
THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ August 18, 2024

9:00 A.M. MORNING PRAYER: RITE I

Opening Hymn: #420 "When in our music God is glorified"

Opening Sentence

Officiant: The Lord is in his holy temple.

Let all the earth keep silence before him.

Officiant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Confession of Sin (*in unison*)

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Almighty and most merciful Father,

**we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our
own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to
have done, and we have done those things
which we ought not to have done.**

**But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who
confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father,
for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous,
and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

All Stand.

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: ***And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.***

**All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Officiant: The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

O come let us adore him.

The Venite: Psalm 95 (*The Officiant leads the people*)

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; *

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth, *

and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it, *

and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down, *

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God, *

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; *

let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, *

and with righteousness to judge the world

and the peoples with his truth.

The Readings and Canticles (*All are seated as the Reader leads the people in the psalm, readings and canticles.*)

The Psalm for the Day: Psalm 111

1 Hallelujah!

**I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.**

**2 Great are the deeds of the Lord! *
they are studied by all who delight in them.**

**3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures for ever.**

**4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.**

**5 He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.**

**6 He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

**7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.**

**8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.**

**9 He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.**

**10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.**

The First Lesson: 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So, Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked

for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed, I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.”

Reader: Hear endeth the Lesson

Canticle 4: The Song of Zechariah (*Said in unison*) BCP p. 50

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, *
for he hath visited and redeemed his people;
And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us *
in the house of his servant David,
As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, *
which have been since the world began:
That we should be saved from our enemies, *
and from the hand of all that hate us;
To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers, *
and to remember his holy covenant;
To perform the oath
which he sware to our forefather Abraham, *
that he would give us,
That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies *
might serve him without fear,
In holiness and righteousness before him, *
all the days of our life.

**Thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest,*
for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord
to prepare his ways;
To give knowledge of salvation unto his people *
for the remission of their sins,
Through the tender mercy of our God, *
whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us;
To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the
shadow of death,*
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: Hear endeth the Lesson

Canticle 7 “We Praise Thee” (*said in unison*)

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**We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.
To thee all Angels cry aloud,
 the Heavens and all the Powers therein.
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
 heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.
The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee.
The noble army of martyrs praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world doth
 acknowledge thee, the Father, of an infinite majesty,
 thine adorable, true, and only Son,
 also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.
Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,
 thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
 thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God,
 in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,
 whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy saints,
 in glory everlasting.**

Sequence Hymn #427 “When morning gilds the skies”

The Gospel: John 6:51-58

Jesus said, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

Reader: Hear endeth the Lesson

Sermon

The Rev. Mark Santostefano

The Apostles’ Creed (*all standing*)

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**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers (*People may stand or kneel.*)

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with thy spirit.*

Officiant: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer (*Said in unison*)

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 Suffrages

Intercessor O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People ***And grant us thy salvation.***

Intercessor Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

People ***And make thy chosen people joyful.***

Intercessor Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People ***For only in thee can we live in safety.***

Intercessor Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

People ***And guide us in the way of justice and truth.***

Intercessor Let thy way be known upon earth;

People ***Thy saving health among all nations.***

Intercessor Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People ***Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.***

Intercessor Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People ***And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.***

The Collect of the Day (*said in unison*)

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially our retiring Presiding Bishop, Michael and our newly elected Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe; our bishops, Jeff and Laura, our priest, Ron; for our deacons, Donna Gray & Marge Roccoberton, and for all priests and deacons, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present and those who are celebrating their birthdays this week: especially Joan Churney (8/18), Fran Carino (8/20), Bob LaMay (8/22), Art Engler (8/23), and for those

celebrating anniversaries that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: Fresh expressions of the church in Connecticut; missional experiments; students preparing to enter schools, colleges, universities, and seminaries; school, college, and university chaplains; all campus ministries; *The Anglican Church of Melanesia*

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially the President of the United States, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. We pray especially for those who have requested our prayers including Chris P., Gloria, Joanie Perkins, Cathy Gerke, Francisco, Nancy Kirkham, Sue Atkinson, Jeni, Art A., Donna K., and for those who are noted in the Continuing Prayers List that you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, remembering especially Ed Bader and Erich Siismets, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and

service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

The Intercessor concludes by leading the following collect

A Collect for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

All stand.

The Peace:

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Announcements

Officiant: Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave Himself to us, an offering and a sacrifice to God.

Offertory

Offertory Hymn: #488 "Be thou my vision"

Prayer of General Thanksgiving *(in unison)*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness

and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Officiant concludes the service with the following prayer.

Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: fulfill now O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

The candles are extinguished

Closing Hymn: #527 “Singing songs of expectation”

The Dismissal:

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Parish Family Remembrances and Thanksgivings for Aug 18, 2024

We pray for our clergy: Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the retiring Presiding Bishop and Sean, the Presiding Bishop-elect; Jeff & Laura, the Bishops of Connecticut; for our priest Ron; for our deacons Donna and Marge; and for all bishops, priests and deacons;

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Fresh expressions of the church in Connecticut; missional experiments; students preparing to enter schools, colleges, universities, and seminaries; school, college, and university chaplains; all campus ministries; *The Anglican Church of Melanesia*

In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all our parish family and especially those who have requested our prayers including Chris P., Joanie, Cathy, Jeni, Art A., Donna K., and for those who are on our Continuing Prayer list, that you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs.

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We pray for the deceased remembering especially Ed Bader and Erich Siismets,

Continuing Prayer List

Lillian Borsotti, Wally and Sky Barton, Neal Harris, Nancy Duncan, Judy P., Tom and Mercedes Welles, Tracie and Jay Tim O'Shea, Carol Baldwin, Leila Lou Baldwin, Bill Baldwin, Judy, Robin, Brenda, Richard Taylor, Jim, Jeff Baez, Lydia, David Rigby, Judy Knox, Deanne Bowen, June Beauvais; Star, Norm, Laura Beaudoin, Bill Houle, Cara Begin, Aimee Goodrich, Derek Anderson, Justin, Janet Nixon, Bill D., Steve Dubin, Ryan, Roberto Rodegher, Marlin Corbean; Nelson & Marianne Moore; Brian, Joan Hamilton, Kathryn & Olivia; Caroline, Ron Lamp, Rina Bettancourt; Susan Hicks & family, Ambrosio Vidal & Family, Jeannette Farren & Family; Noel, Daryl, Scott Goodrich, Ella & Nicole, Patricia Angelou, Lou and Heidi Schluntz.

