

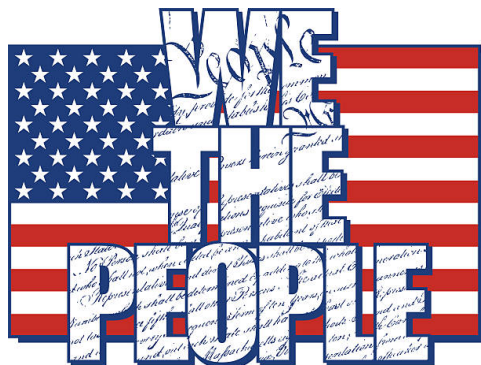
The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 15, 2019

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion

Constitution Sunday



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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

Aria

G. Hancock

[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

God of Our Fathers

718, vs. 1–3

[Please stand when the chimes sound.]

C *God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.*

*Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
in this free land by thee our lot is cast;
be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.*

*From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
be thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
thy true religion in our hearts increase,
thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.*

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... Almighty God, who created us in your own image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

G **Amen.**

WORD OF GOD

THE READINGS: Sirach 10:12–18 • Psalm 112 • 1 Timothy 2:1–7 • Luke 14:1, 7–14

[Please be seated.]

The First Reading:

L *The First Reading is taken from Sirach, chapter 10...*

Human arrogance begins when people rebel against the Lord, and their hearts rebel against the one who made them. The beginning of arrogance is sin, and those who cling to it will pour out blasphemy. For this reason the Lord brings calamities upon them, and he ruins them completely. The Lord destroyed the thrones of rulers, and he raised up the gentle in their place. The Lord plucked up the roots of nations, and he planted the humble in their place. The Lord ruined the lands of the nations, and he leveled them to their very foundations. He removed some people and destroyed them, and he erased their memory from the earth. Humans were not created to be arrogant, nor were those born of women made to indulge in anger.

L The Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Metrical Psalm 112: [Tune: *In Christ There Is No East*]

**Hallelujah! How blest are they Whose joy is God's command;
Their children always will be blessed And mighty in the land.**

**Riches and wealth will bless their homes, Their justice will endure,
And they are merciful; light shines In darkness for the pure.**

**In justice do they rule their lives, And freely do they lend;
Unshaken they, their memory Is treasured without end.**

**The righteous spread their gifts abroad, Give freely to the poor;
With honor will their heads be raised; Their justice will endure.**

The Second Reading:

℣ *The Second Reading is taken from 1 Timothy, chapter 2...*

First of all, then, I ask that requests, prayers, petitions, and thanksgiving be made for all people. Pray for kings and everyone who is in authority so that we can live a quiet and peaceful life in complete godliness and dignity. This is right and it pleases God our savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. There is one God and one mediator between God and humanity, the human Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a payment to set all people free. This was a testimony that was given at the right time. I was appointed to be a preacher and apostle of this testimony—I'm telling the truth and I'm not lying! I'm a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

℣ 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:

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

☩ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

℣ One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched. When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, 'Give this person your seat.' Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, move up to a better place.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

℣ The Gospel of the Lord.

☩ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

[Please be seated.]

Cindy Roehl

SERMON HYMN

[Please stand.]

God of Freedom, God of Justice

**¶ God of freedom, God of justice, you whose love is strong as death,
you who saw the dark of prison, you who knew the price of faith —
touch our world of sad oppression with your Spirit's healing breath.**

***Rid the earth of torture's terror, you whose hands were nailed to wood,
hear the cries of pain and protest, you who shed the tears and blood —
move in us the power of pity restless for the common good.***

***Make in us a captive conscience quick to hear, to act, to plead;
make us truly sisters, brothers of whatever race or creed —
teach us to be fully human, open to each other's need.***

Author: Shirley Erena Murray

Tune: Regents Square H 93

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

- Ⓓ God of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ you promise to hear us when we pray to you in faith with thanksgiving.

- Ⓕ We pray for one another, for our families and friends, through whom we learn to love and to be loved. Thank you for all who care for us.
- Ⓖ **Give us grace to serve the Lord by serving our neighbors and our community, loving others as Jesus Christ loves us.**

- Ⓕ We thank you for the unfailing love you hold out to everyone in Jesus Christ. Comfort and heal those in sorrow, need, sickness or any other trouble *[especially for . . .add names from notebook]* and those we now name aloud or in our hearts. *[Leave time.....]* Give them courage and hope in their distress.
- Ⓖ **Bless those who minister to them, and help us be the answers to the prayers of those who cry out to you.**

- Ⓕ We rejoice in the beauty and wonder of your creation, especially in the flowers given to us today which speak of your glory. You may name your blessing silently or aloud *[Leave time.....]*. Help us and people everywhere to share with justice and peace the resources of the planet.
- Ⓖ **Give wisdom to those in authority among us and to all leaders of the nations, so that your glory will cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.**

- Ⓕ We pray for your Church throughout the world, thanking you for all who serve Christ and his kingdom. By your Spirit strengthen your people for their work and witness in the world.
- Ⓖ **Unite us in your truth and love, that we who confess your name may also reflect your glory.**

- Ⓕ We remember with thanksgiving all who have died in Christ *[especially for . . .add names from notebook]* and those we now name aloud or in our hearts. *[Leave time.....]*. We rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age.
- Ⓖ **We pray that we may enter with them into the unending joy of your heavenly kingdom.**

- Ⓕ Merciful God, you look with compassion on all who turn to you. Hear the prayers of your people.
- Ⓖ **Those things, good Lord, that your servants have prayed for give us grace to work for; and in the purpose of your love answer our prayers and fulfil our hopes for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]

- Ⓓ Let us confess our sins to God. *[Silence is kept.]* Merciful God.....
- ☞ **we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance; we have sinned in weakness; we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us, for our Savior Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.**
- Ⓓ Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal.
- ☞ **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

Be Thou My Vision

D. Johnson

[Please be seated.]

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]

- P** The Lord be with you.
- G** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- G** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- G** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- P** It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
- G** **Glory to you for ever and ever.**
- P** 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.
- G** **Glory to you for ever and ever.**
- P** 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.
- G** **Glory to you for ever and ever.**
- P** 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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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

A **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 Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains were gathered and made into this one Bread.

C **So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

P 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

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

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

***Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us breath;
such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as killeth death.***

***Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as shows a feast;
such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes his guest.***

***Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as none can move;
such a love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love.***

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]

P Let us pray...

G **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.]

P 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.

G **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

717, vs. 1,2,4

***My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing;
land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride,
from every mountainside let freedom ring.***

***My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills;
my heart with rapture thrills like that above.***

***Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing;
long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
protect us by thy might, great God, our King.***

THE DISMISSAL

P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

B. Marcello

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