

# THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION SEPTEMBER 15, 2024, 10:30 A.M.



# Welcome to Grace Episcopal Cathedral!

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# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**PRELUDE:**: Improvisation on JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT Donald Livingston (b. 1964)

PROCESSION HYMN 477: All Praise to Thee ENGLEBERG

The service begins on page 355 in the red Book of Common Prayer.

**ACCLAMATION** *Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

## **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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 S280 Robert Powell (b. 1932)

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Congregation is seated.

# THE FIRST READING: Proverbs 1:20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster."

After the reading, Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 19 BCP 606 Qui confidunt

Sung by the Cathedral Choir

THE SECOND READING: James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

After the reading, Thanks be to God.

HYMN 629: We Limit Not the Truth of God

HALIFAX

THE GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-38

Before the Gospel, Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

After the Gospel, Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## THE SERMON

**THE NICENE CREED** BCP 358 Standing as able.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray to God, who knows the desires of our hearts.

Lord God, give your church power to proclaim the good news – that in Jesus Christ you have come near, with strength to save us from the folly of our sins. We remember our people, our leaders, and all clergy. We pray especially for St. John's Church, Abilene; and St. Peter's Church, Helena Montana. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Be with the people of this land, and of every nation, as we move toward your vision for us. Remember and help the elected and appointed leaders of this country. Bless us with a peaceable time of election in the days come. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray today for those around the world impacted by war, poverty, disease, or any threat to existence. Remember the lives of those effected by Hurricane Francine. Help us do what we must to live in balance and peace with the planet. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Make your healing presence known to those you love, especially those for whom we have been asked to pray: Kay, Kitty, Janet, Arceile, Cathy, Bob, Judy, and Kathy. May they, and all for whom we care, know the power of your love. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Remain with those who have gone before us, and all who mourn the dead. Today we remember, with flowers, Charles Baer, Patricia Shinn, David Starr, Willard Garhart, Dorothy Miller. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Finally, we commend to your love all that weighs upon us ...

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## **CONFESSION OF SIN, BCP 360**

**THE PEACE** Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** Congregation is seated.

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE:** Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make your vow to the Most High.

**OFFERTORY:** Be Ye Followers of God Leo Sowerby (1885-1968)

The Cathedral Choir

Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;
And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us
an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savior.
Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.
Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand
in the evil day and having done all, to stand.

Presentation Hymn: The Doxology (standing as able)

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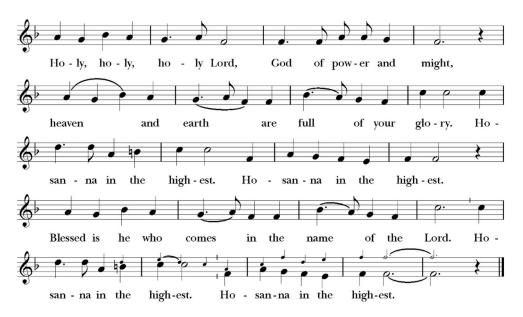
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP 361, Standing as able.

# THE SANCTUS S125

Richard Proulx (1937-2010)



# THE LORD'S PRAYER, BCP 364



All are welcome! Communion is available at the altar rail or at the crossing. To receive a blessing from the priest, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Signal a server if you need to remain in your pew but wish to partake. After receiving communion, Prayer Ministers will be in St. Mary's Chapel for private prayer.

## COMMUNION

Please stand as you are able.

Postcommunion Hymn 313: Let the Blood in Mercy Poured

JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

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

PROCESSION HYMN 484: Praise the Lord Through Every Nation

**WACHET AUF** 

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Improvisation on WACHET AUF

Emma Lou Diemer (1927-2024)

To learn about the music or liturgy of this service click on this code:



## **MINISTERS TODAY**

**Celebrant/Preacher:** The Very Reverend Torey Lightcap, *Dean* 

**Deacon:** The Reverend Carl Edwards

**Vergers:** Kent Wingerson, George Webb **Ushers:** Team 3, Mark Quintana, *Capt.* **Acolytes:** Team 2, Max McKibben, *Capt.* **Organist:** Dr. Donald Livingston

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Lynne Horne, **Choirmaster:** Dr. Eduardo García-Novelli

Ruth Ellen Saiya, Sam Todwong Associate Choirmaster: Zachary Cope

Lector: Larry Wolgast

Altar Guild: Group D, Tami Smith, Capt.

