

# The Eight Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2024

THE HOLY EUCHARIST (RITE II)

10:00 am



THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (EPISCOPAL)

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# The Word of God

## The Prelude

*Sarabande*

Wilbur Held

*Please stand as you are able as the bell is rung.*

## The Opening Hymn 492 Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

*Finnian*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

## 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.**

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## The Lessons

### A reading from the Prophet Amos (7:7-15)

This is what the Lord God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

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

Psalm 85

Melita

1 LORD, you have lav-ished on your land a - maz-ing bless-ings  
2 LORD, bring us back to grace a - gain; blot out your an - ger  
3 To all his saints, the LORD speaks peace; his faith-ful love and  
4 Then love will meet with faith - ful - ness; God's right-eous-ness and

from your hand, re - stored us from cap - tiv - i - ty  
at our sin. Re - vive us, LORD, that we may raise  
care in - crease. He shares his grace with o - pen hand  
peace will kiss. As right - eous-ness smiles down from heaven,

and par-doned our in - iq - ui - ty. In grace you caused  
our thank - ful hymns and psalms of praise. In mer - cy, LORD,  
to spread his glo - ry through our land. Sal - va - tion from  
great har - vests to our land are given. With God all right -

your wrath to turn; you did not let your an - ger burn.  
your peo - ple bless with sav - ing love and faith - ful - ness.  
the LORD is near to all who trust the LORD in fear.  
eous - ness a - bides; his truth and jus - tice are our guides.

Chord symbols: Dsus, D, G, G7/B, C, A7/C#, B7/D#, Em, B, Em, C7, F, D7, G, C, G7, C

### **A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians (1:3-14)**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able for the sequence hymn and gospel.*

### **The Sequence Hymn 591 O God of earth and altar**

*King's Lynn*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People*

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

### **Mark 6:14-29**

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head

on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

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

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Patrick C. Ward

*Please stand as you are able for the creed; you may sit, stand or kneel for the prayers  
as your personal piety guides you.*

## **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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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**

Loving God, in faith we pray: For reconciliation between the violated and the violent,  
**That we may live in your peace.**

For generosity between rich and poor people everywhere,  
**That we may share in the abundance of your creation.**

For the growth of love between broken peoples and nations, remembering especially the people of Israel and Gaza, Russia and Ukraine, Haiti and the Sudan.  
**That we may shape our common life as your kingdom.**

For mutual respect between immigrants and insiders,  
**That we may welcome your image in all who come to us.**

For protection for the weak and humility for the strong,  
**That we may serve others as you serve us in Christ.**

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Churches of the Mystic Valley Deanery: St. Luke's Church/Iglesia de San Lucas, Chelsea; Grace Church Federated, East Boston; South Sudanese Congregation Hispanic Ministries; and the Creation Care Justice Network  
**That we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.**

Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.  
**That we may care creatively for its resources.**

We pray for our Children's ministries team and our summer Soar & Explore ministry, for children and grandchildren and their teachers and mentors.  
**That your love be made known in our works and days.**

We pray for those who have asked for our prayers: Elizabeth Beattie, Robert Blanchet, Terese Brown, Carolyn Lawrence, Burl Newton, Jennifer Peters, Joan Payne, Joan Proctor, Henry Shepherd, Barbara and Philip Sousa, Linda Staab, Brant, Carole, David, Kathy, Lauren, Maggie, Marcos, Pat. We remember all we name before you now. (Pause). God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.  
**May they know the power of your healing love.**

We remember those who have died, especially Katie Smith whose funeral took place this week and for those who we name before you now. (Pause). We remember with thanksgiving all who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone.  
**Into your hands we commend them.**

We pray for ourselves and our ministries. (Pause). Risen Christ, open our hearts to your grace and your truth.  
**May we walk in newness of life.**

### **The Concluding Collect**

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Confession

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept. You may remain standing or kneel.*

**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.

*People* **Amen.**

## The Peace

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

## The Greeting and Announcements

### The Holy Communion

#### The Offertory

#### *Canticle of the Turning*

*Star of the County Down*  
arr. J. Fergusen

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great,  
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn,  
so from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?

