

# The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

September 1, 2019

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion



Sunday Services at 8 and 10 AM • Wed. Service at 10 AM • Sat. Service at 5 PM

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## WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

**If you are new** to our congregation, please let us know by getting a name tag at the Welcome Center outside and completing a newcomer card, found either at the Welcome enter or in the pew rack in front of you.

**Childcare is available:** During the service, infants to age 5 are welcome in the Nursery, located on the first floor of the education wing, accessed through the double doors next to the elevator.

We have **gluten-free wafers** available: Please make your request known at the altar rail.

**Restrooms are located** to the right as you go through the arch off the breezeway.

**Following the service** we welcome everyone for coffee and refreshments in Kirk Hall, located on the first floor. Turn right after passing through the arch off the passageway between the buildings.

A gentle reminder: As a courtesy during the church service, please be sure to turn your **cell phone off** or put it on the vibrate setting.

**If you read music**, the music for the hymns may be found in our blue Hymnal [located in the pew rack.] All service music marked "S" is found in the front section of The Hymnal.

# GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

## PRELUDE

Preludes on American Folk Hymns

Wilbur Held

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

Symbols in the Bulletin: **P** Priest, **D** Deacon, **C** Congregation, **L** Leader, **All** Everyone.

## GATHERING HYMN

*O Beautiful, for Spacious Skies*

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*[Please stand when the chimes sound.]*

**C** *O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,  
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,  
and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.*

*O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,  
who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!  
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,  
confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.*

*O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years  
thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,  
and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.*

## WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MISSION MOMENT

*[Please be seated.]*

## ACCLAMATION

*[Please stand.]*

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

**C** **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

**P** Let us pray together...

**C** **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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

556, vs. 1,2,4

**All** **Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
Your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.**

Refrain **Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing.**

*With all the angel choirs, with all the saints of earth,  
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rapture, noblest mirth.* Refrain

*Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go,  
from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe.* Refrain

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
- G** **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray... O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- G** **Amen.**

## WORD OF GOD

**THE READINGS:** Sirach 38:27–32a • Psalm 90:12–17 • 1 Corinthians 3:10–14 • Matthew 21:28–32  
*[Please be seated.]*

The First Reading:

- L** *The First Reading is taken from Sirach, chapter 38...*

So it is also with every craftsperson and master artisan who carries over the day's work into the night, who carves figures on seals and works diligently to make diverse ornamentations. They will devote themselves to producing a lifelike painting, and they lose sleep in order to finish their work.

So it is with smiths who sit near an anvil and who closely examine works of iron. The blast of the fire will melt their flesh, and they will struggle with the heat of the furnace. The sound of the hammer will strike their ears again and again, and their eyes are focused on the pattern of the object. They will devote themselves to finishing the work, and they lose sleep in order to complete its decoration.

So it is with potters sitting at their work, turning the wheel at their feet. They lie down always feeling anxiety about their work, and every product of theirs is valued. They will mold the clay with their hands and work the wheel with their feet. They will devote themselves to finishing the glazing, and they lose sleep in order to clean the kiln.

All of these have relied on their hands, and each one is skilled in their work. Without them a city can't be inhabited, and they neither go abroad to live as immigrants nor travel about.

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

Metrical Psalm 90: [Tune: O God, Our Help in Ages Past]

[Please remain seated.]

**So teach us, Lord, in your great might, To number all our days,  
That we may yet apply our hearts To wisdom and its ways.**

**Relent and have compassion, Lord; How long will wrath hold sway?  
Come, satisfy us with your love With each returning day.**

**Lord, let us now be glad and sing Your praises constantly;  
Let happiness now compensate For years of misery.**

**Lord, let the splendor of your works Shine brightly as the sun;  
May all God's goodness rest on us; Prosper what we have done.**

The Second Reading:

℣ *The Second Reading is taken from 1 Corinthians, chapter 3...*

I laid a foundation like a wise master builder according to God's grace that was given to me, but someone else is building on top of it. Each person needs to pay attention to the way they build on it. No one can lay any other foundation besides the one that is already laid, which is Jesus Christ. So, whether someone builds on top of the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, grass, or hay, each one's work will be clearly shown. The day will make it clear, because it will be revealed with fire—the fire will test the quality of each one's work. If anyone's work survives, they'll get a reward.

℣ The Word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

**ACCLAMATION**

*O Christ, the Word Incarnate*

632, vs. 1,2

[Please stand.]

℣ **O Christ, the Word Incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,  
O Truth, unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky;  
we praise thee for the radiance that from the scripture's page,  
a lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.**

**The Church from our dear Master received the word divine,  
and still that light is lifted o'er all the earth to shine.  
It is the chart and compass that o'er life's surging sea,  
mid mists and rocks and quicksands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.**

The Gospel:

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

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

**D** [Jesus said,] "What do you think? A man had two sons. Now he came to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.'

"'No, I don't want to,' he replied. But later he changed his mind and went.

"The father said the same thing to the other son, who replied, 'Yes, sir.' But he didn't go.

"Which one of these two did his father's will?"

They said, "The first one."

Jesus said to them, "I assure you that tax collectors and prostitutes are entering God's kingdom ahead of you. For John came to you on the righteous road, and you didn't believe him. But tax collectors and prostitutes believed him. Yet even after you saw this, you didn't change your hearts and lives and you didn't believe him.

**D** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON**

Becky Robbins-Penniman

[Please be seated.]

**SERMON HYMN**

*Let Your Vineyard be Fruitful, Lord*

[Please stand.]

