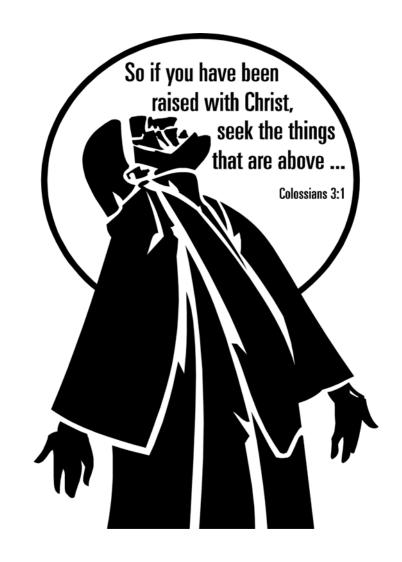
Celebrating Christ's Presence In a Changing World

St. Paul's Episcopal Church



The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 31, 2022

10:30 am

Welcome to St. Paul's! We are so happy you are with us today. Everyone is invited to take Holy Communion (the bread and the wine) and we have gluten free bread available. Just follow the congregation up the aisle. If you would like to come up for a blessing only, please cross your hands over your chest. Thanks for being here and please come again!

Prelude "Sheep May Safely Graze"

Bach/Carter

Opening Hymn The Hymnal 1982 #398

I Sing The Almighty Power of God

Welcome by The Rev. Sarah Hurlbert

Celebrant Blessed be God: + Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant:

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.**

GLORIA Worship & Rejoice Hymnal #492

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me.
Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me.
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the Living God,
Move among us all,
make us one in heart and mind,
make us one in love.
Humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
Spirit of the Living God,
Fill our lives with love.

Words & Music: Daniel Iverson (1890-1977)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with youPeople And also with you

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. **Amen.**

(The people sit for the readings)

First Lesson Hosea 11:1-11

A Reading from the Prophet Hosea:

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.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

People Thanks be to God

Remain seated.

PSALM 107:1-9, 43

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, * and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim * that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; * from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- 4 Some wandered in desert wastes; * they found no way to a city where they might dwell.
- 5 They were hungry and thirsty; * their spirits languished within them.
- 6 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, * and he delivered them from their distress.
- 7 He put their feet on a straight path * to go to a city where they might dwell.
- 8 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy * and the wonders he does for his children.
- 9 For he satisfies the thirsty * and fills the hungry with good things.
- 43 Whoever is wise will ponder these things, * and consider well the mercies of the LORD.

A Reading from a Letter of St. Paul to the Colossians:

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!

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

People Thanks be to God

All stand as they are able.

Sequence Hymn The Hymnal 1982 #689

I Sought the Lord

The Holy Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke 12:13-21

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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 to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Sarah Hurlbert

(All stand)

Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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

(The people may continue to stand or kneel)

Intercessor: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to God,

saying "Christ, have mercy."

Intercessor For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church

of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray.

People Christ, have mercy.

Intercessor For our Bishop Bonnie, for Pastor Sarah, our Vestry and for all

the clergy and people, let us pray.

People Christ, have mercy.

Intercessor For our President, for the leaders of the nations, for our

Governor and for all in authority, let us pray.

People Christ, have mercy.

For this city of Jackson and its leaders, for every city and Intercessor

community, and for those who live in them, let us pray.

Christ, have mercy. People

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the Intercessor

wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray.

Christ, have mercy. People

Intercessor For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and

for the sick and the suffering, especially.....let us pray.

People Christ, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the Intercessor

destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who

remember and care for them, let us pray.

People Christ, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for Intercessor

all the departed, let us pray.

People Christ, have mercy.

In the communion of St. Paul and of all the saints, let us Intercessor

commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ

our God.

People To you, O Christ our God.

O God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the Celebrant

> multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory for ever and ever. Amen

Let us confess our sins to God. Celebrant

(Silence is kept)

All

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Celebrant Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our

life and labor to the Lord.

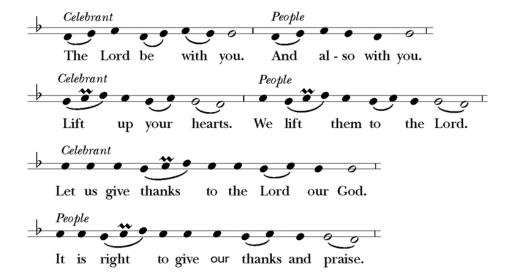
Meditation "Brother James' Air" Bain/Shackley

Doxology (all stand)

Praise God from whom all blessing flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Holy Communion

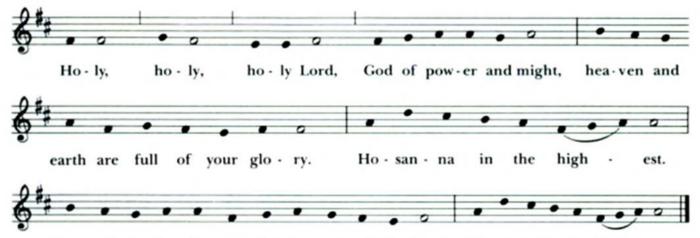
(please kneel or stand as you are able)



