

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 2, 2018, 10:00 a.m.



Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.

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The Word of God

Prelude: Great is Thy Faithfulness

William M. Runyan

Please STAND as able, and join in singing,
The Processional Hymn

Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart

Hymn #556 vv 1-3

The Opening Acclamation

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

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

The Collect for Purity

All **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.**

A † appears in the margin where you may wish to make the sign of the cross over your body. Making the sign of the cross is a choice left to each worshipper. It is simply a way to engage your entire body (not just your speech and mind) in worship, and physically to signify embracing the blessing of God.

The 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.**

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

1st Reader A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

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.

1st Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant: The Very Rev Paula Vukmanic
Preacher/Gospeller: The Rev Laurel Coote
Deacon: The Rev. Peter Huang

Please remain seated, and join in singing,
The Response

Psalm 15

ST AGNES

Lord, who may dwell with - in your house
Who have no no guile wrong, up - on their tongues
Who do no wrong, but keep their word

5 or on your ho - ly hill? Those who do
nor harm seek their neigh - bor's life, but hon - or
5 and seek no bribe or gain; all those who

9 good and speak the truth, whose lives are blame - less still;
those who fear the Lord and turn a - way from strife;
9 do such things shall live and safe from harm re - main.

Paraphrase of Psalm 15 copyright 1986 by Christopher L Webber. Used by permission. ST AGNES John Bacchus Dykes, 1866

The Second Lesson—James 1:17-27

2nd Reader A Reading from the Letter of James.

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.

2nd Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please STAND, as able, and join in singing,

The Gospel Procession

Speak, O Lord (first verse)

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Speak, O Lord, as we come to you, to re-ceive the food of your Ho-ly Word.
Speak, O Lord, and re-new our minds; help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fas-hion us in your like-ness; that the
Truths un-changed from the dawn of time, that will ech-o down through e-ter-ni-ty. And by
light of Christ might be seen to-day in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
grace we'll stand on your pro-mis-es; and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, and ful-fill in us all your pur-po-ses for your glo-ry.
Speak, O Lord, 'til your church is built and the earth is filled with your glo-ry.

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The Holy Gospel—Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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

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."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please join in singing the second verse of 'Speak, O Lord'.

Please remain seated for

† The Sermon

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

The Rev. Laurel Coote

Please STAND as able, and join in saying,

The Nicene Creed

All 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

The People join in reading the words in bold.

Sustaining God, create in us hearts open to the transforming power of your love.

You invite us to gather the world's needs into our hearts and to trust your compassionate Presence.

For the people of God throughout the world, for those in civil and religious leadership, and for us gathered as your church family. God of wisdom, **let us fulfil your vision entrusted to us.**

For goodwill among nations, for the well-being of all people, and for boldness in confronting issues of inequality, hatred, greed, violence, and prejudice. God of justice, **let us be an authentic light in our world.**

For all who serve in our civil services, especially first responders, and in the armed and foreign services, and their families, especially Drew Deley, Kelly Hall, Mark Kappelmann, TJ Malzahn, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve. God of peace, **let us be strong to help and serve.**

For the poor, the sick, the hungry, the homeless, the oppressed, those in prison or afraid. Let us pray for all facing challenges, especially: Andrea, Susie Allen, Stephanie Bezner, Howard Dale, James Eakins, Ceri Falk, Rob Fitting, Amalia Fraker, Hector Gutierrez, Mary Louise Gordon, Mama Hill, Nancy Jacobsmeyer, Jake Madrid, Marjorie Morris, Munoz Family, Karen Pearson, James and Reiko, Jerry Rosenthal, Anne Shepherd, Steve Smith and Phyllis Thomas, and all those we name to you now... *(please add your own prayers silently or out loud).*

God of all healing, **let us become whole and holy.**

For all those killed or injured from acts of terrorism, violence and abuse of any kind in our country and around the world, from the consequences of natural disasters, for those who grieve from tragic loss, and for prayers for a healing resolution of the crisis on our border.

God of protecting love and strength, **let us be instruments of your peace and protection.**

For all who anticipate birthdays, anniversaries, and joyful events...

(please add your own prayers silently or out loud).

