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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost with Holy Communion
9:15 am † August 15, 2021

GATHERING

PRELUDE

***CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS p. 94**

The assembly stands as they are able. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

In the name of the Father,
and of the [†] Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us,
and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of
your holy name.**

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us
all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I
therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the
[†] Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GREETING p. 138

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE p. 139

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia,
 alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of
 God, and join in the hymn of all crea-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,
 glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. Amen.

Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia,
 alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was
 slain has be-gun his reign. Alleluia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Proverbs 9:1-6

A reading from Proverbs.

¹Wisdom has built her house,
 she has hewn her seven pillars.
²She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,
 she has also set her table.
³She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls
 from the highest places in the town,
⁴"You that are simple, turn in here!"
 To those without sense she says,
⁵"Come, eat of my bread
 and drink of the wine I have mixed.
⁶Lay aside immaturity, and live,
 and walk in the way of insight."

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

PSALM: Psalm 34:9-14

⁹Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,
 for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
¹⁰**The lions are in want and suffer hunger,**
 but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
¹¹Come, children, and listen to me;
 I will teach you reverence for the LORD.
¹²**Who among you takes pleasure in life**
 and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?
¹³Keep your tongue from evil
 and your lips from lying words.
¹⁴**Turn from evil and do good;**
 seek peace and pursue it.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:15-20

A reading from Ephesians.

¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION p. 142**



The musical notation consists of two staves of music in G major, common time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a dotted half note. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia." are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a dotted half note. The lyrics "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia." are written below the notes.

GOSPEL: John 6:51-58

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said,] ⁵¹"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY #804 Come Down, O Love Divine

Come Down, O Love Divine

1 Come down, O Love di - vine; seek thou this soul of mine
2 Oh, let it free - ly burn, till world - ly pas - sions turn
3 Let ho - ly char - i - ty mine out - ward ves - ture be,
4 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
and low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - ing—
shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near; with - in my heart ap - pear
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
true low - li - ness of heart, which takes the hum - bler part,
no soul can guess Love's grace till it be - come the place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
and o'er its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.
where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes a dwell - ing.

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APOSTLES' CREED p.104

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

God of wisdom, enlighten your church. Guide theologians, biblical scholars, authors, and seminary professors as they seek greater knowledge and invite others into deeper understanding. Teach us to ask faithful questions and open our minds to new ideas. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of creation, mend the earth. Cool warming oceans and preserve melting ice caps. Increase our awareness of changing climate patterns and reveal new approaches to the ecological challenges we face. Shield those in the path of hurricanes or tropical storms. Protect those suffering the effects of extreme heat across this nation and Europe, and the wildfires raging in the Western United States. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of all nations, direct our leaders. Grant them courage to lay aside political grudges and renew their determination to address difficult conflicts. Guide them in the work of reconciliation. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of compassion, tend to the wounded. Rescue those tormented by mental illness or mired in addiction. Ease the anxiety of those struggling with dementia. Come quickly to help all who are grieving and all those who suffer, and all who mourn the death of a loved one, especially the families of Linda Mursch and Salvatore DeRosa, who were called home to Christ this past week. Be with those who are sick, especially Judy, Frank, Wayne, Marianne, Marilyn, and Mia; all on the prayer list; all people affected by COVID-19; and those we name before you now (pause). God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of beauty, inspire artists. Bless those whose visual and musical gifts enliven this assembly, especially Jill; Kyungwha; our soloists Cindy, Diane, and Brian; our choir members; all who created and maintain the seasonal and baptismal banners. Bless the creations of poets, hymnwriters, composers, painters, sculptors, and others who enrich our worship and daily life. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of resurrection, bring us to new life. Give us the living bread from heaven through which we abide in your love, and on the last day raise us with Salvatore, Linda, Audrey, Ruth; Mary, Mother of Our Lord; Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux and all the saints; to eternal life. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

(*Pastor*) We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE p. 143

OFFERING

Thank you for continuing to make your contributions in support of the ministries of Saint Andrew's, particularly during these challenging times, by mail or by visiting our website to set up online giving.

