

# THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 10:00 AM

**ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

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## THE WORD OF GOD

PROCESSION HYMN

To God Be The Glory, Great Things He Has Done

1. To God be the glo - ry, great things he hath done!  
2. O per - fect re - demp-tion, the pur-chase of blood,  
3. Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
to ev - ery be - liev - er the prom - ise of God;  
and great our re - joic - ing thru Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone-ment for sin,  
the vil - est of-fend - er who tru - ly be - lieves,  
but pur - er, and high - er, and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
that mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.  
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

*Refrain*

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the peo - ple re - joice!

O come to the Fa - ther thru Je - sus the Son,

and give him the glo - ry, great things he hath done!

WORDS: Fanny J. Crosby, 1875 TO GOD BE THE GLORY

MUSIC: William H. Doane, 1875 11 11.11 11 with Refrain

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#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### 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.





Glo - ry to God in the high - est! Peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - migh - ty God and - Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, -

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

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lam of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:

re - ceive our prayer For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, for you a -

lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, - Je - sus - Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of

God - the Fa - ther. A - men.

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## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE LESSONS

### FIRST READING

Amos 8:4-7

*The people sit.*

*Reader* A Reading from the Prophet Amos.

Hear this, you that trample on the needy,  
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,  
saying, "When will the new moon be over  
so that we may sell grain;  
and the sabbath,  
so that we may offer wheat for sale?  
We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,  
and practice deceit with false balances,  
buying the poor for silver  
and the needy for a pair of sandals,  
and selling the sweepings of the wheat."  
The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.  
mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### THE PSALM

Psalm 113

*Laudate, pueri*

- <sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD; \*  
praise the Name of the LORD.
- <sup>2</sup> Let the Name of the LORD be blessed, \*  
from this time forth for evermore.
- <sup>3</sup> From the rising of the sun to its going down \*  
let the Name of the LORD be praised.
- <sup>4</sup> The LORD is high above all nations, \*  
and his glory above the heavens.
- <sup>5</sup> Who is like the LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high \*  
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?
- <sup>6</sup> He takes up the weak out of the dust \*  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.
- <sup>7</sup> He sets them with the princes, \*  
with the princes of his people.
- <sup>8</sup> He makes the woman of a childless house \*  
to be a joyful mother of children.

*Remain seated*

## SECOND LESSON

1 Timothy 2:1-7

*Reader* A Reading from the first letter to Timothy.

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For

there is one God;  
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,  
Christ Jesus, himself human,  
who gave himself a ransom for all

~ this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The people stand*

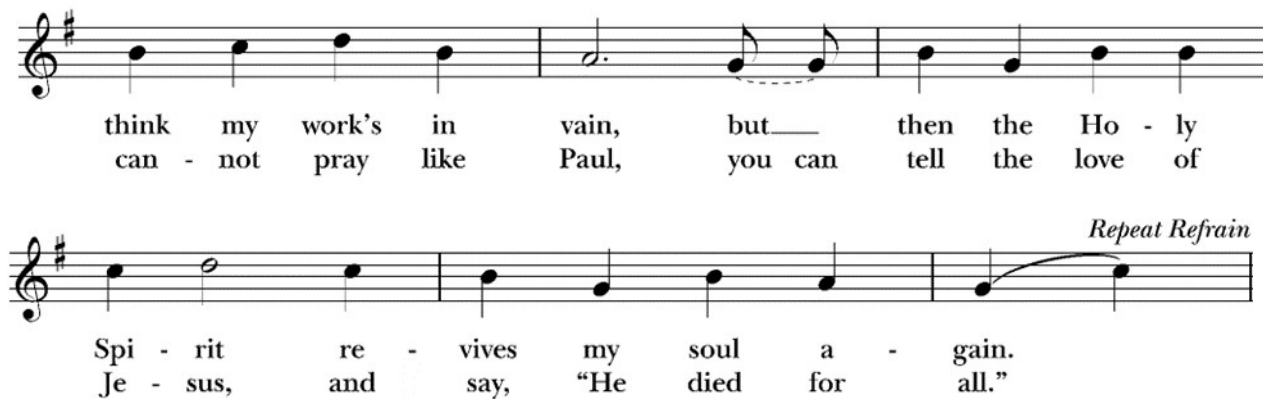
### GRADUAL HYMN

Sometimes I feel discouraged

*Balm in Gilead*

*Refrain*

There is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to make the wound - ed  
whole, there is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to  
heal the sin - sick soul. 1 soul. 2 soul.  
1 Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged, and  
2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you



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## THE GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-13

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to You, Lord Christ.

## THE SERMON

Father Ricardo Sheppard

## THE NICENE CREED

*The people stand.*

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

*All remain standing.*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence.*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Jeff our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;  
*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.  
*Silence. The People may add their own petitions*



We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

*And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

*Who put their trust in you.*

*Celebrant* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept. The people deep bow or kneel.*

*Celebrant and People*

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

in your compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown,

things done and left undone;

and so uphold us by your Spirit

that we may live and serve you in newness of life,

to the honor and glory of your Name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The celebrant stands and says*

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

*All stand.*

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

*People* And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*The Celebrant says*

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let  
 2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and  
 \*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's  
 truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from  
 him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!  
 shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.  
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts(1674-1748), para. Of Psalm 117. St. 3 Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

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## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING SURSUM CORDA

## Eucharistic Prayer A

*Celebrant* *People*  
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant* *People*  
 Lift up your hearts. 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.

*Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

SANCTUS

Owen Alstott

Ho - ly, ho - ly. - ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

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might. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - -

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ry. Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - - est.

Bless'd is he who comes in the name - of the Lord. Ho -

san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - - est.

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*The People stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

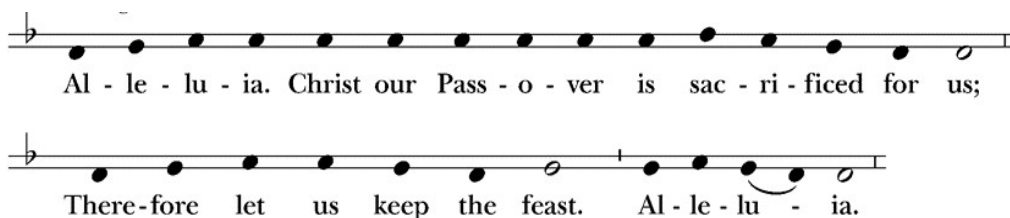
*People and Celebrant*

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,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*A period of silence is kept*





*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

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.

*The Bread is given to communicants with these words:*

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

It Is Well With My Soul

Spafford/Bliss

1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my  
2. Though sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should  
3. My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous  
4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be

1. way, When sor - rows like sea - bil - lows roll;  
2. come, Let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol,  
3. thought— My sin— not in part, but the whole—  
4. sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

1. What - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to  
2. That Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -  
3. Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no  
4. The trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de -

1. say, It is well, it is well with my soul.  
2. tate, And has shed His own blood for my soul.  
3. more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
4. scend, "E - ven so"— it is well with my soul.



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## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God,  
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
 of the most precious Body and Blood  
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
 that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
 And now, Father, send us out  
 to do the work you have given us to do,  
 to love and serve you  
 as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## BLESSING

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

## DISMISSAL

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

*People* Thanks be to God.

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

### O Jesus, I Have Promised

*Nyland*



1 O Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end:  
2 O let me hear thee speak-ing in ac - cents clear and still,  
3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low thee,  
be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;  
a - bove the storms of pas-sion, the mur-murs of self - will;  
that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;  
I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,  
O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;  
nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.  
O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard-ian of my soul.  
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Words: John Ernest bode (1816-1874). Alt.

Music: *Nyland*, Finnish folk melody; adapt. David Evans, (1874-1948).

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*Our worship has concluded. Your Service Begins.*

Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God  
by Bev Wille in memory of her daughter Melanie's passing.

## TODAY WE WELCOME AS OUR GUEST PREACHER, FATHER RICARDO SHEPPARD

The Reverend Fr. Ricardo Sheppard was born in Trinidad and Tobago and immigrated with his parents to the United States in 1975 at the age of 9.

Rev. Sheppard enlisted in the United States Marine Corps directly out of high school and served with distinction until he was honorably discharged in 1993, after serving 9 1/2 years. He has served as the Associate Minister for Youth and Outreach at the Hebron Baptist Church in Brooklyn before becoming a part of the Episcopal Church. He earned his Bachelors of Arts degree with a concentration in Social Science from the College of New Rochelle, a Masters of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary and a Diploma in Anglican Studies from the University of the South, School of Theology in Sewanee, TN. Rev. Sheppard served as the Priest-in-Charge at Saint Alban's Episcopal Church in New Brunswick, NJ from September of 2016 to September 2019, and is currently serving as the Rector of The Episcopal Church of the Atonement, Washington, D.C. Rev. Sheppard is enthusiastic and passionate about sharing the love and hope of God to the greatest and the least in the kingdom.



### ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

#### Monday, September 19- Friday, September 23

8:00 AM—Morning Prayer

#### Wednesday, September 21

6:00 PM Vestry Meeting

#### Sunday, September 25

8:00 AM Morning Prayer

8:30 AM Bible Study (Back to Basics)

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist

(In-Person and Livestreamed)

### PRAYERS

**Parishioner Cycle of prayer:** Richard & Dianne Sharratt

**Ministry Rotation of Prayer:** Music Scholars

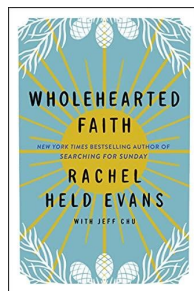
**Happy Birthday:** Fiona Walls, Judy Fernhaber

**For those who are sick:** Kitty, Jerry, Jack, Gary, Vickie, Charlie, Cynthia, Kristin, Steve, Deborah, Russell, Obi, Young, Jennifer, Gary, Bishop Whitmore, Lisa, Bill, Matt, Scott, Bev, John, Sally, Nancy

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK STUDY ON ZOOM

We will be starting a Tuesday night Book Study again this Fall. The book we will be reading and discussing is "Wholehearted Faith" by Rachel Held Evans and Jeff Chu. This book was assembled from Rachel's writings after her tragic death in 2019. A more complete description will be included in the upcoming September Newsletter, plus the dates of the Tuesday night meetings on Zoom. Stay tuned for more information!



### BIBLE STUDY

We have started a Back-to-Basics Bible Study on Sunday Mornings and are just one week into it. Some topics we will cover include: the structure of the Bible, how to look things up in the Bible, who wrote the Bible, what does "Canonical" mean, the Patriarchs and Matriarchs, the Prophets, the Law, the writings, Critical Biblical History, and necessary stories in the Bible (hint: look at Children's Bibles.) Seasoned Christians and Brand-New Christians or Faith Seekers should get something out of the Back-to-Basics course. The Study meets Sunday Morning at 8:30 AM. Please come any time!