



July 23, 2023
The Eighth Sunday of Pentecost

Announcements

Prelude:

Reflections on “The Valley of Peace,” Albin C. Whitworth

Opening Hymn

Morning has broken

Hymn 8

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

BCP 355

Stand as you are able.

The Word of God

Celebrant: Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Let us pray together the Collect for Purity

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

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Collect of The Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for

our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

All are seated.

The Lessons

A Reading from: Isaiah 44:6-8

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel,
and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts:

I am the first and I am the last;
besides me there is no god.

Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,
let them declare and set it forth before me.

Who has announced from of old the things to
come?

Let them tell us what is yet to be.

Do not fear, or be afraid;
have I not told you from of old and declared
it?

You are my witnesses!

Is there any god besides me?
There is no other rock; I know not one.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 86: 11-17

11 Teach me your way, O Lord,
and I will walk in your truth; *
knit my heart to you that I may fear your
Name.

12 I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my
heart, *
and glorify your Name for evermore.

- 13 For great is your love toward me; *
you have delivered me from the nethermost
Pit.
- 14 The arrogant rise up against me, O God,
and a band of violent men seeks my life; *
they have not set you before their eyes.
- 15 But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of
compassion, *
slow to anger, and full of kindness and
truth.
- 16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; *
give your strength to your servant;
and save the child of your handmaid.
- 17 Show me a sign of your favor,
so that those who hate me may see it and be
ashamed; *
because you, O Lord, have helped me and
comforted me.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the
Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**The Epistle
Romans 8:12-25**

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the
flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live
according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the
Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you
will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God
are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit
of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have
received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba!
Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with
our spirit that we are children of God, and if
children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs

with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand as you are able.

Sequence Hymn:

Lord, make us servants of your peace

Hymn 593

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed

weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated.

Homily

Rev. Vikki Clayton

All stand as you are able.

The 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.**

All stand or kneel as you are able.

The Prayers of the People Form III **BCP 387**

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and
Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the
nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or
trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
Silence.

**We pray for those on the Anglican and Diocesan
Cycles of Prayer and our Parish Family and Friends**

We pray for: Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury.
Michael, Our Presiding Bishop, Mariann Our Bishop
and Vikki, our Rector; for this gathering; and for all
ministers and people.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Church of the Province of Central Africa

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. Christopher's Church, New Carrollton
St. James' Church, Indian Head
St. James' Church, Potomac
St. James' Children's School, Potomac
St. Anne's Church, Damascus

For our Parish Family and Friends:

Stevie Grimes, Laura Hobbs, Nancy Harding, Frank
McMurtray, Janet McMurtray

Carolann Guerette (V. Cross)
Frank and Jerry Cross (V. Cross)
Rebecca Koltun & family (J. Rutherford)
Susan Oliver (J. Shea)
Thomas Cooper and Mrs. Boyd (D. Burton)
Roseann Royle (N. Row)
Darcy Alt (S. Henderson)
James Morris (D. Howard)
Pam Jagusch (S. Grimes)
Linda Abrahams (V. Clayton)

Nalini Cherian (W. & J. Fitts)
Tachia Roland-Morris (V. Clayton & V. Cross)
Jeff Weinberger (S. Henderson)
Nick Vlachos (C. Hendricks)
Janice and Jeff Sands (M. Wemple)
Meghan Bradley (N. Row)
Bill Royle (N. Row)
Patty Terry (V. Clayton)
Rev. Louis Wheeler (J. Fitts)
Nancy Willett (J. Rutherford)
Scott Johnston (V. Cross)
The Dodge Family (M. Wemple)
Seth Washington (S. Grimes)

Rest of the soul of Al Hendricks, may he rest in peace
(C. Hendricks)

July Birthdays

Deborah Howard	July 4
Mark Pera	July 8
Ryan Zolkiewicz	July 12
Dana Burton	July 13
Nancy Harding	July 13
Charles Frederick	July 27
Olivia Hutchinson	July 31

Celebrant:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the 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, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant:

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

All stand as you are able.

The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

The Offertory

Celebrant: Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us as offering and sacrifice to God.

All are seated.

Offertory Hymn

And now, O Father, mindful of the love

Hymn 337

All stand as you are able.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above the Heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

**Eucharistic Prayer B
The Great Thanksgiving**

BCP 367

All stand as you are able.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People:**Hymn S129**

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.

All stand or kneel as you are able.

Celebrant:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
Celebrant and People
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Bartholomew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: And now as our Savior taught us we are bold to say:

Celebrant and People:

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 Fraction

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover has sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia

Celebrant:

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.

Closing Prayer of Thanksgiving **BCP 365**

Let us pray.

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.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

O come, all ye faithful,

Hymn 83 vs. 1-3 and 6

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude:

Solfeggio, Leonardo Leo, ed. Charles Callahan

Gloria

Lauren C. Fisher

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to His peo - ple on ear - th.

5 Oh, Lord God, our heaven-ly King, al - might - y God and Fath - er, we

9 wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

13 Oh, Lord Christ, the Son of the Fath - er, Je - sus, Lamb of God,

17 you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are

21 seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

26 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the

31 Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the

37 Fa - ther. A - - - men.

Serving Today

Lay Reader Richard Rutherford

Lay Eucharist Minister Victoria Cross

Choir Director, Music Director, and Organist

Lauren Fisher

Usher Mark Wilner

Broadcast Technician Jeff Bergsten

Altar Guild Janet Shea and Lois Leigh

Flower Guild Meredith Smith

Celebrant & Preacher The Rev. Vikki Clayton

St. Bartholomew's Choir

Jeff Bergsten, Ann Fitts, Bill Fitts, Charley Hendricks, Judy O'Neil, Maggie Schneider Ramey (visiting soprano), Geoffrey Rutherford, Jennifer Rutherford, Judith Schneider, Mary Wemple

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Senior Warden Nancy Row

Junior Warden Jeff Bergsten

Vestry:

Victoria Cross, Lauren Fisher, William Fitts, Charles Frederick, Charley Hendricks, Deborah Howard, Lois Leigh, Lauren Murtiff, Robert Palmer

Coffee Hour

Coffee hour today is hosted by Charles Frederick.

Please join us in the undercroft.

Forward Day by Day

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