

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Offering Companionship along the Way*

## THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 31, 2022

**Prelude** Organ improvisation on tune *Ratisbon*

Christine Gevert

**Opening Hymn** 7 Christ, whose glory fills the skies

*Ratisbon*

### THE WORD OF GOD

*Pastor* Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*Priest* 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.**

**The Gloria: Hymnal S 280**

Robert J. Powell

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,**

**we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:**

**have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

**receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,**

**Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*Pastor* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Pastor* Let us pray together our collect.

**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.**

## **A reading from the Prophecy of 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.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

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

*Gevert-1*

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.

## **A reading from Paul's Letter to the 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!

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn 631** Book of books, our people's strength

*Liebster Jesu*

**Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia"**

Christine Gevert (2017)

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 12:13-21

*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."

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon**

The Rev. Heidi Truax

**A time of Silent Reflection**

**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**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

We give thanks to you, Lord God, for all your blessings. We pray in gratitude for the celebrations of our lives (*we lift up in prayer all those things for which we are thankful.*) Lord in your goodness: **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours. On our parish cycle of prayer we pray today for Marion Williams, Norma Wright, for Lindley and Allen Young, and for their families. Grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as God loves us. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (*we read from the list and leave time for names to be added.*) Give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died (*we read from the list and leave time for names to be added.*) We pray that your will for them may be fulfilled, and that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Confession**

**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 Absolution**

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.**

*Priest*        The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**

### **Announcements**

**Offertory Hymn 404** We will extol you, ever-blessed Lord *Old 124th*

**Doxology Hymn 380, vs. 3** Praise God from whom all blessings flow *Old 100th*

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Priest*        The Lord be with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**  
*Priest*        Lift up your hearts.  
*People*        **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Priest*        Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*        **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; you brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout for joy:

**“Holy—Santo” (Bilingual Sanctus)** Christine Gevert (2021)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Santo, santo, santo es el Señor.  
God of power and might. Dios del universo.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Llenos están los cielos y la tierra de tu gloria.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna en los cielos.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Bendito es el que viene en el nombre del Señor  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna en los cielos.**

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you call a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the New Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

**Dying, you destroyed our death.**

**Rising, you restored our life.**

**Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise. Blessed are you now and for ever.

**AMEN.**

And now as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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.**

**Fraction Anthem: Hymnal S154** Christ our Passover—Alleluia

David Hurd

**Distribution of Holy Communion at floor level**

*Please indicate to the Minister of Communion if you would like to instinct your wafer in the chalice with wine or the chalice with grape juice.*

**Communion Solo** “Nur durch Lieb und durch Erbarmen”, from Cantata BWV 164  
by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Christine Gevert, Alto

*German text*

Nur durch Lieb und durch Erbarmen  
Werden wir Gott selber gleich.  
Samaritergleiche Herzen  
Lassen fremden Schmerz sich schmerzen  
Und sind an Erbarmung reich.

*English translation*

Only through love and through mercy  
will we become like God himself.  
Hearts like the Samaritan's  
are moved to pain by another's suffering  
and are rich in compassion.

**Postcommunion Prayer**

**O God, by your grace and Spirit you have raised up witnesses and servants in many lands and cultures: Pour out your blessing upon the churches and provinces of the Anglican Communion, and upon their leaders as they gather for fellowship in the Lambeth Conference, that their diversity may enrich their common witness and service to the honor and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

**Final Hymn 375** Give praise and glory unto God

*Du Lebensbrot Herr Jesu Christ*

**The Dismissal**

*Priest* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** Organ improvisation on tune *Du Lebensbrot Herr Jesu Christ*

*The Altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God.*

**Serving Today**

*Rector:* The Rev. Heidi Truax  
*Music Director:* Christine Gevert  
*Minister of Communion:* Pari Forood  
*Lector:* Eleanore Boyse  
*Epistoler:* Tom Schindler  
*Intercessor:* Susanna Schindler  
*Altar Guild:* Bev Becker  
*Flowers:* Heather Chapman  
*Counter:* Gordon Gustafson  
*Greeter/Usher:* Pari Forood and Mike Cuoco  
*Verger:* Geoff Brown

## Announcements

- Today** 12:00 Noon—Book Forum with author Leo Gafney and his new book: *I am with you Always*—conversation and book signing
- Sunday, Aug. 21** Next Vestry Meeting
- Sunday, Aug. 28** 4:00 PM Misa en Español
- Sunday, Sep. 25** Save the date! CROP Walk.
- Mondays** 7:00 PM Crescendo Rehearsal
- Tuesdays** 7:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous in Walker Hall
- Wednesdays** Services at Noble Horizons, Geer Nursing, Geer Lodge and Sharon Hospital  
6:00 PM on the first Wednesday of the month—Women’s AA
- Thursdays** 1:00 PM Bible Study on Zoom– Gospel of John Next meeting—August 4.
- Saturdays** 9—Noon—Bookkeeper, Nancy Hiller is in the office

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