

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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St. John's Episcopal Church, Ithaca NY

August 28, 2022 Year C

10:00 AM

* Indicates please stand

Prelude Prelude on a Theme of Orlando Gibbons (Song 34, "Angels Song"), Op. 105, No 1
Charles V. Stanford (1852–1924)

***Processional Hymn** Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord (Woodlands) **Hymnal #438**

***Opening Acclamation** **BCP 355**

***Collect For Purity**

***Gloria** **Hymnal #S279**

The Collect of the Day

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.*

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 2:4-13

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord:

What wrong did your ancestors find in
me
that they went far from me,
and went after worthless things, and
became
worthless themselves?
They did not say, "Where is the Lord
who brought us up from the land of
Egypt,
who led us in the wilderness,
in a land of deserts and pits,
in a land of drought and deep darkness,
in a land that no one passes
through,
where no one lives?"

I brought you into a plentiful land
to eat its fruits and its good things.
But when you entered you defiled my
land,
and made my heritage an
abomination.
The priests did not say, "Where is
the Lord?"
Those who handle the law did not
know me;
the rulers transgressed against me;
the prophets prophesied by Baal,
and went after things that do not
profit.
Therefore once more I accuse you, says
the Lord,

and I accuse your children's
children.

Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,
send to Kedar and examine with
care;
see if there has ever been such a
thing.

Has a nation changed its gods,
even though they are no gods?

But my people have changed their glory
for something that does not profit.

Be appalled, O heavens, at this,
be shocked, be utterly desolate,

says the Lord,

for my people have committed two evils:
they have forsaken me,
the fountain of living water,
and dug out cisterns for
themselves,
cracked cisterns
that can hold no water.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 81:1, 10–16

Exultate Deo

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength *
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 10 I am the Lord your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, *
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
- 11 And yet my people did not hear my voice, *
and Israel would not obey me.
- 12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, *
to follow their own devices.
- 13 Oh, that my people would listen to me! *
that Israel would walk in my ways!
- 14 I should soon subdue their enemies *
and turn my hand against their foes.
- 15 Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him, *
and their punishment would last forever.
- 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat *
and satisfy him with honey from the rock.

The Epistle Reading

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

***The Gospel Reading**

Luke 14:1, 7-14

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Megan Castellan

***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
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**

Giver of all good things, we offer our prayers in gratitude for your gifts as we respond, "Hear our prayer."

+ God of all goodness, help us follow where you have led the way, drinking from your living waters, and sharing in your sacrificial love; Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

+ For N., our Presiding Bishop, and all who serve the Church in ordained ministry, that they may proclaim the gospel with humility, and bear witness to earthly simplicity and spiritual riches; Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

+ For the grace to unite our lives with the prisoner, the outcast, addicts and transients, knowing that regardless of one's station in life, God's love is without distinction; Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

+ For healing for the sick, and guidance and patience for those who care for those in hospitals, at home, in nursing homes, or temporary care shelters; Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

+ In thanksgiving for the younger members of our congregation, and especially those who are participating in Sunday school, choir, youth group, and the worship of the Church; Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

+ In thanksgiving for those who extend the hand of hospitality, in church and home, in workplaces and schools; Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

May Jesus, who is the same yesterday, today and forever, and who holds the souls of all the faithful departed in his hands, guide our hearts as we continue our prayers, either silently or aloud.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, and especially for

Theodore	Dave	Park	Anne	Richard
Carol	Joan	Mark	Cece	Katie
Lorraine	Jean	Debra	Mark	Jason
John	Wes	Shirley	Jean	Michele
Lorraine	Sara	Janice	Lorraine	Cale
Edith	Linda	Louise	Charlie	
Stanley	Jonathan	Terry	Kathryn	

For those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week:

Hillary Dietz, Gordon Ryan, Paul Dietz, Taylor Saulsbury, Charlene Baker, Rubey Sanaker

Confession Of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.*

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

Please remain in your pew. Wave!

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements & Welcome

Offertory Sentence

Organ Interlude: Allegretto in F from *Sept Pièces en Fa*

Cesar Franck (1822–1890)

***Presentation Hymn** We the Lord's People (*Decatur Place*)

Hymnal #51

*The Great Thanksgiving

Expanded Language Prayer A

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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: *continuing:* 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:

Holy, holy, holy (*Sanctus*)

Hymnal #S125

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had fallen into sin and became 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 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 Christ.

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 Jesus Christ our Savior. 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 forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Fraction Anthem Lamb of God (*Agnus Dei*)

Hymnal #S161

The Communion of the People

All people are invited to the Lord's Table.

Eucharist will be distributed in the form of the bread with wine available for intincture.

Please come forward in a single line in the center aisle to receive.

Wait to remove your mask until you return to your seat, and then replace it after consuming the Sacrament.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request

Post Communion Prayer

*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.*

Blessing

***Recessional** All hail the power of Jesus' name (*Coronation*)

Hymnal #450 vs. 1–3

Dismissal

Postlude Sortie in F from *Sept Pièces en Fa*

Cesar Franck (1822–1890)

Liturgical Ministers: Beverly Way, Gwen Freeman, Margaret Johnson

Virtual Vergers Ben Dean, Mike Roman

This morning we welcome Guest Organist Mark A. Radice

St. John's extends a warm welcome to visitors!

May you experience the Lord's presence during worship. Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering plate and stay for coffee in the parish hall after the service.

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Hymns

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord (Woodlands) Hymnal #438

1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his word;
In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice

2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has
done;
His mercy sure, from age to age to same;
His holy Name--the Lord, the Mighty One

3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high

4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and for evermore!

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We the Lord's people (Decatur Place) Hymnal #51

We the Lord's people,
heart and voice uniting,
praise him who called us
out of sin and darkness
into his own light,
that he might anoint us
a royal priesthood.

This is the Lord's house,
home of all his people,
school for the faithful,
refuge for the sinner,
rest for the pilgrim,

haven for the weary;
all find a welcome.

This is the Lord's day,
day of God's own making,
day of creation,
day of resurrection,
day of the Spirit,
sign of heaven's banquet,
day for rejoicing.

In the Lord's service
bread and wine are offered,
that Christ may take them,
bless them, break and give them
to all his people,
his own life imparting,
food everlasting.

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All hail the power of Jesus' Name! (Coronation) Hymnal #450 vs. 1-3

1 All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!

2 Crown him ye martyrs of our God,
who from his altar call:
praise him whose way of pain ye trod,
and crown him Lord of all!
praise him whose way of pain ye trod,
and crown him Lord of all!

3 Hail him, the Heir of David's line,
whom David Lord did call,
the God incarnate, Man divine,
and crown him Lord of all!
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and crown him Lord of all!



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If you would like to contribute to our ministries, you may make a secure donation at <https://stjohnsithaca.org/donate/>. Thank you!

Sign up for our weekly newsletter The Fledgling by contacting the church office.

Please Join Us:

Coffee Hour has resumed in the Parish Hall following the service. Please continue to wear your mask when you are not actively eating or drinking.

Morning Prayer Monday–Thursay at 9:30 on Facebook and YouTube.

Forward Day by Day for **August, September, and October** is available on the table in the rear of the church.

Flowers: If you wish to give Sunday flowers in memory of a loved one, please call the church office (607-273-6532).

Reminder: Beginning 1 September, the service times will be **8 a.m.** and **10:30 a.m.**