God of all we have, **let us be grateful for moments of blessing.**

For those we love but see no longer, for all those who have died... *(please add your own prayers silently or out loud).*

God of comfort and grace, **let us live for you all the days of our lives.**

Let us pray together:

Watch over your children, O God, as our days increase; bless and guide us wherever we may be. Strengthen us when we stand; comfort us when discouraged or sorrowful; raise us up if we fall; and in our hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide in us all the days of our lives. Amen.

(Collect no. 51 from the Book of Common Prayer.)

The Confession of Sin

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

Please stand or kneel as able

All 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.**

Please stand as able for

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Seek Ye First

Karen Lafferty

Shelly Reece and Jeannie Cobb, duet

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find. Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.

Allelu, alleluia!

Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

Offertory Hymn

Doxology

Hymn #380 v. 3

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise him, all crea-tures here be - low; Praise
him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fath - er, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Music after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?) Words by Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

The Offertory Prayers

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which the earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven and the Cup of Salvation.

People Blessed be God forever.

Celebrant Receive, O Lord, these gifts presented by your holy people for the work of your holy Church.

People Blessed be God forever.

Please remain standing for,
The Great Thanksgiving

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 God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues. The People read the parts in bold.

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; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing,

Sanctus Holy, Holy LAND OF REST

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are
6 full of your glo-ry, Ho-san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes, in the name of the
12 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

LAND OF REST American Folk Tune, Arrangement by Annabel Buchanan (1889-1983)Worship, Love , & Praise #859

All stand or kneel as the Celebrant continues. The People join in reading the text in bold.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.

You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves.

We would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you.

You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

"Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you."

"Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it,

"Do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your Creation this bread and this wine.
† By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring all of us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Blessed Francis and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

Celebrant 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

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

Fraction Anthem

Here, O My Lord

MORECAMBE

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face; here would I touch and handle things un-seen;
here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter-nal grace, and all my wea-ri-ness up - on thee lean.

Words by Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889 MORECAMBE by Frederick Cook Atkinson, 1870

The Communion of the People

All are welcome at the Lord's table. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Kneeling or standing, each person receives the Bread in the palm of the right hand, eats, and then guides the cup for a sip of the Wine. If you do not wish to receive or are not yet baptized, we encourage you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply fold your hands across your chest when you come forward. The clergy will carry Communion to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward. Please notify an usher if you wish to be served in your seat.*

If you have come with a particular prayer concern today, after receiving Communion you may come to the Nason Prayer Chapel to the right of the altar rail where someone will be available to pray with you.

*Gluten-free Communion wafers are now carried alongside regular wafers at Holy Communion. If you require one of these, simply ask at the Altar rail.

Communion Music

Panis angelicus

Cesar Franck

Shelly Reece, solo

Heavenly bread that becomes the bread for all; the heavenly bread gives an end to earthly forms. O marvelous and wondrous sacrament!

A poor man, a slave, and a humble one all receive the Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All God of all Life, we have seen with our own eyes and touched with our own hands the Bread of Life, this precious gift of your Son Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you, in love for one another, and in love for all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending Forth of the Lay Eucharistic Minister

Celebrant We send you out to share this Holy Communion with our brother/sister _____.

People May you be guided by the Holy Spirit as you share this sacrament of Christ's presence.

Celebrant May those who share in this Communion be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Celebrant Let us pray together our Mission Statement:

All We welcome everyone to worship God together, to be transformed by the Holy Spirit and each other, and to share the light of Christ in the world. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant May the peace of Christ 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 among you, and remain with you always. Amen.



Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

The Recessional Hymn

Take My Life, and Let It Be

HOLLINGSIDE

Take my life, and let it be con-se-crat-ed, Lord, to thee; take my mo-ments and my days,
Take my voice, and let me sing al-ways, on-ly for my King. Take my lips, and let them be
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long-er mine. Take my heart, it is thine own;
let them flow in cease-less praise. Take my hands, and let them move at the im-pulse of thy love;
filled with mes-sa-ges from thee. Take my sil-ver and my gold, not a mite would I with-hold;
it shall be thy roy-al throne. Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its trea-sure store.
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy-al throne.
take my in-tel-lect, and use ev-'ry power as thou shalt choose.
Take my-self and I will be ev-er, on-ly, all for thee.

Words by Frances Havergal (1836-1879) Music HOLLINGSIDE by John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

The Sending Forth

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

Postlude: Allegro

Baldassare Galuppi