

ST. JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH**The Eighth Sunday of Pentecost**

July 14th, 2024

Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

Incumbent: The Venerable John E. Anderson

Director of Music: Jeff Campbell

Congregational Hymn SingHymn "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

V1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not; as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed Thy hand hath provided; great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

V2 Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Refrain Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed Thy hand hath provided; great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

V3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

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Hymn 423 "How Great Thou Art" *Verses 1, 2, 4*

Processional Hymn 381 "Praise, My Soul the King of Heaven" *Praise, My Soul*

Welcome

Gathering of the Community

May the glory of the Lord endure forever,
May we rejoice in God's works!

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live,
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

May our meditations be pleasing to God,
For we rejoice in the Lord.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.
Praise the Lord!

Celebrant Almighty God,
 All **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.**

Gathering Hymn "Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary"
Sung Twice

J.W. Thompson

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Gathering Prayer

O God, when pride leads us deeper into sin, grant us strength, so that we may turn from pride and know the power of your uncompromising love. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Proclamation of the WordA READING FROM THE BOOK OF AMOS

Amos 7:7-15 page 891

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God**

PSALM 85: 8-13

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts. Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS

Ephesians 1: 3-14 *page 1133*

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The Gospel Reading

Gospel Acclamation Hymn 360 "Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Taize

The Lord be with you,
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark,
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for

his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb. MARK 6:14-29

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Hymn 360 "Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Taize

Sermon Archdeacon John Anderson

Solo "Safe Within Your Arms, Lord"

arr. Mark Hayes

Christina Bosco, soloist

Whether I'm right, or whether I'm wrong, whether I'm weak, or whether I'm strong, whether I'm sure or maybe confused, feeling loved or feeling used: I know a place where I can go, somewhere that winter winds don't blow; there I am warmed by loving arms, held with care next to Your heart.

And I'm safe within Your arms, Lord. I've become a child again. I've come back to the source of love, where healing can begin. Though the world would say I must be strong and prove my worth by what I do, I will rest assured in Your embrace and find my strength in You.

Whether I'm walking in the light or whether I'm stumbling through the night, You are a god whose promise endures; though undeserved, Your love is sure. When I am tempted to pursue plans that may lead me far away from You, gently You call "My child, come home. I will never let go of one of my own."

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Affirmation of Faith - Hear , O Israel

**Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your mind, and with all your strength.**

**This is the first and the greatest commandment. The second is like it;
Love your neighbour as yourself.**

There is no commandment greater than these.

The Prayers of the People Mae Cox, Lay-reader

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

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 neighbours 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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon you and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace *(Please stand if able)*

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

Offertory Hymn "In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song.
 This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through fiercest drought and storm.
 What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when
 strivings cease! My Comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe.
 This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save.
 'Til on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied;
 For ev'ry sin on Him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain.
 Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
 And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
 For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me.
 From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand.
 'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

The Celebration of the EucharistPrayer over the Gifts

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your
 hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, so that we may come to
 the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. **Amen.**
Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

Eucharistic Prayer #2 (BAS pg. 196)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus (732 CP)

All

Community Mass/R. Proulx

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

"I am the bread of life." says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

The Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei ((CP 745)

Mass of Hope

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Music

Hymn 522 "Rock of Ages"

Petra

Hymn "There is a Redeemer"

Green

V1 There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son; Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Refrain Thank You, oh, my Father, for giving us Your Son, and leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

V2 Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names; Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain. **Refrain**

V3 When I stand in Glory, I will see His face, there I'll serve my King forever in that holy place. **Refrain**

Prayer After Communion

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006)*

Glory to God

Glory to God,
whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional "Spread, O Spread Thou Mighty Word"

Gott Sei Dank

V1 Spread, O spread, thou mighty word, spread the kingdom of the Lord, that to earth's remotest bound all may hear the joyful sound.

V2 Word of how the Father's will made the world and keeps it, still; how His only Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save.

V3 Word of how the Saviour's love earth's sore burden doth remove; how forever, in its need, through His death the world is freed.

V4 Word of how the Spirit came bringing peace in Jesus' name; how His never-failing love guides us on to heaven above.

V5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the nations long,
spread abroad, until from night all the world awakes to light!

Dismissal

Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world God loves! And go
in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Sung Benediction "May the Hope of God Go With Us"

May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy
and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and
hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all; working, for a
world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.

Postlude

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