Celebrant,

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san- na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues,

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. +

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

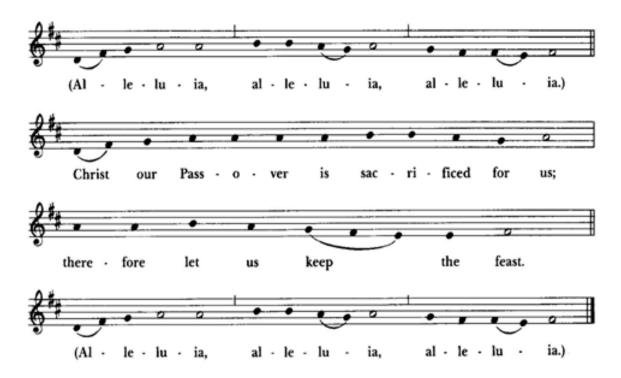
Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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



Celebrant,

Become what you see, receive who you are, the body and blood of Christ.

Communion Hymns:

(The Congregation is welcome to sing these hymns during communion)

The Hymnal 1982 #645

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

The Hymnal 1982 #314

Humbly I Adore Thee

All are invited to receive Holy Communion

After Communion, the Celebrant says,

Let us pray. We pray with those worshipping online and here present:

Celebrant and People,

Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Celebrant blesses the people, saying,

Life is short, and we have too little time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind.... and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: The Hymnal 1982 #637

How Firm a Foundation

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude "To God Be The Glory" Doane/Carter

ALTAR FLOWERS for today are given TO THE GLORY OF GOD and IN LOVING MEMORY of Patricia Reynolds Wallace and IN CELEBRATION of my husband's birthday by Pat Reynolds; and IN LOVING MEMORY of Robert & Marilyn Kempf by Brown Floral.

<u> Announcements</u>

- Thanks to your generosity, 52 kids went to Lake Michigan this past Thursday for the annual Get Real Beach Trip!
- We will be having a special good-bye party at the Cascades Manor House on Pastor Sarah's last Sunday, August 14th at 12:30 pm (after the 10:30 am service/in place of our usual coffee hour) at the Cascades Manor House. A flyer is on the bulletin board. Please offer a ride to someone who might need help getting there.



Worship Ministers:

The Rev. Sarah Hurlbert; Karen Annable, Organist;
Sandra Kilian, 1st Reader & LEM; Tom Holsinger-Friesen, 2nd Reader;
Loren Swanson, LEM; Samuel Holsinger-Friesen, Intercessor & Acolyte;
Leah Holsinger-Friesen, Acolyte
Barney Rudolph & Debbie Batchelder, Ushers
And special thanks as always, to our tech team - for their faithfulness & expertise!

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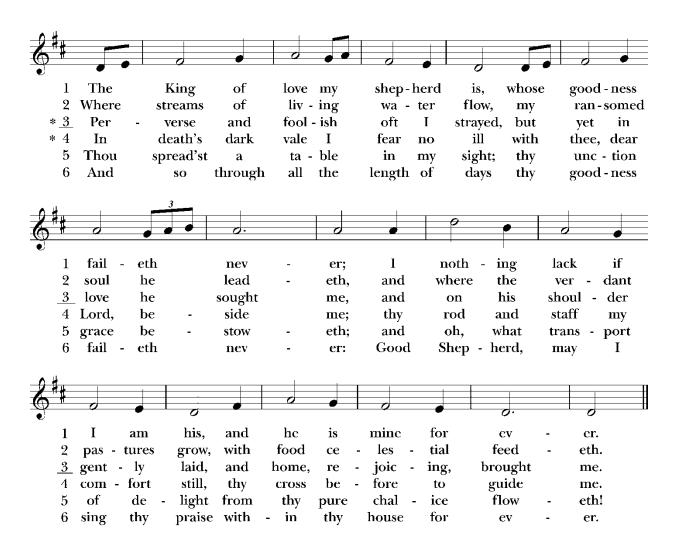
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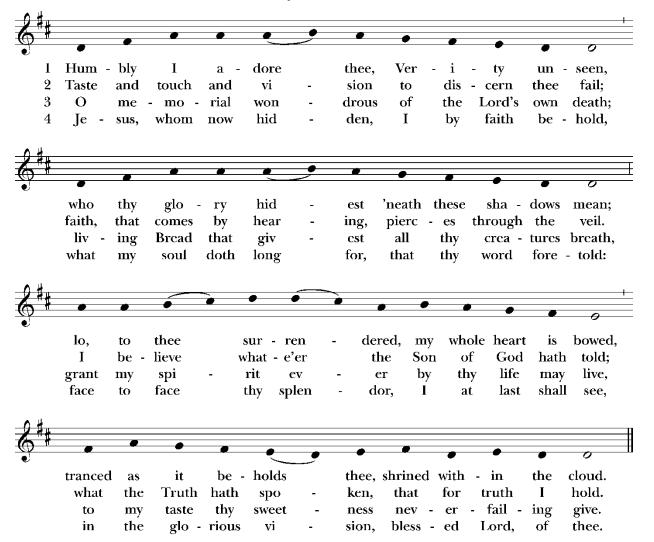
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