



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons*

**The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 18, 2021 • 10:30 AM  
Holy Eucharist, Rite Two**

*The service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer. The service is printed here in its entirety.*

**The Opening Hymn**

*O for a thousand tongues to sing  
Hymnal 493*

**The Liturgy of the Word**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*The People say together*

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

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And also with you.  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*All may be seated.*

## **The First Lesson: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a**

When the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you."

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

## **The Psalm: 89:20-37**

*The psalm is sung by the choir.*

- 20 I have found David my servant; \*  
    with my holy oil have I anointed him.  
21 My hand will hold him fast \*  
    and my arm will make him strong.  
22 No enemy shall deceive him, \*  
    nor any wicked man bring him down.  
23 I will crush his foes before him \*  
    and strike down those who hate him.  
24 My faithfulness and love shall be with him, \*  
    and he shall be victorious through my Name.  
25 I shall make his dominion extend \*  
    from the Great Sea to the River.  
26 He will say to me, 'You are my Father, \*  
    my God, and the rock of my salvation.'  
27 I will make him my firstborn \*  
    and higher than the kings of the earth.  
28 I will keep my love for him for ever, \*

and my covenant will stand firm for him.  
 29 I will establish his line for ever \*  
 and his throne as the days of heaven."  
 30 "If his children forsake my law \*  
 and do not walk according to my judgments;  
 31 If they break my statutes \*  
 and do not keep my commandments;  
 32 I will punish their transgressions with a rod \*  
 and their iniquities with the lash;  
 33 But I will not take my love from him, \*  
 nor let my faithfulness prove false.  
 34 I will not break my covenant, \*  
 nor change what has gone out of my lips.  
 35 Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: \*  
 'I will not lie to David.  
 36 His line shall endure for ever \*  
 and his throne as the sun before me;  
 37 It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon, \*  
 the abiding witness in the sky.' "

**The Second Reading: Ephesians 2:11-22**

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision” —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*             Thanks be to God.

**The Sequence Hymn**

*Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless*  
 Hymnal 343

**The Holy Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56**

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

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

*Celebrant*     The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*         Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### **The Sermon**

The Rev. Hazel Smith Glover

### **The Nicene Creed**

BCP 358

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.

### **The Prayers of the People — Form VI**

*Intercessor*     In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

*Intercessor*     For all people in their daily life and work;  
*People*             For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

*Intercessor*     For this community, the nation, and the world;  
*People*             For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

*Intercessor* For the just and proper use of your creation;  
*People* For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

*Intercessor* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
*People* For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

*Intercessor* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
*People* For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

*Intercessor* For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Robert, Don, and Paul, our Bishops; and  
for all bishops and other ministers;  
*People* For all who serve God in his Church.

*Intercessor* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for those on our  
prayer list, especially: Steven.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions*

*Intercessor* Hear us, Lord;  
*People* For your mercy is great.

*Intercessor* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for those  
who celebrate birthdays this week, especially: Rowan, Emily, Tony, Jane, Dianne,  
John, Joan, Beth, Nancey, Tallis, Sally.

*Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.*

*Intercessor* We will exalt you, O God our King;  
*People* And praise your Name for ever and ever.

*Intercessor* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal  
kingdom.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions*

*Intercessor* Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
*People* Who put their trust in you.

*Intercessor* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and  
unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and  
serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our  
Lord. *Amen.*

*Celebrant*

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 Peace**

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

### **Blessings and Thanksgivings**

#### **The Holy Communion**

#### **The Offertory**

#### **The Presentation Hymn**

*Dear Lord and Father of mankind*  
Hymnal 653

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer B  
BCP 367

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### **The Sanctus**

Hymnal S 125

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed Paul all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



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

*People and Celebrant*

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.

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence is kept.*

### **The Fraction Anthem**

Hymnal S 154

*Healing Intercessors are available in the chapel for prayer during communion.*

### **The Communion Hymn**

*Savior, again to thy dear name we raise*  
Hymnal 435

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

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 Closing Hymn**

*Savior, like a shepherd lead us*  
Hymnal 708

## **The Dismissal**

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### ***Remember in your prayers:***

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: Roxanne Wallis, Malcolm Velasca, Kiran Force, Alice Magnan, Annie Bulford, Margaret Crary, Trina Hall, Tyler Chapman, Anna Endres, Kimberly Leitch, Candy Waldron, Kirk Goodell, Bo Warren, Brittany Jones, Ralph Hajosy, Jeff Lawhead, Billy Newman, Joan Kelley.

We pray for those with timely concerns: Brink Howard, AJ Doughtie, Rena McMichael, Michael Coxand, Dustin Brown, Connie Flanagan, Ernie Williams, Daryl Jones, Mandy Screven, Steven Stellen.

We pray for the members of the Vestry: Jennifer, Nicole, Philip, Frankey, Mark, Geoff, Renee, Heather, Virginia, Jennifer; the Clergy and Staff: Hazel, Mason, Dawn, Elisabeth, Mary Margaret, Kimberly, Cole.

We pray for members of our armed services and their families: Phil Kearney, Kevin Bradley, Joe Clay, Tom Choate, Linda Boyce, Dariel Johnson, Sean McGraw, Steven Puckett, Bill Tudor, Jr., Scott Woodward, Luke White, Tommy White, Zach Simkins, Jacob Britt, Morgen Davis, Luke Eason, Michael Rafferty, David Norwood, Arron Essex, Adam Harrison, Sam Vermilyea, Charles Mathews, Cameron Everett, Lanier Sealy, Beau Massenburg.

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week: Rowan Mattera, Emily Benjamin, Tony King, Jane Murdock, Dianne Teer, John Tucker, Joan Kelley, Beth McAllister, Nancey Green Leigh, Tallis Weida, Sally Wood.

### ***Parish Notices***

**Homecoming Sunday!** -- Our Homecoming Sunday is August 15th. Mark your calendars and plan to be here! So that we may all worship together, there will be one service only, at 10:30.

**Acolyte Training** -- Training for new and returning acolytes will take place on August 29 following the 10:30 service.

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