

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 1, 2019, 10:00 a.m.



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

The flowers on the altar are given by Joyce & Chris Alley to the Glory of God, in thanksgiving for our family, and in memory of Noreen & Brian Harrison

The Word of God

Prelude: Abide with Me

(William H. Monk)

Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

The Processional Hymn

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Hymn #376

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 Jeremiah 2:4-13

1st Reader A Reading from the Book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the LORD:

What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?

They did not say, "Where is the LORD who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?"

I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things.

But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination.

The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal,

and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the LORD, and I accuse your children's children.

Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing.

Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods?

But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit.

Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate,

says the LORD,

for my people have committed two evils:

they have forsaken me,

the fountain of living water,

and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns

that can hold no water.

1st Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant: The Rev. Peter Huang

Deacon: The Rev. Jude Lyons

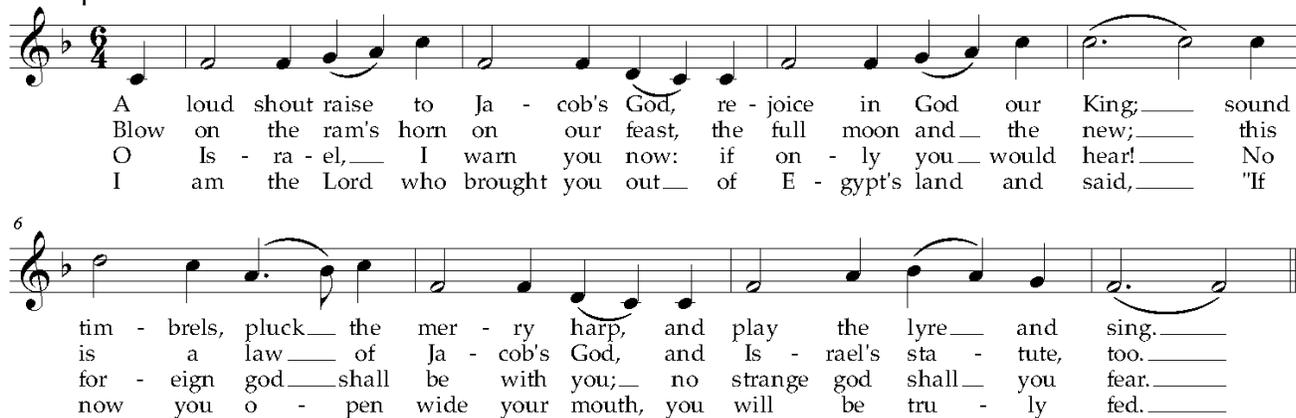
Preacher: The Very Rev. PaulaVukmanic

Please remain seated, and join in singing,

The Response

Psalm 81

LAND OF REST



A loud shout raise to Ja - cob's God, re - joice in God our King; sound
 Blow on the ram's horn on our feast, the full moon and the new; this
 O Is - ra - el, I warn you now: if on - ly you would hear! No
 I am the Lord who brought you out of E - gypt's land and said, "If
 tim - brels, pluck the mer - ry harp, and play the lyre and sing.
 is a law of Ja - cob's God, and Is - rael's sta - tute, too.
 for - eign god shall be with you; no strange god shall you fear.
 now you o - pen wide your mouth, you will be tru - ly fed."

Paraphrase of Psalm 81 by Christopher Webber © 1986. Used by permission. LAND OF REST American Folk Melody

The Second Lesson Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

2nd Reader A Reading from Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able, and join in singing,

The Gospel Procession

Honduras Alleluia

Iona



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Sa - vior, let us hear your word.

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The Holy Gospel Luke 14:1, 7-14

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Deacon **The Gospel of the Lord.**

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please join again in singing the Alleluia.

Please remain seated for



The Sermon

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

The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic

Please STAND as able, and join in saying,

The Affirmation of Faith

**All You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.
You are our God. We worship you.**

(from the New Zealand Prayer Book)



The Prayers of the People

The People join in reading the words in bold.

Sustaining God, 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, Will Piepenbring, 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, Barbara, Stephanie Bezner, Howard Dale, Ceri Falk, Jill Lynch, Amalia Fraker, Mary Louise Gordon, Sally Hill, Jake Madrid, June Malone, Marjorie Morris, Bob Pilmer, Marylen Ruston, James and Reiko, Steve Smith, 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, from violence and abuses in our country and around the world, from the consequences of natural disasters, homelessness, unemployment and underemployment, and for those who struggle in fear and darkness.

