



Holy Cross EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 20, 2023

The Service of the Word

Opening Hymn 209: "We Walk By Faith"

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever! Amen.*

The 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

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL *** (Ages 4 – 10 years)

During the following hymn, children process with the leader to the Chapel for a lesson and singing; they return at The Peace.

Song of Praise 482: "Lord of All Hopefulness"

*Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy
Whose trust ever childlike no cares could destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day*

The Collect of the Day - prayed by the Celebrant

The First Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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

Psalm: 67 (read responsively by whole verse)

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us,
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase;
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe
of him.

Sequence Hymn: "Here's My Heart/Have It All"

*Here's my heart, Lord.
Here's my heart, Lord.
Here's my heart, Lord,
Speak what is true*

*You can have it all, Lord.
Ev'ry part of my world
Take this life and breathe on
This heart that is now Yours*

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 15:10-28

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

People *Glory to you Lord Christ.*

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said,

“Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise to you Lord Christ.***

Sermon: “What A Jesus Wants”
The Rev. Rob Dixon

The Nicene Creed (p. 358 BCP)

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 & 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.*

(*“catholic” means universal)

Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God – *Silence.*

Almighty Father, for the peace and unity of the Church
of God;

*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the
Truth.*

Breathe your Holy Spirit into our families, our church,
and our nation,

Help us to know you and to follow your ways.

Move your Spirit within our hearts and minds,

*Enable us to live boldly for love, truth, justice, and
peace.*

Bless and sanctify our jobs, our work, and our leisure,
*So that our entire lives will be a blessing to you, to us,
and to our neighbor.*

Embrace within your Spirit all who are in danger,
sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*Help us to answer your call to tend to the sick, the
friendless, and the needy.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation
– *Silence.* We pray especially for all who have died and
for those who miss them. – *Silence.* We also pray for all
those on our church’s prayer list;

*Fill their lives with the healing power of your loving
Spirit.*

We will exalt you, O God our King - Father, Son, and
Holy Spirit,

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

The Confession (p. 360 BCP)

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 Peace: Welcome & Announcements

**For Giving
Electronically**

*Point phone
camera at this
Image.*

Thank You!





The Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 369 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

The Communion. *All baptized Christians are invited and welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited come forward, cross their arms over their chest, and receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pews, please notify the ushers at the door of the church. For bread only, no wine, put one arm across your chest. Gluten Free available.*

Offertory: “The Joy of the Lord” (*see insert*)

The Doxology 380: (v. 3)

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

The 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Communion Hymn: “See You Again” (*see insert*)

Communion Hymn: “All are Welcome” (*see insert*)

Post Communion Prayer (p. 365 BCP)

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 Blessing

Closing Hymn 529: “In Christ There is No East or West”

Serving Today

8:00am

DOD: Pam Walker
Ambassadors: Mary Shontz
Chalice Bearers: D’Anna Entrekin
Readers: Lorrie Wilkinson, Vince Smith

10:30am

DOD: Susan Bell
Acolytes: Evelyn Spain, Grace Andrew,
& Sierra Dixon
Ambassadors: Clay Coleman
Chalice Bearers: Miya May Iversen, &
Madeleine Hutchisone
Readers: Madeleine Hutchison, John Holder

Flower Dedications

In Honor of Lucy Evans Beich Young Brabham's Birthday!

Your Sermon Notes:

Prayer List

Requested Prayers will remain on the list for 4 weeks. Please let us know if you need to be on longer.

Requested Prayer

Angel, Ann, Anne M, Anne R., Arlie, Art, Axel, Barbara S., Bobby, Brad, Brenna, Byron, Carolyn, Chloe, Chris G., Christopher, Cindy B., Cindy R., Connie, Cory, Crystal, Curt, David P., Diane P., Don, Ed D., Elaine, Fay, Francis, Gary, Gretchen, Hank, Herman, Ivy, Jack, Jan, Jean, Jim H., John H., Jonathan U., Joyce, Judy, Karen, Kathy B., Kathy M., Kathy S., Kelli, Kenneth, Laura, Linda, Lorrie, Mabel, Madeleine, Manuel, Marguerite, Marilyn, Mary, Martha, Melissa, Michelle, Mike, Nancy G., Nancy S., Nell, Pamela, Paula, Phyllis, Rachel H., Rachel I., Ralph, Richard, Sally, Seth, Sheri L., Sherry Jo, Stephanie, Sylvia, The Rev. Trisha Spencer, Thomas S., Tom L., Virginia, Wade, Walt, Wanda, Wendy, William B., & William Z.

Military

Adam Paris, Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Asa Ramsey, Ben Boyer, Benjamin Merriweather, Bruce Gough, Cale Eggart, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Corbin Czeck,

Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey, Jackie Neville, James Madden, Jeremy Rice, Jessica Parker, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Landen Haskins, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Sean Haight, Shaun Southall, Stephen del Risco, Terry W. Triplett, Jr., T. J. Bossa, Tyler Post

Prayers for Guidance & Peace

Leanne Beaumont
Ted Kirchharr

New Beginnings

Hudson James Dauzat born on August 7, 2023 (Great Grandson of Jim Maddox)

Repose of the Soul

Eddie Duggan (Friend of Maureen O'Donnell)
Bob Rawson (Step-father of Rena Killam)
John Parr (Student of Sarah Tarkus)

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