# **Holy Eucharist**

# Rite II



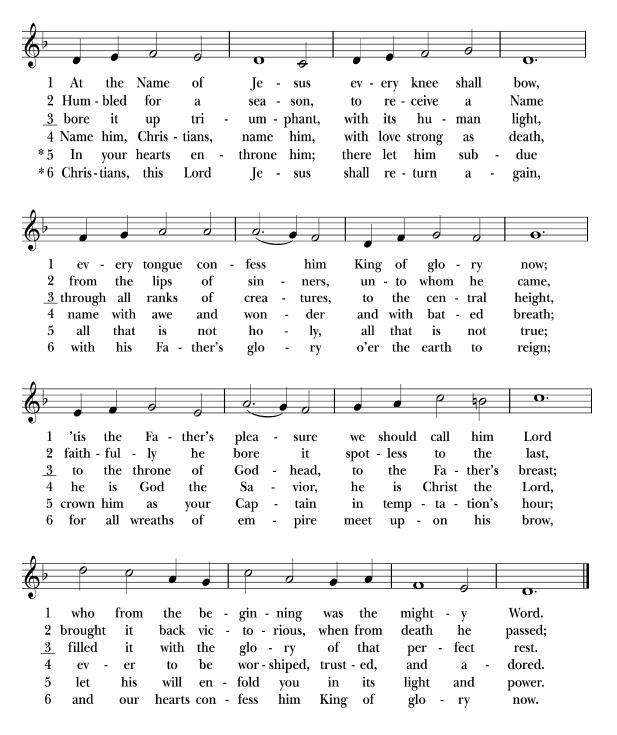
# Eighth Sunday after Pentecost The Rev. Rob Jerger, Celebrating The Rev. Deacon Sheila Thrash, Sermon August 3, 2025

The altar flowers are given by Jay & Kevin DeOrnellas in remembrance of their parents.

# The Word of God

# **Opening Hymn**

At the name of Jesus 435



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## The Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.* 

# The Collect of Purity

People

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 the Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria Hymnal S-280





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# The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

First Lesson Hosea 11:1-11

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. They shall go after the Lord, who roars like a lion; when he roars,

his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

After the reading, the lector says

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

#### Psalm 107:1-9, 43

People

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, \* and his mercy endures for ever.

- 2 Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim \* that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; \* from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
- 4 Some wandered in desert wastes; \* they found no way to a city where they might dwell.
- 5 They were hungry and thirsty; \* their spirits languished within them.
- 6 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, \* and he delivered them from their distress.
- 7 He put their feet on a straight path \* to go to a city where they might dwell.
- 8 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy \* and the wonders he does for his children.
- 9 For he satisfies the thirsty \* and fills the hungry with good things.
- 43 Whoever is wise will ponder these things, \* and consider well the mercies of the Lord.

#### **Second Lesson**

Colossians 3:1-11

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# **Sequence Hymn**

How wondrous and great 533 Vs. 1, Gospel, vs. 2



Words: Henry Ustick Onderdonk (1759-1858), alt.; para. The Song of the Redeemed. Music: Lyons, att. Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806).

Then, all standing, the Deacon or Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. *People Glory to you, Lord Christ.* 

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, `What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, `I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, `Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, `You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

After the Gospel, the Deacon or Celebrant says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Sermon

#### 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: 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.

## **Prayers of the People VI**

The Leader and People pray responsively

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 those 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 Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector, and Brian, our bishops, for our supply priests, and for all bishops and other ministers, For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special peeds and concerns of this congregation.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *Silence* 

Hear us, Lora;		
For your merc	y is great.	
We thank you,	Lord, for all the blessings of this life (including	g the birthdays of
[	] and the anniversaries of [	].)
Silence		

We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever. We pray for all who have died, [especially \_\_\_\_\_\_\_,] that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; *Who put their trust in you*.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept*.

