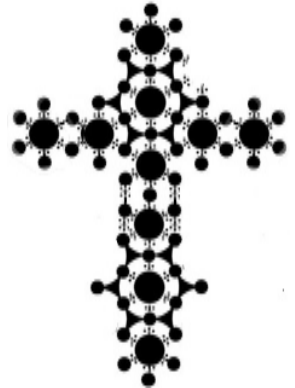


The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 2019

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion



Episcopal Church of the

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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

Reflections

Joseph Martin

[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

Here in this Place

[Please stand when the chimes sound.]

C *Here in this place the new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.*

*We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.*

*Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.*

*Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away—
here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.*

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.**

AI **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.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray... Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

WORD OF GOD

THE READINGS: Deuteronomy 30:15–20 • Psalm 1 • 1 John 3:13–19 • Luke 14:25–33

[Please be seated.]

The First Reading:

L *The First Reading is taken from Deuteronomy, chapter 30...*

Look here! Today I've set before you life and what's good versus death and what's wrong. If you obey the Lord your God's commandments that I'm commanding you right now by loving the Lord your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments, his regulations, and his case laws, then you will live and thrive, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you refuse to listen, and so are misled, worshipping other gods and serving them, I'm telling you right now that you will definitely die. You will not prolong your life on the fertile land that you are crossing the Jordan River to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth as my witnesses against you right now: I have set life and death, blessing and curse before you. Now choose life—so that you and your descendants will live— by loving the Lord your God, by obeying his voice, and by clinging to him. That's how you will survive and live long on the fertile land the Lord swore to give to your ancestors: to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Metrical Psalm 1: [Tune: *All People That on Earth*]

***How happy those who have not walked With the ungodly of the land,
Nor lingered in the sinners' way, Nor sat with those who mock God's hand.***

***How happy those who love the law And find in it their chief delight;
They meditate continually Upon God's law both day and night.***

***Like fruitful trees by flowing streams, With leaves that never fade or fall,
Are those who serve God day and night; They find prosperity in all.***

***Then praise our God who knows so well The way in which the righteous go;
The path which the ungodly walk Is doomed, as all God's people know.***

The Second Reading:

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

Don't be surprised, brothers and sisters, if the world hates you. We know that we have transferred from death to life, because we love the brothers and sisters. The person who does not love remains in death. Everyone who hates a brother or sister is a murderer, and you know that murderers don't have eternal life residing in them. This is how we know love: Jesus laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. But if someone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but refuses to help—how can the love of God dwell in a person like that?

Little children, let's not love with words or speech but with action and truth. This is how we will know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts in God's presence.

℣ The Word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

ACCLAMATION

O Christ, the Word Incarnate

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[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.**

📖 Large crowds were traveling with Jesus. Turning to them, he said, “Whoever comes to me and doesn’t hate father and mother, spouse and children, and brothers and sisters—yes, even one’s own life—cannot be my disciple. Whoever doesn’t carry their own cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

“If one of you wanted to build a tower, wouldn’t you first sit down and calculate the cost, to determine whether you have enough money to complete it? Otherwise, when you have laid the foundation but couldn’t finish the tower, all who see it will begin to belittle you. They will say, ‘Here’s the person who began construction and couldn’t complete it!’ Or what king would go to war against another king without first sitting down to consider whether his ten thousand soldiers could go up against the twenty thousand coming against him? And if he didn’t think he could win, he would send a representative to discuss terms of peace while his enemy was still a long way off. In the same way, none of you who are unwilling to give up all of your possessions can be my disciple.”

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

🔊 **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

Becky Robbins-Penniman

[Please be seated.]

SERMON HYMN

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

[Please stand.]

[Tune: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling]

🔊 ***God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store:
nature’s wonder, Jesus’ wisdom, costly cross, grave’s shattered door,
gifted by you, we turn to you, off’ring up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.***

***Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone;
born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.***

***Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through pow’rs your grace conferred;
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ’s ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.***

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

- L** 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.
- C** **Give us grace to serve the Lord by serving our neighbors and our community, loving others as Jesus Christ loves us.**

- L** 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. Give them courage and hope in their distress.
- C** **Bless those who minister to them, and help us be the answers to the prayers of those who cry out to you.**

- L** We rejoice in the beauty and wonder of your creation, especially in the flowers given to us today *[given by . . .]* 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.
- C** **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

Hear My Words

S. Paulus

[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]

- ☩ 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:

**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.]

- ☐ 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."

- ☐ **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;

- ☐ 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

- ☐ 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

- Ⓟ 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

Eat This Bread

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

Eat this bread, drink this cup. Come to me and never by hungry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup; trust in me and you will not thirst.

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

Take Up Your Cross

**Take up your cross, the Savior said, if you would my disciple be;
take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after me.**

**Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and calmly every danger brave:
it guides you to abundant life and leads to victory o'er the grave.**

**Take up your cross, and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down;
for only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.**

THE DISMISSAL

P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Toccata in E minor

J. Pachelbel

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