**All**



1. Let your vine-yard be fruit - ful, Lord, and the cha - lice of bles - sing poured.  
2. You're the vine that we all cling to, help us flour - ish in all we do;  
3. Here we taste of the feast to come; we all know where our gifts come from!



Seeds were sown for a har-vest sweet: Bread of life for us all to eat.  
As we work and pray side by side, let your Spi - rit in us a - bide!  
Help us share them with all the world; let your vine-yard be fruit - ful Lord!

*Refrain*



Hopes and dreams we bring, praise and songs we sing,



Christ is now our guest: we're all blessed!

## THE NICENE CREED

**AD** 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 stand, kneel, or sit, as you choose.]*

**D** Let us pray to God, who is made known in Jesus Christ:

**L** Father of all, let all the world be saved through your Son. Let our president, and all rulers and authorities, seek and see your kingdom so that peace may reign in our time.

**C** **As your Son taught us, we pray for our enemies.**

**L** God of the Prophets, we thank you for calling all people to be righteous, justifying us with the free gift of your grace. Let this parish be a place where your testimony is received, where guests find a welcome, and where all are born anew of the Spirit.

**C** **Give strength to your church as together, trusting in you and supporting each other, we proclaim your kingdom with our lives.**

**L** Restoring God, there are many who may feel lost or even condemned as they endure trouble and illness. We ask for your healing to lift up and comfort *[read names in notebook]* and those we name now, aloud or in our hearts *[leave time...]*, as well as all others who suffer.

**C** **God of Light and Life, help us to be the answer to the prayers of those who cry out to you.**

**L** Lord God, we give you thanks for the blessings we received from your hand each day, especially the flowers given today in loving memory of Joe Sipos by his family. We rejoice in the knowledge that all good gifts around us come from your loving hand.

**C** **We ask for one more thing, Holy God: give us grateful hearts.**

- ℣ Lord of Eternal Life, we ask your mercy on all those who have died, especially [*read names in notebook*] and those on our hearts this day that we bring to you, [*leave time for people to give names, silently or aloud...*]. Let your grace and power give life to the dead and call into existence the things that do not exist.
- ☩ **We ask also that your comfort and strength surround all who grieve, whether their loss is new and raw, or has been a painful reality for many years.**

℣ Bless us to be a blessing.

℣ **Holy Spirit, fill our hearts this day and every day so that we live our lives in ways that honor your image in us, our baptism in you, and our connection with each other. Amen.**

### CONFESION AND ABSOLUTION

*[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]*

℣ We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. [*Silence is kept.*]  
Have mercy upon us...

☩ **most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.**

### PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS

[Those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries or special occasions may receive an individual blessing.]

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### THE GREETING OF PEACE

*[Please stand.]*

℣ 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

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

℣ O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being. Bring your tithes, gifts and offerings with hearts full of thanksgiving.

### OFFERTORY

*[Please be seated.]*

*How Firm a Foundation*

American/Wood

**PRESENTATION**

*[Please stand when the plates are given to the 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**

*We Give Thee but Thine Own*

- Ⓐ ***We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.***

***May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first-fruits give.***

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER** [Eucharistic Prayer C, revised]

- Ⓐ 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 our thanks and praise.**
- Ⓐ It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
- Ⓒ **Glory to you for ever and ever.**
- Ⓐ At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being. From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation.
- Ⓒ **Glory to you for ever and ever.**
- Ⓐ But still we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Savior. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.
- Ⓒ **Glory to you for ever and ever.**
- Ⓐ Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**SANCTUS**

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

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***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
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.]

- P** Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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."

- C** **Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.**

**Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised;**

- P** Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, creator of all.

Amen

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**C**



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#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P** And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**AU** **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

- Ⓟ Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains were gathered and made into this one Bread.
- Ⓞ **So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

- Ⓟ The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*[You may be seated. All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the directions of the usher, who will let you know when it's your turn to go to the altar rail. You may stand or kneel. To receive, hold your hands in front of you, one palm over the other. The priest will place a wafer there. You may either consume it immediately, and then sip from the cup of wine when it comes to you, or, you may wait and dip the wafer into the wine. When you are finished, please return to your seat by the side aisle.]*

**Our Prayer Team will be in the south narthex (at the back of the church) during Holy Communion to pray with you for healing, guidance, a loved one, or anything else on your heart.**

## CHOIR HYMN

*[Please remain seated.]*

## CHANT

*Laudate Dominum*

*[Please repeat this chant until the musician stops playing the tune.]*

***Sing, praise and bless the Lord. Sing, praise and bless the Lord.  
Peoples! Nations! Alleluia!***

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]*

- Ⓟ Let us pray...
- Ⓞ **Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

*[Please stand.]*

- Ⓟ Beloved, life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us, so be quick to love and make haste to be kind. As you leave this place, the blessing of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you, now and forever.
- Ⓞ **Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

*This Land Is Your Land*

Words and Music by Woody Guthrie

**AI** *This land is your land, this land is my land  
From California to the New York island;  
From the red wood forest to the Gulf Stream waters  
This land was made for you and me.*

*As I was walking that ribbon of highway,  
I saw above me that endless skyway:  
I saw below me that golden valley:  
This land was made for you and me.*

*I've roamed and rambled and I followed my footsteps  
To the sparkling sands of her diamond deserts;  
And all around me a voice was sounding:  
This land was made for you and me.*

*When the sun came shining, and I was strolling,  
And the wheat fields waving and the dust clouds rolling,  
As the fog was lifting a voice was chanting:  
This land was made for you and me.*

*This land is your land, this land is my land  
From California to the New York island;  
From the red wood forest to the Gulf Stream waters  
This land was made for you and me.*

**THE DISMISSAL**

**P** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**G** **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*How Firm a Foundation*

W. Held

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