#### *Refrain*

*My heart shall sing of the day you bring, let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!*

Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,  
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn  
you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*

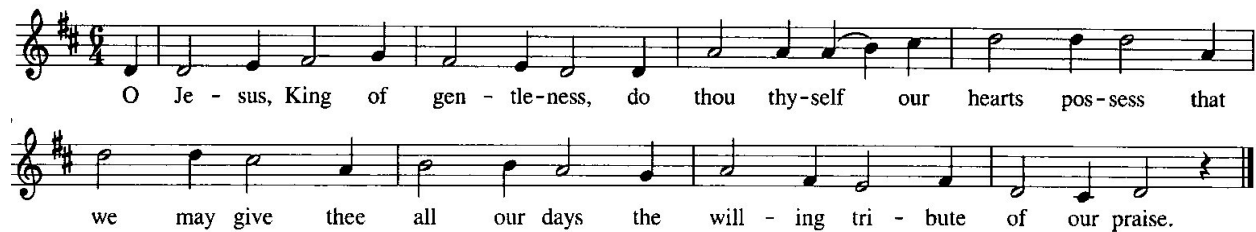
From the halls of power to the fortress tower, not a stone will be left on stone.  
Let the king beware for your justice tears every tyrant from his throne.  
The hungry poor shall weep no more for the food they can never earn;  
there are tables spread, every mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*

Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast.  
God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp.  
This saving word that our forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound,  
till the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around. *Refrain*

*As the offering is presented, please stand as you are able.*

### Hymn 193 O Jesus, King of gentleness

*Puer nobis*



O Je - sus, King of gen - tle-ness, do thou thy-self our hearts pos - sess that  
we may give thee all our days the will - ing tri - bute of our praise.

*Celebrant* All things come of thee, O Lord.  
*People* **And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

### The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer 3

*(Adapted from The Church in Ireland)*

*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 our thanks and praise.**

God of all creation, we praise you for your goodness and your love. When we turned away you did not reject us. You came to meet us in your Christ, welcomed us as your children and prepared a table where we might feast with you. In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened wide his arms upon the cross and, with love stronger than death, he made the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

*You may remain standing, kneel or sit for the remainder of the Eucharistic prayer as your personal piety guides you.*



Lord Jesus Christ, our redeemer, on the night before you died you came to table with your friends. Taking bread, you gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them saying, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

**Lord Jesus, we bless you: you are the bread of life.**

At the end of supper you 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; do this in remembrance of me."

**Lord Jesus, we bless you: you are the true vine.**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ:

**Dying, you destroyed our death, rising, you restored our life; Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Holy Spirit, giver of life, come upon us now; may this bread and wine be to us the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us, who know our need of grace, one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Blessed Trinity: with your whole Church throughout the world, we offer you this sacrifice of thanks and praise and lift our voice to join the song of heaven, forever praising you and singing:

**Sanctus 127**

Hampton

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow - er and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanks be to you, our God, for your gift beyond words.  
**Amen. Amen. 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

WLP 878 Whoever comes to me (repeat three times)

Carl Haywood

Who-ev - er comes to me shall not hun - ger and  
who-ev - er be - lieves in me shall nev - er thirst.

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.  
**We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died and rose for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

**Holy Jesus, Redeemer of the World, we believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of this altar. Even while some of us are unable to receive you in the elements of bread and wine, we invite you to enter our hearts and be our companion along the way. Awaiting in hope, we know that you are present in every moment of our lives and will never leave us comfortless. For all good things come from you O Lord, and from that goodness, lead us to the love of others. For you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.**

*All are welcome to receive the bread and/ or the wine. You may stand or kneel to receive. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are also available; simply make your needs known to the person serving you. If you wish a blessing instead of the elements, cross your arms over your chest as the priest approaches you.*

## **The Communion Hymns**

**Hymn 321 My God, thy table now is spread**

*Rockingham*

**Hymn 671 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound**

*New Britain*

## **The Prayer after Communion**

**God of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Sending** *(when lay eucharistic visitors are scheduled to make home or hospital visits)*

**Celebrant** In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**People** **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread and the one cup.**

## **The Blessing**

Go forth into the world in peace. Hold fast to that which is good. Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint-hearted. Support the weak. Help those in need. Comfort the afflicted. Honor everyone. Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. And may God's blessing be upon you this day and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## **The Closing Hymn 615 "Thy kingdom come!", on bended knee**

*St. Flavian*

## **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Postlude**

*Chant*

Wilbur Held

*Celebrant and Preacher*

The Rev. Patrick C. Ward

*Minister of Music*

Joan Kirchner

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