



## The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022

10am

*Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Matthew 5:3*

### Prelude

### Opening Hymn      #398 ~ *I Sing the Almighty Power of God*

I sing the almighty power of God, that made the mountains rise,  
that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;  
the moon shines full at his command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
he formed the creatures with his Word, and then pronounced them good.  
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye,  
if I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below, but makes thy glories known,  
and clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne;  
while all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care,  
and everywhere that I could be, thou, God, art present there.

**Leader:** Come and stand behind the Shield, the one in whom your hearts believe;

**People:** Let us learn what it means to be saved by the Lord.

**Leader:** Come and stand upon the Rock, the one on whom your hearts rely;

**People:** Let us learn what it means to be strong in the Lord.

**Leader:** Come and stand around the Shepherd, the one in whom your hearts have faith;

**People:** Let us learn what it means to be loved by the Lord.

All: O Spirit who makes us the image of God, help us become the saviors of the helpless the pillars of the weak, the finders of the forsaken!

The Gloria

1982 Hymnal S 280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth,  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the Glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

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.

Old Testament

[Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23](#)

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me ~ and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

## The Psalm

### Psalm 49:1-11

- 1 Hear this, all you peoples;  
    hearken, all you who dwell in the world, \*  
    you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.
- 2 **My mouth shall speak of wisdom, \***  
    **and my heart shall meditate on understanding.**
- 3 I will incline my ear to a proverb \*  
    and set forth my riddle upon the harp.
- 4 **Why should I be afraid in evil days, \***  
    **when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,**
- 5 The wickedness of those who put their trust in their goods, \*  
    and boast of their great riches?
- 6 **We can never ransom ourselves, \***  
    **or deliver to God the price of our life;**
- 7 For the ransom of our life is so great, \*  
    that we should never have enough to pay it,
- 8 **In order to live for ever and ever, \***  
    **and never see the grave.**
- 9 For we see that the wise die also;  
    like the dull and stupid they perish \*  
    and leave their wealth to those who come after them.
- 10 **Their graves shall be their homes for ever,**  
    **their dwelling places from generation to generation, \***  
    **though they call the lands after their own names.**
- 11 Even though honored, they cannot live for ever; \*  
    they are like the beasts that perish.

## The Epistle

### Colossians 3:1-11

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!

Gospel Hymn      #707 ~ *Take My Life and Let it Be*

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.  
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love;  
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King;  
Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.  
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.  
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

The Gospel  
[Luke 12:13-21](#)

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."

The Sermon

The Rev. John Beach

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

God of heaven and earth, in your wisdom you made the whole creation and called it good. You have lavished your creatures with beauty and sustained us with your grace. Even so, we are distracted and seduced and wreak havoc on the world you made. Humbly, then, we pray to you for comfort and healing and peace, saying Gracious God, hear our prayer.

For those who declare war, those who wage it, and those who suffer from it. We remember particularly the people of Ukraine. Gracious God,  
**Hear our Prayer.**

For your church, that we may overcome divisions and live in the unity given to us in Christ. We lift up the Bishops of the Anglican Communion now meeting at Lambeth Palace. Gracious God,  
**Hear our Prayer.**

For your creation, that the earth's wounds may be healed and may become better caretakers...  
**Hear our Prayer**

For those who fight despair, struggle with addiction, or live without hope...  
**Hear our Prayer.**

For those who are ill, and all who care for them, remembering especially...  
**Hear our Prayer.**

For the secret burdens of our hearts (*time of silence*)  
**Hear our Prayer.**

Grateful for your mercy, we entrust these and all our prayers to you through our Savior Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Already assured that forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ, let us lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, that we might receive mercy and amend our lives.

*Silence*

*Minister and People*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,**

and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The Officiant, stands*

If God is for us, who is against us? In Jesus Christ you have been set free. Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace Amen.

### **The Peace**

*Officiant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*          And also with you.

### **Invitation to the Offering**

Jesus sends his disciples into the world to bless all by his grace. With God's love, in the Holy Spirit, let us make this our offering to God.

### **The Holy Communion**

#### **Offertory Anthem**

#### **Doxology**

1982 Hymnal #380 vs. 3 only

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

God our sustainer, accept all we offer you this day, and feed us continually with that bread which satisfies all hunger, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ.

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 him thanks and praise.*

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Officiant proceeds*

God of all power, Ruler 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 rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

*Minister and People*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*The Officiant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
*We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

AMEN.

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

### The Lord's Prayer

**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

*Officiant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

### The Invitation to Holy Communion

*A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.*

*The Officiant invites the following prayer to be said by all.*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let

me never be separated from you. May I live in you and you in me, in this life and in the life to come.  
Amen.

**Fraction Anthem**

1982 Hymnal #S 155 ~ *Christ, our Passover*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Officiant*      The Gifts of God for the People of God. This is God's table, and everyone is welcome here.

**Distribution of Communion**

**Communion Anthem**

**Post-communion Prayer**

God of grace, we have shared in the mystery of the body and blood of Christ. May we who have tasted the bread of life live with you forever. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Officiant*      Let us pray.

*People*          **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Blessing**

As once the spirit of God dwelled bodily in Jesus of Nazareth, so now the spirit of God dwells in us, the body of Christ. Being therefore members of one another, let us care for one another: If any of us suffer, let all suffer together; if any of us rejoice, let all rejoice together.

**Closing Hymn**      #423 ~ *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish, as leaves on the tree,  
then wither and perish, but nought changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light,  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
all laud we would render: O help us to see:  
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

### Dismissal

*Officiant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

### Postlude

#### Weekly Prayer List

David Bell, Diane Brophy, Paul Brophy, Maureen Burke, Barbara Cox, Don DiGiacomo, Oriol Pi-Sunyer, Jim Dockery, Janet Dunton, Beth (Manoogian) DuPlessie, Jim & Tim Eldridge, Joanne Felci, Paul Felci, Ruth Garrett, Peggy Gibbs, Gary Goodwin, Carolyn Hashem, Tom Hashem, Bruce Higgins, Jeanne Kelly-Smith, Paige Kimball, Dennis Lancaster, Janet Lancaster, Lisa Lancaster, Ron Luongo, Janet Macrina, Matt, Lori M., Mary & Dante, Harriet Miraglia, Erica Moore, Gisela Moore, Jeanine Morris, Bonnie Muise, Fran Muise, Sara Murray, Gordon Noseworthy, Bill, Sandy, and David St. Clair, Nancy Scarry, Terrie Sevier, Kelly Shaw, Ray Shaw, Malcolm Silva, Gail Smith, Victoria Smith, Amanda Sullivan, Linda Sullivan, Meghan Tapley, Addison White, Walter, and Rachel.

## Announcements

### Upcoming Events

After frequent discussions regarding the date of this year's fair, last Sunday we had another exchange of ideas and landed on the following:

\* The Roast Beef Dinner will be **Saturday, October 22**. At this time, the plan is for a 'to go' meal. Fritz White is our Chef.

\* The fair this year will be on **Saturday, October 15, from 9-2**. There will not be a fair or pie social on Friday night, October 14. Fritz White and committee will have a BBQ outdoors. We appreciate all the help you have given in the past. Please let me know if you will be able to help out again. It is not too soon to bring in items for the raffle baskets. Sandy St. Clair is once again heading up that activity.

\* The Lobster Roll sale is **Friday, September 16**. T.J. Martin is heading up the sale.

\* Founders' Day will be **Saturday, September 10** (the first Saturday following Labor Day). Help is always needed.

Thank you, Donna Manoogian, Fair Chairperson

### Participants in this Service:

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