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, especially those we name to you now...
(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.**

Celebrant Thank you, Gracious God, for always doing more than we could ask for or even imagine.
Help us be faithful to our calling.

People 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 Confession

(from the New Zealand Prayer Book)

Deacon We come seeking forgiveness for all we have failed to be, and do, as members of Christ's body.

Silence

Celebrant In God there is forgiveness. Let us pray:

Please stand or kneel as able

**All Loving and all-seeing God,
forgive us where we have failed to support one another
and to be what we claim to be.
Forgive us where we have failed to serve you;
and where our thoughts and actions have been
contrary to yours.
We ask your forgiveness.**

† Celebrant God loves you and forgives you; be at peace. **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 Music

Please STAND as able, and join in singing,

Offertory Hymn

Step By Step

Beaker

O God, you are my God, and I will ev-er praise you.— O God, you are my God, and
I will ev-er praise you.— I will seek you in the morn - ing,— I will learn to walk in your
ways,— and step by step you'll lead me, and I will fol-low you all of my days.

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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.

Creator God, it is our joy to give you thanks and praise, always and everywhere, for you are the source of all that is.

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, joining with Angels and Archangels and all creation, we lift our voices in an unending song:

San-to, san-to, san-to, mi cor - a - zon tea - do - ra! Mi cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - toe - res Se - ñor
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

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 Found in Worship, Love, and Praise #785

Please STAND or kneel, as you are able, or feel most comfortable. The People join in reading the text in bold.

Blessed are you, Gracious God, creator of all the universe and giver of life and author of our salvation history.

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. You blessed us with the sign and promise of the rainbow and led us through the desert into a land of promise.

But we have not always acknowledged your saving help, and have been blind at times to your image in one another and in ourselves.

You have always cared for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through our ancestors you called us into covenant with you. 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.

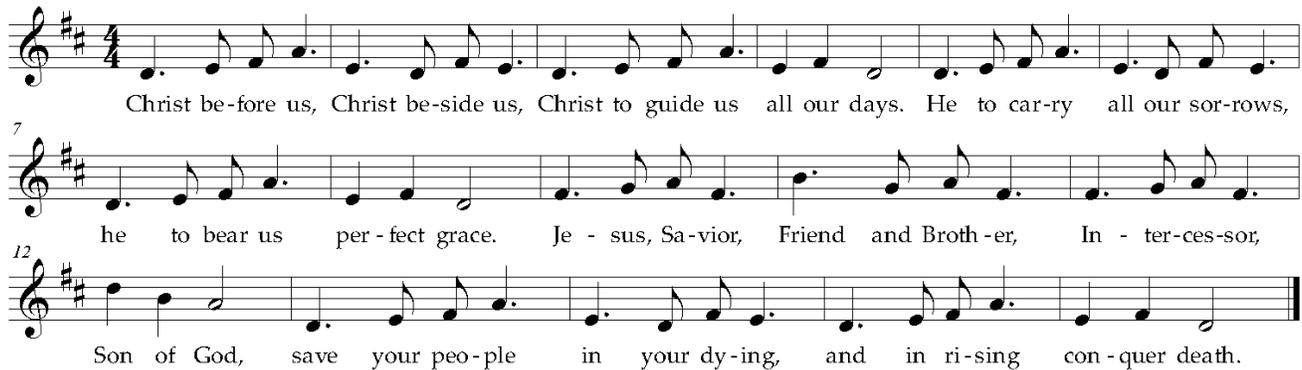
The Breaking of the Bread

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

Fraction Anthem

Christ Before Us

Janet Sullivan Whitaker



Christ be-fore us, Christ be-side us, Christ to guide us all our days. He to car-ry all our sor-rows,
he to bear us per-fect grace. Je - sus, Sa-vior, Friend and Broth -er, In - ter-ces-sor,
Son of God, save your peo-ple in your dy-ing, and in ri-sing con-quer death.

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The Communion of the People

All are invited to receive Holy Communion. 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, 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

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Craig Courtney

Suzanne Miller and Jeannie Cobb, duet

*Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart. Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

*Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise; thou mine inheritance, now and always.
Thou and thou only first in my heart. High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.*

*High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

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.

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 **Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing**

Hymn #344

The Sending Forth

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

People Thanks be to God!

Postlude: Toccata on "Amazing Grace"