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THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 26, 2020

Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11:00 a.m.

Our worship is according to *The Book of Common Prayer*. This leaflet contains everything you will need to participate actively.

PRELUDE

Petit Prélude

Joseph Jongen

INTROIT

*Traditional English
adapt. Vaughan Williams*

The golden sun lights up the sky, imparting vigor to the day.
Amid our customary round, we offer you our prayer and praise.

O God, creation's ruling force, O Jesus, crucified for us,
O Spirit, love's life-giving ray, we praise and bless you every hour.

All stand.

HYMN 388

tune: Hanover

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!
 2 O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!
 3 The earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,
 4 Thy boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite?
 5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

1 O grate - ful - ly sing his power and his love!
 2 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.
 3 Al - might - y, thy power hath found - ed of old,
 4 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
 5 in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;

1 Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 2 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
 3 hath stab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 4 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,
 5 thy mer - cies, how ten - der! how firm to the end!

1 pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.
 2 and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
 3 and round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 4 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
 5 Our Ma - ker, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!

OPENING SENTENCES

Officiant: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Let the words of our mouths, and the meditation of our hearts, be always acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

All kneel or sit. Silence may be kept.

All: **Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

Officiant: The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER *All stand.*

Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia.**

VENITE (sung by all)

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An antiphon may be sung before and after this setting.



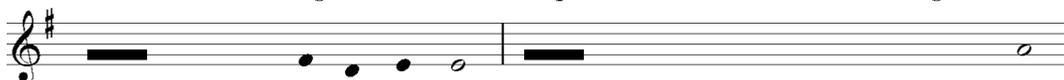
1. O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our



sal - va - tion. 2. Let us come before his presence with thanks - giv - ing,



and show ourselves glad in him with psalms. 3. For the Lord is a great God,



and a great King a - bove all gods. 4. In his hand are all the corners of the earth,



and the strength of the hills is his al - so. 5. The sea is his and he made it,



and his hands prepared the dry land. 6. O come, let us worship and fall down



and kneel before the Lord our Ma - ker. 7. For he is the Lord our God,



and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. 8. O worship



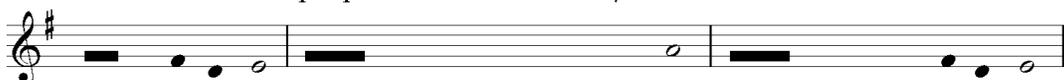
the Lord in the beauty of ho - li - ness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him.



9. For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, and with righteousness to judge
(Gloria Patri may be added)



the world and the peoples with his truth. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to



the Ho - ly Spi - rit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

PSALM 119:129-136 (read responsively)

- 129 Your decrees are wonderful;
therefore I obey them with all my heart.
- 130 When your word goes forth it gives light;
it gives understanding to the simple.**
- 131 I open my mouth and pant;
I long for your commandments.
- 132 Turn to me in mercy,
as you always do to those who love your Name.**
- 133 Steady my footsteps in your word;
let no iniquity have dominion over me.
- 134 Rescue me from those who oppress me,
and I will keep your commandments.**
- 135 Let your countenance shine upon your servant
and teach me your statutes.
- 136 My eyes shed streams of tears,
because people do not keep your law.**

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: Romans 8:26-39 *All sit.*

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

BENEDICTUS ES, DOMINE (sung by the soloist)

Thomas Morley

SECOND LESSON: Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.

HYMN 447 *All stand.*

tune: St. Magnus

1 The Christ who died but rose a - gain tri - um - phant from the grave,
 2 What now can sep - a - rate us from the love of Christ our Lord?
 3 The trou - bles that are ours to bear are trials we can - not flee;
 4 Thus noth - ing in the heights or depths, no power earth can af - ford,

now pleads our cause at God's right hand all - pow - er - ful to save.
 Can per - se - cu - tion, na - ked - ness, or per - il, or the sword?
 yet he who loved us from the first en - sures our vic - to - ry.
 will sep - a - rate us from the love of Je - sus Christ our Lord.

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SERMON

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser

APOSTLES' CREED *All stand.*

All: **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth;
 And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, dead and buried.
 He descended into hell.
 The third day he rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of God
 the Father almighty.
 From thence he shall come to judge
 the quick and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

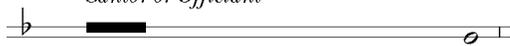
Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

All kneel or sit.

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.**

Cantor or Officiant

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People

R. And grant us thy salva-tion.



V. Endue thy ministers with right-eous-ness;



R. And make thy chosen people joy-ful.



V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;



R. For only in thee can we live in safe-ty.



V. Lord, keep this nation un-der thy care;



R. And guide us in the way of jus-tice and truth.



V. Let thy way be known up-on earth;



R. Thy saving health among all na-tions.



V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgot-ten;



R. Nor the hope of the poor be ta-ken a-way.



V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;



R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spi-rit.

