James' House of Prayer, Tampa; St. John's, Tampa; St. Mark's, Tampa; St. Mary's, Tampa; St. Catherine's, Temple Terrace; Holy Innocents Church, Valrico; St. Paul's Wesley Chapel, and St. Elizabeth's, Zephyrhills; 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,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* 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,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* We beseech 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,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor 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. *(Pause.)* God of Light and Life,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* 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 for the glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of Jason Hopwood, Phyllis Sipos, Garry Lumm, Kevin Matson, Cindy Huffman, and Dennis Charles; and the anniversaries of Noel and Angela Powell, and Gail and Jeff Griffin. God of Light and Life,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear. Please add names of those on your heart, silently or aloud. (*Pause.*) 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,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

*People* **AMEN.**

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*Celebrant* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*People* **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.**

*Celebrant* 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 as able.*

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

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

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

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Please be seated.*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Celebrant* 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.

*Celebrant says a proper preface*

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

*People* **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.*

*Celebrant* 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.

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; 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.

*People*        **AMEN.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant*     And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.**

### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant*     Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People*        **Therefore let us keep the feast. 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.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* 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 as able.*

*Celebrant announces the blessing.*

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

*People* Thanks be to God.

## SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Crucifer/Chalicer	Laura McGary
Lector	London Bates
Prayers of the People	Laura McGary
Ushers	Bill and Mary Lasko

## PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR

Helen Marie, Michelle S, Chris S, Bonnie S, Gloria S, Bill G, Miguel S, Priscilla B, Indra E, Donna C, Maureen B, the people of Ukraine, Jim T, Bryan, Ted D, and Mary B.

## CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

**Birthdays** – Jason Hopwood, Phyllis Sipos, Garry Lumm, Kevin Matson, Cindy Huffman, and Dennis Charles

**Anniversaries** – Noel and Angela Powell, and Gail and Jeff Griffin

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Blessing of the Backpacks** – next Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, bring your backpacks, totes, and briefcases for a special back-to-school blessing. There will be children's activities during our 10 AM service in the Sunday School room, with a church-wide Back to School Celebration for the whole congregation during the 2nd coffee hour. Our Hospitality Team is treating us to hot dogs, ice cream sundaes, and more!

**140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Anthem** – In commemoration of our anniversary in February, we are commissioning an anthem for our choir to sing. If you would like to contribute, gifts can be made in Realm or by writing "140<sup>th</sup>" in the check memo.

**Book Club** – The book for August 10<sup>th</sup> is *Girl Meets God: A Memoir* by Lauren Winner. Meet in the Patio Room at 11:45 AM.

**Dunedin Cares** – The next collection will be on August 17<sup>th</sup>. Please consider supporting those in need in our community by donating non-perishable food and personal hygiene items.

**Cursillo meeting** – August 24<sup>th</sup> at noon in the Patio Room. See the Rev. Kathleen Walter for more information.

**Fifth Sunday Feast** – Join us for brunch on Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup> immediately following the 10 AM service. \$10 per person, with family rates available and kids under 10 are free.

**The Chosen** – Watch the last episode together and join the group discussion. This Tuesday August 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM in the Patio room. Adult formation led by Rev. Whitney Burton.

**Rector's Discretionary Fund** – Today's plate collection will go toward supporting those in need in our community.

**Daughters of the King** – meeting on Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM to 1 PM in the lounge.

**Soul Sisters meeting** – there will be no meeting in August.