



Season After Pentecost – Proper 16

August 23, 2026

Prelude *(We ask for silence during the Prelude to allow everyone a moment of peaceful reflection)*

Opening Hymn

When Morning Gilds the Skies

H427

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

Amen

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

Gloria

S280

Presider The Lord be with you.

All 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**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Lesson Isaiah 51:1-6

Lay Reader A reading from the Prophet Isaiah...

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many.

For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope.

Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended...The Word of the Lord...

All Thanks be to God

Psalm 138

¹ I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.

² I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;

³ For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.

⁴ When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.

⁵ All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

⁶ They will sing of the ways of the Lord, *
that great is the glory of the Lord.

⁷ Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.

⁸ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

⁹ The Lord will make good his purpose for me; *
O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

The Second Lesson Romans 12:1-8

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

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching;

the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness...The Word of the Lord...

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

God is Love

H379

Gospel Matthew 16:13-20

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to .

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon

Rev. Mike Seiler

(A period of silence follows. The Deacon leads the people in the confession of our faith.)

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 worshipped 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

(The Deacon leads the People in the Prayers)

- Deacon:* With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy." For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* For the leaders of all nations, and for all in authority, that they may seek justice and truth, and pursue the human dignity of all those entrusted to their leadership, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* For the town of Wickenburg, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* For healing, justice, and reconciliation between Native American people and the people of this Diocese, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* For an end to prejudice throughout our country and the world; that we will respect all people as precious children of God; and that all forms of discrimination and oppression will be forever banished from our hearts, our society, and our laws.
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially Deb, Carrie, Fred, Jim, Pink, Francoise, Diane, Don, Patricia, Tobie, Hartley, Sandy, Zachary, Bridgette, Randy S, Kay P, Cheri, Ellie, Dawn, Mike W, Susan, _____ *(people may add the names of the sick)*, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially _____ *(people may remember those who have died)*, let us pray to the Lord,
- People:* ***Lord, have mercy.***
- Deacon:* That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Deacon: Defend us, deliver us, and in your compassion protect us, O Lord, by your grace.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Deacon: In the communion of St. Alban, and 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 adds a concluding collect.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

(A period of silence follows. The Deacon leads the people in the confession.)

People **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.**

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.**

THE PASSING OF GOD'S PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Congregational Song **Let There Be Peace on Earth**

(The text is inside of the back cover of the hymnal.)

THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE

Please sit, stand or kneel for the Eucharistic Prayer

Offertory Sentence I appeal to you therefore, siblings, on the basis of God's mercy, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your reasonable act of worship. Romans 12:1

Offertory Music

All

Doxology

H380 v3



Presider Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made: it will become for us the bread of life.

People **Blessed be God for ever.**

Presider Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands; it will become the cup of our salvation.

People **Blessed be God for ever.**

(The acolyte receives the offering plate and the presider says the following prayer.)

Presider Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we present to you these tithes and offerings, which out of your abundance you have given to us. May we see them as our sacrifice to you, filled with hope and possibility for the work of the church and the furthering of your kingdom.

(The presider offers the following prayer.)

Presider Pray, my siblings, that my sacrifice, and yours, may be acceptable to Almighty God.

People **May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands to the praise and glory of God's name, to our benefit, and to that of all God's holy church.**

(The presider continues)

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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 and gracious God: 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 maker and of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

(At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayers, the Great Amen, all people bow.)

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

People **The Lord's Prayer**

BCP 364

Presider Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

All **Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)**

S161

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

Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are 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 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.

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.**

COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

(This is omitted if there are no visitations scheduled for the week)

Presider: (Name), we send you out to share Communion this week.

People: **May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.**

Presider: May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: **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

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

H376

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia!

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



Thank you for worshipping with us today!

If you would like to be contacted, need prayer, or wish to know more about the church, please fill out one of the pew cards or ask an usher for information.

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Sunday 08/23

Acolyte

Altar Guild

Usher

Lector

MOC

Bishop's Committee

Rev. Mike Seiler

Cammie Pratt

Caroline Markham

Kelly Ryan

Michael Clow

Jan Savoie

Caroline**/Randy

Sunday 08/30

Acolyte

Altar Guild

Usher

Lector

MOC

Bishop's Committee

Rev. Mike Seiler

Erica Baxter

Mary Kim Piccinini

Kelly Ryan

Linda Brockwell

David Bertollette

David B**/Dave L

Family & Friends Prayer List

Prayers for everyday life:

For strength and patience: Deb; for Carrie to be free from drugs.

For healing and recovery:

Jim Rizzo	Francoise Marshall
Diane Paulsgrove	Don Thorson
Patricia Drake	Tobie Wilburn
Bridgette Dunn	Randy Sipkema
Kay Pynch	Cheri Cook
Ellie Nolan	Dawn Franks Creel
Mike Wingard	Susan Bray

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

Hartley Bennett Sandy Schlegel
Zachary Bertolette Pink Foster
All first responders and all healthcare workers
All funeral directors and staff
Wickenburg Town Council and Staff
All those affected by incarceration
Peace for the people of Gaza, Sudan, Israel, Ukraine and Russia

Military Prayer List

All members of the Armed Forces, especially those serving overseas

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

Lord Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd of the sheep, you gather the lambs in your arms and carry them in your bosom.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

8/23 St. John the Baptist in Glendale and our companion diocese: the Diocese of Western Mexico and the Diocese of Upper Southern Nyanza-Kisii
Pray for God's blessing on the leaders and people of this parish.

Worship Ministry

Sunday 08/23	Rev. Mike Seiler
Acolyte	Cammie Pratt
Altar Guild	Caroline Markham
Usher	Kelly Ryan
Lector	Michael Clow
MOC	Jan Savoie
Bishop's Committee	Caroline**/Randy

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Announcements

Coffee Hour – ECW

Upcoming:

Weekly scripture forum 9:00 AM – 9:30 AM
Weekly prayers with Fr. Mike 9:30 AM – 9:45 AM
Weekly Healing Eucharist Wednesday 1 PM
Weekly Anglican Rosary Thursdays 1 PM
Weekly Bible Study: Women of the Bible
Thursdays 2 PM – 4 PM

08/30 SALT lunch
09/05 Our Worship Service class 10 AM – 12 PM
09/06 Birthday celebration
09/06 Bishop's Committee meeting 11:30 AM
09/07 Labor Day – Office closed
09/12 Farmer's Market 8:30 AM – 1 PM
09/15 Game Day 1 PM – 4 PM
09/20 Parish Nurse
09/22 ECW meeting 12 PM
09/26 Movie Day: End of the Spear

Project SALT Food suggestions list in Parish Hall
Prayer leader for this week: Claudia Danker



Administration

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Vicar	The Rev. Mike Seiler
Deacon	The Rev. Debra Loder
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Junior Warden	Dave Bertolette
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Deacon Debra by appointment.