THE COLLECTS

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

O God, the King eternal, who dividest the day from the night and turnest the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep thy law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done thy will with cheerfulness while it was day, we may, when night cometh, rejoice to give thee thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Father of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need: We pray for all those who are sick, suffering, or in any kind of trouble. We continue to lift up all those affected by the coronavirus both here and abroad, and we remember those on our parish prayer list: Augustine, Tom, Leonor, Lou, Margery, Harris, Veronica, Steven, Stacey, Ryan, Liz, Maya, Carla, Frank, Al, Jim, Joan, Roger, Cherri, Andrea, Nadia, Shagdar, Mihail, Padmini, Joe, Tony and Macy; and those we name now in silence or aloud. Grant that they may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in thy loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eternal God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son, Christ our Lord: We pray for the faithful departed, especially John Lewis. Grant that they may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

All: **Almighty God, Father of all mercies;
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all people.
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we may show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

THE GRACE

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

THE PEACE *All stand.*

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

Each week, an offering is collected as a symbol of our life and labor and to support the work of the church. To make a one-time or recurring gift online, please visit www.churchoftheincarnation.org. Thank you for your generosity.

SOLO

from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn

Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel;
this day let it be known that thou art God and I am thy servant!
O show to all this people that I have done these things according to thy word!
O hear me, Lord, and answer me;
and show this people that thou art Lord God;
and let their hearts again be turned!

HYMN 380 (stanza 3) *All stand.*

tune: Old 100th

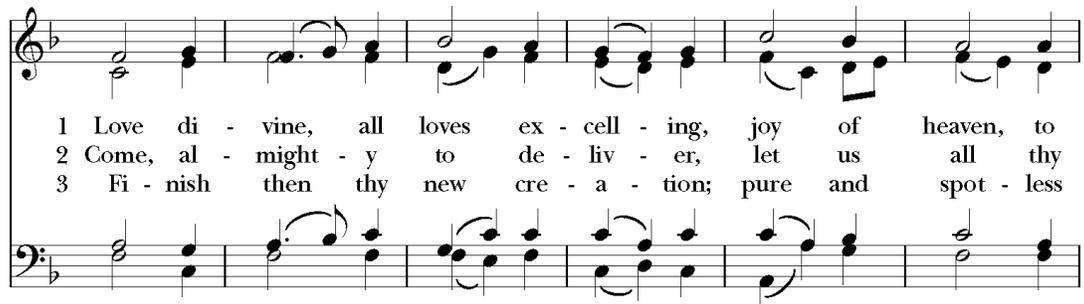
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

BLESSING

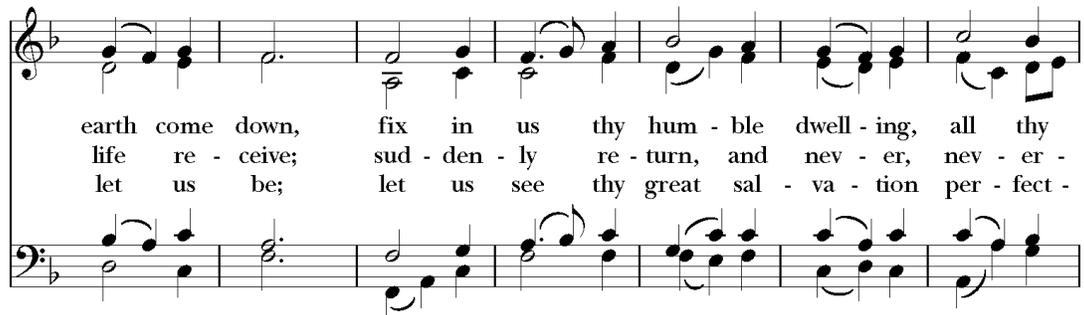
Officiant: The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN 657 *All stand.*

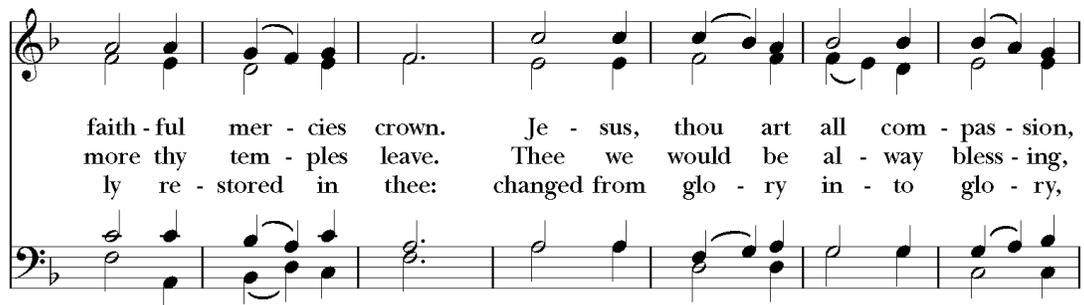
tune: Hyfrydol



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less



earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

DISMISSAL

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Sonata II: Allegro maestoso vivace

Mendelssohn

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser, *Interim Priest in Charge*
The Rev. Richard S.J. Pike, *Interim Associate*
David Ralph, *Interim Director of Music*
Dr. Uche Akwuba II, *Master of Ceremonies*
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