



Sunday Proper 16

August 25, 2024

Please stand as you are able

Processional Hymn

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

H460

- 1 Alleluia! sing to Jesus! his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by his blood.
- 3 Alleluia! Bread of Heaven, thou on earth our food, our stay!
Alleluia! here the sinful flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.
- 4 Alleluia! King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own:
Alleluia! born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the eucharistic feast.

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
All **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.**

Presider 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.

All **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. S280**
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.

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.
Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please Sit

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Lesson Joshua 24:16-25

Lay Reader A reading from the Book of Joshua...

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the LORD, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good."

And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the LORD!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the LORD, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the LORD, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The LORD our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem...The Word of the Lord...

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:15-22

- 15 The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, *
and his ears are open to their cry.
- 16 The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, *
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
- 17 The righteous cry, and the Lord hears them *
and delivers them from all their troubles.
- 18 The Lord is near to the brokenhearted *
and will save those whose spirits are crushed.
- 19 Many are the troubles of the righteous, *
but the Lord will deliver him out of them all.
- 20 He will keep safe all his bones; *
not one of them shall be broken.
- 21 Evil shall slay the wicked, *
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.
- 22 The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.

Lesson Ephesians 6:10-20

Lay Reader A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians...

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak...The Word of the Lord...

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able

Gospel Hymn

Blessed Jesus At Thy Word

H440

- 1 Blessed Jesus, at thy word we are gathered all to hear thee;
let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear thee;
by thy teachings pure and holy, drawn from earth to love thee solely.
- 2 All our knowledge, sense, and sight lie in deepest darkness shrouded,
till thy Spirit breaks our night with the beams of truth unclouded;
thou alone to God canst win us; thou must work all good within us.
- 3 Gracious Lord, thyself impart! Light of Light, from God proceeding,
open thou our ears and heart, help us by thy Spirit's pleading.
Hear the cry thy Church upraises; hear, and bless our prayers and praises.

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Reading John 6: 56-69

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This 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." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ

Please be seated

Sermon

Reverend Fr. Mike Seiler

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father 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 and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He had 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"
For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Jennifer our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: For a spirit of reconciliation and right relationship with our Native American relatives, that we may be a healing presence in this place, we pray to you, O Lord.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: For those in positions of public trust: Joe our President, and Katie, our Governor, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for blessings upon the people and leaders of St. Luke's at the Mountain in Phoenix.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: For this *congregation* for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal. We pray especially for _____ (*the congregation may add names and petitions.*). We pray to you, O Lord.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected. We pray especially for _____ (*the congregation may add names and petitions.*) We pray to you, O Lord.
- People: Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader: Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.
- People: To you, O Lord our God.**

A period of silence follows. The Presider concludes the Prayers with the following:

Presider 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.

People Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, in what we have done, and in 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.

Presider 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.

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Congregational Song Let There Be Peace on Earth (text located on the back page of the hymnal)

THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE

Please sit, stand or kneel as you are able for the Eucharistic prayer

Offertory Sentence Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offering and come into his courts. Psalm 96:8

Offertory Music

All Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye, Heavenly host;
Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Presider The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.



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The Presider continues:

It is a right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

All Sanctus S127

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.**

The Presider 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.

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:

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

The Presider 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 are yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**All 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.**

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
All Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Everyone is welcome to receive the bread and wine of Christ's Body and Blood. The wine will be offered by intinction, which means that you may dip the wafer into the small cup of wine offered by the Deacon. Please do not put your

*fingers into the wine. If you do not wish to receive the wine, just receive the wafer and return to your seat. The Church teaches that you receive the full Christ in either the bread or wine. There is no requirement to receive both. **Gluten free wafers are available upon request.***

Communion Music

Presider The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

Communicant Amen.

Deacon The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

Communicant Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

All **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

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. **Amen**

Closing Hymn

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

H561

1 Stand up, stand up, for Jesus, ye soldiers of the cross;
lift high his royal banner, it must not suffer loss:
from victory unto victory his army shall he lead,
till every foe is vanquished and Christ is Lord indeed.

2 Stand up, stand up, for Jesus; the trumpet call obey;
forth to the mighty conflict in this his glorious day:
ye that are his now serve him against unnumbered foes;
let courage rise with danger, and strength to strength oppose.

4 Stand up, stand up, for Jesus: the strife will not be long:
this day, the noise of battle; the next, the victor's song.
To valiant hearts triumphant, a crown of life shall be;
they with the King of glory shall reign eternally.

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude



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Family & Friends Prayer List

Jane & Ann Morton for healing and comfort
 Jason for comfort and healing
 Mike for healing and recovery
 Cathy Downs for healing and recovery
 Susan Shippy for healing and recovery
 Lt. Col. Dellwyn Davis for healing and recovery
 Sheryl Cooper for healing and comfort
The above name will stay on this list for up to four weeks. If someone needs to remain on this list for a longer period, or to have others added to this list, please contact the church office.

Ongoing List

Calvin Werbelow
 George Toschak
 Paula Erwin Yoder
 Becky Thomas
 Hartley Bennett
 Sandy Schlege, Betty Hanson
 All first responders
 All Healthcare workers
 All funeral directors and staff
 Peace for the people of Gaza, Israel, Ukraine and Russia

Military Prayer List

All members of the Armed Forces, especially those serving overseas

U.S. Air Force	Colby	Harlan
	KayLee	Thomas
U.S. Army	Andrew	
U.S. Navy	Caleb	Landon
	McKenzie	

Worship Ministry

Sunday 8/25	Rev. Mike Seiler
Acolyte	Michael Campbell
Altar Guild	Erica Baxter
Usher	John Carr
Lector	Linda Brockwell
Bishop's Committee	Erica**/Randy
Sunday, 9/01	Rev. Mike Seiler
Acolyte	Michael Campbell
Altar Guild	Caroline Markham
Usher	Linda Brockwell
Lector	Kathleen O'Hagan
Bishop's Committee	Kelly/Sam**

Prayer Service Schedule

Morning Prayer - Wednesday-Friday 7:30 am
 Morning Prayer and Breakfast - Second Thursday in the month - 7:30 am
 Anglican Rosary -Every Thursday 1 pm
 Taizé Service - 1st Wednesday of the month 6 pm in the church

Announcements

Coffee Hour - ECW



Upcoming:

8/26 Newsletter articles are due
 9/01 Birthday Celebration
 9/01 Rustic Ranch service @ 1pm
 9/02 Labor Day - Office Closed
 9/04 Taizé Service 6 pm
 9/08 BCM Meeting
 9/17 ECW Meeting

Reminding everyone that *Adult Forum* at 9:15 in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

Project SALT Food for 9/01: Pasta, Rice, Pasta Mixes, Rice Mixes



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Deacon
Music Director
Office Manager
Senior Warden
Junior Warden
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