

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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THE WORD OF GOD

PROCESSION HYMN

O Worship The King

Hanover

Women

O wor-ship the King all glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful-ly sing His
O tell of His might and sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose
Your boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the air, it
Frail chil-dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail, in You do we trust, nor
O mea-sure-less Might, un - change - a - ble Love, whom an - gels de - light to

Men

8

Wi.

pow - er and His love: our shield and de - fen - der, the an - cient of
can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der-clouds
shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the
find You to fail. Your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the
wor - ship a - bove! Your ran - somed cre - a - tion, with glo - ry a -

M.

13

Wi.

Days, pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - id with praise.
form, and dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
plain, and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
end, our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!
blaze, in true ad - o - ra - tion shall sing to Your praise!

M.

Words Robert Grant (1779-1838)

Music: *Hanover*, att. to William Croft (1678-1727) arr. By Shawn Werner

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OPENING ACLAMATION

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, and peace to his peo-ple on
earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y 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, Lamb 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, 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.

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

Jonah 3:10-4:11

The people sit.

Reader A Reading from the Prophet Jonah.

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Remain seated

- ¹ I will exalt you, O God my King, *
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- ² Every day will I bless you *
and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- ³ Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
there is no end to his greatness.
- ⁴ One generation shall praise your works to another *
and shall declare your power.
- ⁵ I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
and all your marvelous works.
- ⁶ They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, *
and I will tell of your greatness.
- ⁷ They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; *
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- ⁸ The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 1:21-30

Reader A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well~ since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sung first by the Choir, then by All.

Al - le-lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le-lu - ia. Al-le-lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

8

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Louise Austin

THE NICENE CREED

All 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.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a 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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel or deep bow. Silence may be kept.

Minister 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.

The celebrant alone 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*

OFFERTORY HYMN

Just As I Am, Without One Plea

1. Just as I am, with - out one plea, But
 2. Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With
 3. Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight
 4. Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive; Wilt
 5. Just as I am, thy love un - known Has
 6. Just as I am, of thy great love The

1. that thy blood was shed for me,
 2. ma - ny-a con - flict, ma - ny-a doubt;
 3. rich - es, heal - ing of the mind,
 4. wel - come, par - don, cleanse, re - lieve,
 5. bro - ken ev - ery bar - rier down;
 6. breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,

1. And that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O
 2. Fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out, O
 3. Yea, all I need in thee to find, O
 4. Be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve, O
 5. Now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone, O
 6. Here for a sea - son, then a - bove: O

Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Words Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)

Music: William B. Bradbury (1816-1868)

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SURSUM CORDA

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, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by the water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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

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

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

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."

Celebrant

There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People

We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -

rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Peter, 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 for ever.

Celebrant

People

A-men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

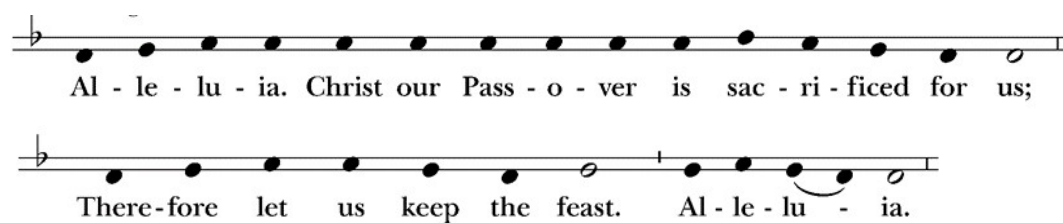
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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 and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

COMMUNION HYMN

Shepherd Of Souls, Refresh And Bless

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
 2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
 3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
 4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
 word of grace, in strength of which we
 then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with
 and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
 trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
 us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
 heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

Words: Harriet Auber (1773-1862), alt.

Music: *Mooz Zur*, Hebrew melody; adapt Eric Werner (1901-1988)

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After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

BLESSING

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon 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

Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven

Lauda anima

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 2/4. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each corresponding to a staff. The first system has four lines of lyrics, the second and third systems have four lines each, and the fourth system has four lines. The lyrics are in a traditional hymn style, with some lines being longer than others to fit the melody. The final line of the fourth system ends with a double bar line.