Leader 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 concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Sunday, 8/3 Undesignated Offering to Discretionary Fund

9:30a Adult Lectionary Discussion

No Children's Sunday School until Sept

12:00p Lunch Serendipity Indoor Picinic

with St. Clare's Congregation in St. Francis Education Building

6:00p Yoga

Monday, 8/4 6:30p Book Club

Wednesday, 8/6 12:00p Morning Prayer Service

12:30p Bible Study

2:00p Grief Support Group

7:00p No Choir Practice until Sept

Thursday, 8/7 5:00p Handbell Practice

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday, 8/10 9:30a Adult Lectionary Discussion

No Children's Sunday School until Sept

12:00p Conversation Exploring Cultural Perspectives

6:00p Yoga

Wednesday, 8/13 12:00p Morning Prayer Service

12:30p Bible Study

2:00p Grief Support Group

7:00p No Choir Practice until Sept

Thursday, 8/14 5:00p Handbell Practice

Saturday, 8/16 6:00p Thrive Swim Party at Kraus/Cabell

**SAVE THE DATE** 

Monday, 8/18 6:30p Book Club

Tuesday, 8/19 11:30a Out-to-Lunch Bunch at Daniel Boone's

6:00p Vestry Meeting

Sunday, 8/24 2:00p Back-to-School Bowling Party

#### Prayer for a New Rector

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: look graciously on St. Francis and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for your ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Kids Prayer for St. Francis

Our Creator God in Heaven, we love you. We come to you at this time asking for you to keep our friends, family, and people we love safe and healthy. Help us care for one another and for those in need. Come and fill our hearts with care, happiness, love and joy. With gladness and loving hearts, we pray to you, Jesus, Our Savior. Amen

#### Prayer 51. For a Birthday

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever he may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* fall; and in *his* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Prayer for St. Francis

Heavenly Father, we come to you at this time, seeking your perfect plan for St. Francis. We seek your wisdom, discernment, and guidance as to how we may serve you best and to your glory. Make us a church where your Son, Jesus, is lifted up as Lord and Savior and where the healing power and presence of the Holy Spirit is known. Even as your people trusted in you to bring them to the Promised Land, we look to you as God and Father to lead us in all things. We trust you to bring to us the people and resources to help us accomplish your work. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

# **The Holy Communion**

# **The Offertory**

# **Doxology**

People

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

# The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you. *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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

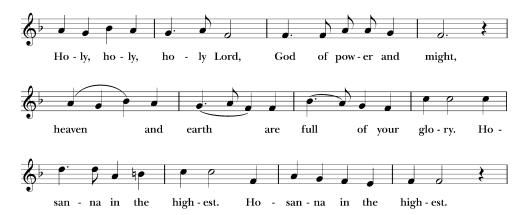
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

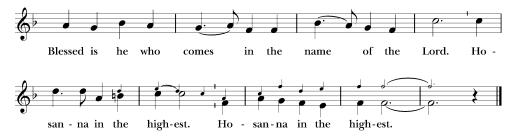
Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

The Sanctus S-125

The following is sung or said, all standing.





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The people stand or kneel. Then 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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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 forever. *AMEN*.

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

People and Celebrant

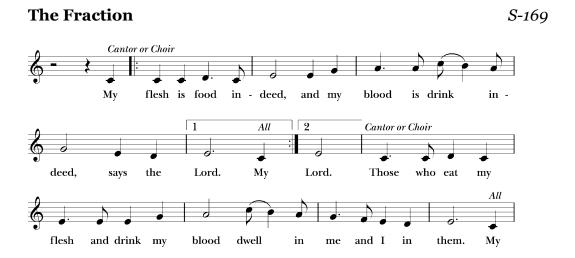
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

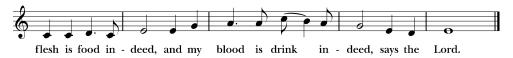
# The Breaking of Bread

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

Then may be sung or said

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]* 





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Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

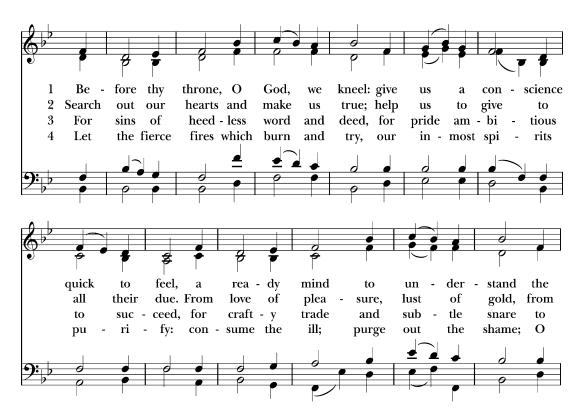
and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament and then immediately deliver it to the people. 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**

Before thy throne, O God, we kneel 574





Words: William Boyd Carpenter (1841-1918), alt. Music: St. Petersburg, Dimitri S. Bortniansky (1751-1825).

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

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.

The Priest may bless the people.

#### **Closing Hymn**

 $God\ of\ grace\ and\ God\ of\ glory\ \ 594$ 





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The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.