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life,
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

MEAL

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

DIALOGUE AND PREFACE p. 144

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major, common time. The lyrics are integrated into the music as follows:
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

EUCARISTIC PRAYER p.145

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

COMMUNION p.146

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.
Come!

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
☩ be upon you now and forever. **Amen**

SENDING HYMN #537 On Our Way Rejoicing

On Our Way Rejoicing

1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;

Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;

Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,

who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

Refrain

On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,
hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

The flowers on the altar are given in thanksgiving for Pastor Susan Shelhart on her birthday by her friend Nancy Dohrman Itkin.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER (15 August 2021)

THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING:

Lex Stolle, Carmine Colasanto [requested by Carolyn Gabelman]

Cathy English, John Hochuli, Margo Naranjo, Lynn Lindroth, Richard English [requested by Barbara English]

Norma Martin [requested by Sue Rorke]

Carol Kaelin, Robert Richards, Pamela Catania (Justine Hoffman's mom), Lise Gunther, Nancy Fjellstad, Winnie Malloy, Joe Dugan, Don & Marianne Spagna [requested by Mary Fjellstad]

Marilyn Havighorst [requested by Martha Hahn]

Mia Kaiser [requested by Emilie Diehl]

Nicholas Mauceri and Rocky Cinque [requested by Marianne Spagna]

Noelle Miller, Marlene Demetri, the Nason family [requested by Leslee Mathieson]

Richard Wiles [husband of Joan Wiles]

Stanley Ulc, Stefanie Spath [requested by Marianna Ulc and family]

John Sullivan [requested by Dottie & Jim Clavell]

Kerri Swanson [requested by Linda & Jud Taylor]

Rosemary Greiner [requested by Lee Nocero]

Virginia & Marty Perry, Marilyn Henson, Amy Kitay [requested by Diana & David Smiloff]

Ruth Aiello & Penny Hoy [requested by Cindy Davis]

Riordan Cavooris [requested by Darlene Klouda]

Ilse Gunther, Ralph Gunther and Stephanie O'Neill [requested by the Hoffman family]

Zach Hills [requested by Brian & Diane Marley]

Bernadette Uneberg [requested by John Hinsch]

Joan Young [requested by Sue Dresch]

Walter Henning Sr., Pastor Frank Modr, the Reumann family, Art Hansen, John Scheper, the Clark and Hohlbein families, the DeRosa family, the Mursch family, Edward Pascale (father of Rose Fesselmeyer) [requested by Pastor Shelhart]

David Travis [requested by Richard Travis]

Mike Schuster [requested by Eric Palmer]

Carolyn Martin [requested by Linda Overton]

The family of Elaine Robinson [requested by Deborah Cellar]

Bill Feigin [requested by Jessica Michalski]

Judy Hinsch [requested by the Hinsch family]

Pastor Wayne Gollenberg, Liz Solomon, Warren Hemming, Joe Lupo [requested by the Breimann family]

Jessica Becker and infant Grayson [requested by Eve Overton]

Fr Jeevan Paul [requested by Joe & Brenda Dugan]

Gary Cuozzo [requested by Tom & Pat Pernice]

Nicole Magee [requested by Janis Rainieri]

Brianna Maglio [requested by Linda Pagano]

Fred Eichorn [requested by James Flaherty]

Judy and John Hinsch thank you for your prayers. Judy is taking a break from Facebook and asks that you not post on social media. If you would like to follow updates on Judy's care/treatment and share comments, please visit the Caring Bridge link established by the Hinsch's children:

<https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/judyressmeyerhinsch/journal/view/id/60402ca3a9a2050001a80944>

THOSE IN MILITARY SERVICE:

Captain Zachary Hinsch [nephew of Judy & John Hinsch]

Captain Brendan Madarasz

Major Lenore Livingston [daughter of Helen & Art Fortin]

Sergeant Charlee Seto [granddaughter of Jacci & Mike Milo]

Corporal August Detting

Major William Fortin