

# August 29, 2021 9:00 AM Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

#### Welcome & Introduction

Prelude "Toccata in E major" Johann Ludwig Krebs

**Opening Hymn** "Sing praise to God who reigns above"

Hymn #408

- 1. Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation; with healing balm my soul he fills, and every faithless murmur stills: to God all praise and glory.
- 2. What God's almighty power hath made, his gracious mercy keepeth; by morning glow or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.

  Within the kingdom of his might, lo! All is just and all is right: to God all praise and glory.
- 3. Let all who name Christ's holy Name give God all praise and glory; let all who know his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story! Cast each false idol from its throne, the Lord is God, and he alone: to God all praise and glory.

### **Opening Acclamation**

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg 355

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

*People* And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

Amen.

#### **Collect of Purity**

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg 355

People 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 Hymn S280

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.

## Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

# A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy (4:1-2, 6-9)

Moses said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you.

You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

Reader The Word of the Lord. **People** Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 15

Domine, quis habitabit?

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 599

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \* who may abide upon your holy hill?

Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \* who speaks the truth from his heart.

There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; \* he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

In his sight the wicked is rejected, \* but he honors those who fear the Lord.

He has sworn to do no wrong \* and does not take back his word.

He does not give his money in hope of gain, \* nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

Whoever does these things \* shall never be overthrown.

*People* 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.

#### A Reading from the Letter of James (1:17-27)

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the

law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act-they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Reader The Word of the Lord. **People** Thanks be to God.

## The Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark. Mark (7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.'

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord. **People** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon** The Rev. Matt Holcombe

**Meditation** "Everything"

Sung by Amalia Dobbins

By Lauren Daigle, Jason Ingram and Paul Mabury

### The Nicene Creed

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 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.

# The Prayers of the People Form VI

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 392

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

*People* For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

*People* For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

**People** For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*People* For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Kym, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

*People* For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader And we pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

Leader Let us pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit: Ji-bril, Laura, Miles, Cheryl, Gael, Cindy, John,

Linda, James, Steve, Nancy, Tom J., Naomi, Rose, Katie, Roger, Hank, Gail, Kelsey, Leona, Bobbi S., Bob K., Tracy, Donald, Tristan, Keith, Kitty, Jan L, Kathy, Alice, Terry, Mary, Marge W.,

Andrew, Carol P., & Steve.

Let us pray for the deployed and those serving in the military: Garrett and Antoine. And we thank

God for the safe return of Zachariah.

Let us pray for those living in distress, conflicts, and disaster areas in our community, country, and

around the world.

Let us also pray for those who have died, especially Marilyn Fleischmann (mother of Craig Fleischmann) and Lisa Jordan. May we remember with thanksgiving those we no longer see and grant us the mercy and grace to weep with those who weep and comfort those who mourn. + With grateful and thankful hearts, may we recognize and celebrate the birthdays in our parish community this week: David D., Lindsay, Justin, Marne, James, Ryan, Terry M., Chase, and Jan W. We also give thanks for the anniversaries this week of: Rev. Matt & Alicia Holcombe, Pat & Pete Wilson, Carol & James Pierce, and Rev. Judi & Rod Sato.

The Altar flowers have been given to the Glory of God in celebration of the birthday of Marne Deverell by the Deverell family.

#### The Confession

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 360

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.** 

#### The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

(You are encouraged to use your cell phone to exchange the peace via text message)

#### Announcements

# Digital Offering

(To make a one-time contribution to St. Michael's or to pay your pledge online;)

- 1. Using your text message on your smart phone, text the word GIVE to 719-223-3446.
- 2. Then click on the secure link sent to you via text message to make a contribution.

# The Doxology, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Hymn #380, v. 3

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.

## The Great Thanksgiving Prayer B

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 367

Celebrant All things come of thee O Lord.

**People** And of thine own have we given thee.

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is a right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

(An appropriate Proper Preface is offered here and the service continues as follows.)

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

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.

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,

People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

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 all of 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 for ever. **Amen.** 

Celebrant

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

### The Lord's Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 364

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.

# Breaking of the Bread

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 364

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is 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, feed

on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

# **Communion Hymns:**

## "As we gather at your table"

- 1. As we gather at your Table, as we listen to your Word, help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred. Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own; teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's vict'ry known.
- 2. Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life; send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife. Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave; may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

3. Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that Feast where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least. There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy, as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

# "Let all mortal flesh keep silence"

- 1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.
- 2. King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords in human vesture, in the Body and the Blood he will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.

Hymn #324

- 3. Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way, as the Light of Light descendeth from the realms of endless day, that the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.
- 4. At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim with sleepless eye veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, "Alleluia, alleluia!
  Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

#### "Taste and See"

Taste and see. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

O taste and see. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Taste and see. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

O taste and see. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

### Post Communion Prayer

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

and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 365

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.

### Final Blessing

#### **Closing Hymn** "Praise to the living God!"

Hymn #372

- 1. Praise to the living God!
  All praised be his Name
  who was, and is, and is to be
  for ay the same.
  The one eternal God
  ere aught that now appears:
  the first, the last, beyond all thought
  his timeless years!
- Formless, all lovely forms declare his loveliness; holy, no holiness of earth can his express.
   Lo, he is Lord of all.
   Creation speaks his praise, and everywhere above, below, his will obeys.

- 3. His Spirit floweth free, high surging where it will: in prophet's word he spoke of old; he speaketh still. Established is his law, and changeless it shall stand, deep writ upon the human heart, on sea, on land.
- Eternal life hath he implanted in the soul; his love shall be our strength and stay while ages roll.
   Praise to the living God!
   All praisèd be his Name who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

#### Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### **Postlude** "The Solid Rock"

Craig Phillips

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