



Sunday Proper 17

September 1, 2024

Please stand as you are able

Processional Hymn

Lift Up Your Heads

H436

- 1 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;
behold, the King of glory waits!
The King of kings is drawing near;
the Savior of the world is here.
- 2 O blest the land, the city blest,
where Christ the ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes
to whom this King of triumph comes!
- 3 Fling wide the portals of your heart;
make it a temple, set apart
from earthly use for heaven's employ,
adorned with prayer and love and joy.
- 4 Redeemer, come! I open wide
my heart to thee: here, Lord, abide!
Let me thy inner presence feel:
thy grace and love in me reveal.
- 5 So come, my Sovereign; enter in!
Let new and nobler life begin;
thy Holy Spirit guide us on,
until the glorious crown be won.

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.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; 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 Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-9

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

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children —...The Word of the Lord...

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 15

- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; *
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
but he honors those who fear the Lord.
- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
and does not take back his word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.

Lesson James 1: 17-27

Lay Reader A reading from the Letter of James...

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not

doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act — they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world....The Word of the Lord...

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able

Gospel Hymn

Before Thy Throne, O God

H574

- 1 Before thy throne, O God, we kneel: give us a conscience quick to feel,
a ready mind to understand the meaning of thy chastening hand;
whate'er the pain and shame may be, bring us, O Father, nearer thee.
- 2 Search out our hearts and make us true; help us to give to all their due.
From love of pleasure, lust of gold, from sins which make the heart grow cold,
wean us and train us with thy rod; teach us to know our faults, O God.

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Reading Mark 7: 1-8, 21-23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person." From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice.

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 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.

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. Mary's 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 Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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 *Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.*

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.**

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.



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**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

Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

H344

- 1 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace:
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.
- 2 Thanks we give and adoration for thy Gospel's joyful sound:
may the fruits of thy salvation in our hearts and lives abound:
ever faithful, ever faithful to thy truth may we be found;
- 3 so that when thy love shall call us, Savior, from the world away,
fear of death shall not appall us, glad thy summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever reign with thee in endless day.

Deacon Let us go forth into the world. 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. Navy	Caleb	Landon
	McKenzie	

Worship Ministry

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
Sunday, 9/08	Rev. Mike Seiler
Acolyte	Michael Campbell
Altar Guild	Dave Loder
Usher	Linda Brockwell
Lector	Joe Stevens
Bishop's Committee	Erica/Randy**

Prayer Service Schedule

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

Announcements

Coffee Hour - ECW



Upcoming:

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
9/12 Morning Prayer & Breakfast
9/17 ECW Meeting

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

Project SALT Food for 9/08: Soup, Stews and Ramen



*Becky Thomas - 4/10/60 -8/22/24
In Our Thoughts and Prayers*

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