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To his
2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor To his
3. Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; Well our
4. An - gels, help us to a - dore him; You be -

1. feet thy trib - ute bring; Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for -
2. chil - dren in dis - tress; Praise him still the same as
3. fee - ble frame he knows; In his hands he gen - tly
4. hold him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be -

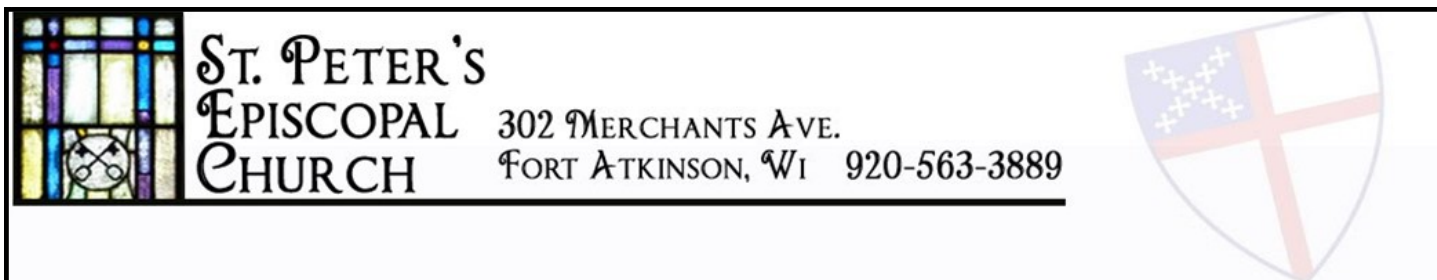
1. giv - en, Ev - er - more his prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia!
2. ev - er, Slow to chide and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!
3. bears us, Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!
4. fore him, In his ho - ly dwell - ing place. Al - le - lu - ia!

1. Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
2. Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
4. Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Text: 8 7 8 7 8 7; based on Psalm 103; Henry F. Lyle, 1793-1847, alt. Music: John Goss, 1800-1880.

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Our worship has concluded. Your Service Begins.



ACTIVITIES

Monday–Friday September 25-29

8:00 AM Morning Prayer

Wednesday, September 27

12:00 PM Midweek Mass
 12:30 PM Men's Lunch Group
 5:30 PM Supper
 6:00 PM Study

Sunday, October 1

8:00 AM Morning Prayer
 8:30 AM Bible Study
 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist
 11:10 AM **Coffer Hour Host:**

PRAYERS

Parishioner Cycle of Prayer: Steve and Katie Mumm, Eddie and Benny

Ministry Rotation Of Prayer: Vestry

Happy Birthday: Elliott Walls, Judy Fernhaber

For those who are sick: Jerry, Jack, Vickie, Charlie, Cynthia, Kristin, Steve, Deborah, Obi, Young, Jennifer, Gary, Lisa, Bill, Matt, Scott, Bev, John, Sally, Nancy, Cheri, Jory, Joan, Dedi, Melody, David, Don, Georgia, Nicole, Mary, Joyce, Jim, Jessica, Claudine, Elsie, Wendell.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH POTLUCK

There will be a Parish Potluck on October 8 after Mass, to celebrate a newly cleaned and organized Kitchen.

HEALTH MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENT

On October 1 the Health Ministry Committee will be meeting following Mass. If you would like to get involved, please plan to attend this meeting in the undercroft.

MEN'S LUNCHEON GROUP

All men in the parish are invited to lunch after the Noon Mass on Wednesdays. After Mass, the men will choose a restaurant and go to eat there. Please join as you can!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER AND STUDY

Our weekly supper and book study has been a delightful time of fellowship, fun and learning. We meet every Wednesday at 5:30 PM for a light dinner, then at 6:00, move into our study of the book: *The Way of Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices*. This supper and study is open to anyone/anytime, even if you only want to participate in just the meal, or just the study, you are welcome. Come check it out if you haven't already!