Sound/Lights: Adrian Horne
Livestream: Tom Harrington

## **CATHEDRAL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Adult Forum in September:

September 22 & 29: Wine and Religion with Dean Lightcap The Adult Forum will meet at 9:30 a.m. in All Saints Hall.

# Cathedral Choirs schedule fall rehearsals — All are welcome!

• Cathedral Choir: Thursdays at 7 p.m. Contact Dr. Eduardo García-Novelli — Handbell Choir: Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. Contact Dr. Donald Livingston — egarcianovelli@gracecathedraltopeka.org; dlivingston@gracecathedraltopeka.org

**Justice Ministry at Grace:** Our Justice Ministry's new year begins in late September — focusing this year on affordable housing, homelessness, and violence reduction. You are invited to attend **one** of three listening sessions where we will:

- Listen to your concerns for yourself, your loved ones and those in our community;
- Hear about how the justice ministry gives you a voice and an action plan to work toward solving problems here in Shawnee County;
- Be reminded why our justice work is so important and progress depends on your involvement.

Choose a date and let us know you will attend: Tues., Sept 24, 5 - 7 p.m.; Sun., Sept 29, Noon - 2 p.m.; or Wed., Oct. 2, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Melissa Weikel 785-215-0501 or Linda Gallaway 785-230-2460.

**World Communion Sunday:** On **October 6,** we will gather at Evergy Plaza in downtown Topeka for the third annual celebration of World Communion Sunday starting at 10:30. In many churches across the globe, the first Sunday in October marks efforts by Christians to unify across differences of denomination. We join our Episcopal tradition that day with First Presbyterian Church of Topeka, Topeka First United Methodist, and St. John AME Church. It should be a great time.

Can't make it? There will be a spoken service of Holy Eucharist at 8:30 on October 6 at the Cathedral.

The Order of the Daughters of the King delivers flowers each week to our homebound, ill, people from the Parish for their ministries and those on our prayer list. The flowers are taken from the Altar flowers on Monday and made up into two arrangements that we deliver each week to two households.

Volunteers deliver once a month on Monday. We need one volunteer from the Parish to deliver the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. Jan Buckley arranges the flowers and they are in the flower sacristy. There are carriers for each bouquet, for ease of transportation.

A list is made up and we deliver to two parishioners who live at least in the same area of town so no one is driving all over the city. Bringing a friend is helpful with delivery and navigation (and more fun!)

Please contact Jan Buckley (<u>jbuckley1003@yahoo.com</u>) or Jackie Sommers (<u>jdrsommers@gmail.com</u>) if you are interested. Our phone numbers can also be found in the Parish directory.

In the interest of creating a peaceful and prayerful space for worship, at five minutes before worship begins, or just before the prelude, a bell will ring. This is the signal to refrain from conversation so that you and others may prepare for worship through prayer, meditation and thoughtful silence.

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) = red book Hymnal = blue book

We'd love to connect with you. Please fill out a visitor information card from the pew rack and drop it in the collection box on your way out today.

Sound equipment for the hearing-impaired is available. Inquire with an usher.

Restrooms are located in the hallway to the west. Next to the nursery you will find a family restroom with a changing table.

A staffed nursery is available today, down the hallway to your right. You can ask an usher to assist you.

Connect with us and learn more about who we are at www.gracecathedraltopeka.org.

To make a gift, visit <a href="www.GiveToGrace.org">www.GiveToGrace.org</a>.

Special Note: Please be aware that this service will be live-streamed on YouTube and Facebook.

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