

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 10
St. John's Episcopal Church, Ithaca NY
July 14, 2024 Year B
10:00 AM

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Prelude *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier*, BWV 731 J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

***Processional Hymn** Praise to the living God! (*Leoni*) **Hymnal #372**

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

***Collect For Purity**

***Gloria** **Hymnal #S-**

The Collect of the Day

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

2 Samuel 6:1–5, 12b–19

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.

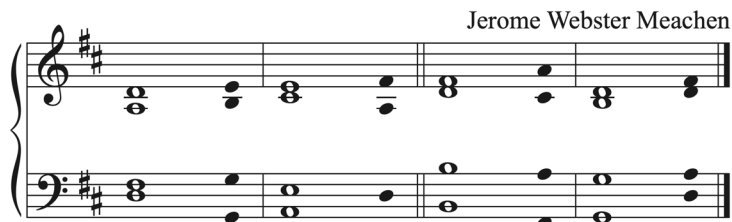
They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both

men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 24

Domini est terra



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| 1 The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,*
the world and all who dwell therein. | 6 Such is the generation of those who seek him,*
of those who seek your face, O God of
Jacob. |
| 2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the
deep. | 7 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors;*
and the King of glory shall come in. |
| 3 "Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? *
and who can stand in his holy place?" | 8 "Who is this King of glory?" *
"The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle." |
| 4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure
heart,*
who have not pledged themselves to
falsehood,
nor sworn by what is a fraud. | 9 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors;*
and the King of glory shall come in. |
| 5 They shall receive a blessing from the Lord *
and a just reward from the God of their
salvation." | 10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory." |

The Epistle Reading

Ephesians 1:3–14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

***Gradual**

Hymnal #

The Gospel Reading

Mark 6:14–29

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

Glory be to you, Lord Christ.

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus’ name had become known. Some were saying, “John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.” But others said, “It is Elijah.” And others said, “It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.” But when Herod heard of it, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.”

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother’s wife.” And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, “Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.” And he solemnly swore to her, “Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.” She went out and said to her mother, “What should I ask for?” She replied, “The head of John the baptizer.” Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, “I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.” The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John’s head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

***Sequence**

Hymnal #

The Sermon

The Rev. Kit Tobin

***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**

The blessing of forgiveness liberates the soul from darkness, and brings the light of truth into the world. Thankful for this gift, let us offer our prayers as we respond, "Lord, hear our prayer."

+ For those who are imprisoned and persecuted for their Christian faith, that they may be granted courage during their time of trial and that the hearts of their persecutors may soften; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ For Joseph, our President, and all who exercise leadership in the community of nations, that their commitment to mercy and truth may lead to righteousness and peace; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ For the Church, adopted sons and daughters of our beloved Jesus, that we may provide places of welcome for those who seek an authentic spiritual life, and who desire to work toward the promises of God's kingdom; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ For those in jails and prisons, that they may be given the patience to persevere and preserve relationships with friends and family; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ For the sick and elderly in hospitals, or nursing facilities, that they may receive respectful and loving care from those who attend to their needs; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ For the dying and the departed, especially Richard Strauss, that they may have rest eternal; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leaving ill will and discontent behind, and offering praise for all God's enduring charity, let us continue our prayers.

Dear Lord, Almighty God, we pray for all indigenous children who were in residential and boarding schools in Canada and the United States. Some died there; we ask that you give assurance to their descendants that their souls are with you and their ancestors. Some survived there; we ask that you

give your healing grace to all who endured hardship while there and are still struggling with those memories. Lastly, we ask you to help us guard our children against harm in this world. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

For the special needs and concerns of our congregation, and especially for:

Joan	Gerald	Avery	Susan	Lisa	Cheryl
Charles	Cece	Nathan	Jeff	Ira	Isabella
Wes	Theodore	Jane	Mary Beth	Jan	Shawn
Virginia	Lorraine	Chris	Jack	Nick	Rebekah
Shirley	Edith	Carole	Julianne	Penny	Libby
Linda	Kathryn	Amelia	Chavon	Ann	
Jim	Sarah	Michael	Jack	David	

For those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week:

Vaughn Behn, Susan Ettinger, Bridget Wicker, Laurel Wicker, Skye Steuteville,
Constance Stirling-Engman, Linda Piskorowski

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

Anthem Oh Thou joy of loving hearts

Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548–1611)

***Presentation Hymn** There's a wideness in God's mercy (*Beecher*)

Hymnal #470

*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 #S-

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 #S-

The Communion of the People

*All people are invited to the Lord's Table.
Eucharist will be distributed in the center aisle. Please come forward in a single line to receive.
You may either intinct your wafer or you may drink from the common chalice after consuming the wafer.
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

Communion Music

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** Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates (*Truro*)

Hymnal #436

Dismissal

Postlude Chaconne in C Major, BuxWV 137

Dieterich Buxtehude (1637–1707)

Crucifer: Alan Mata

Acolyte: Amber Massa

Liturgical Ministers: Kang Meng, Michael Roman, Stephanie Nevels

Virtual Vergers John Jackson, Virginia McGhee

This morning we welcome The Rev. Kit Tobin as our celebrant and guest preacher.

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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Please Join Us:

Coffee Hour is in the Parish Hall following the service. Masks are optional when you are not actively eating or drinking.

Forward Day by Day for **May, June, and July** is available on the table in the rear of the church.

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