



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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**THE SEVENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

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Celebrant and Homilist*

**HOLY EUCHARIST
10:00 A.M. SERVICE
JULY 11, 2021**

Processional

Praise to the Living God

Hymn 372

1. Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name who was, and is, and
is to be, for ay the same. The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap -
pears: the first, the last, be - yond all - thought his - time - less years!
4. E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul; his love shall be our
strength and stay while a - ges roll. Praise to the liv - ing God! All
prais - ed be his Name who was, and is, and is to - be, for ay the same.

Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

The Celebrant says

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Celebrant says

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 following is sung.

Gloria

Glory to God

Hymnal S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his people on earth. 2.Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and
 Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
 3.Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4.you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; 5.you are seat - ed at the
 right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6.For you a - lone are the
 Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, 7.you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men

Collect of the Day

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

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.

First Reading

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

A Reading from Second Samuel.

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 fattening. 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.

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

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 24

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

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14

A Reading from Ephesians.

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.

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

1. Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri-bute bring; ran-somed,
 healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais-es sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King. 2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his
 peo - ple in dis - tress; praise him still, the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness. 4. An - gels, help us to a -
 dore him; ye be - hold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers
 all in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Gospel

Mark 6:14-29

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

People

Glory 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.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Rev. Dr. Cathy Deats

san-na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the name__ of the
 Lord. Ho san - na in the high - est, Ho - san-na in the high-est._____

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Celebrant then continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Paul, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

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

Lord's Prayer

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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.

Breaking of the Bread

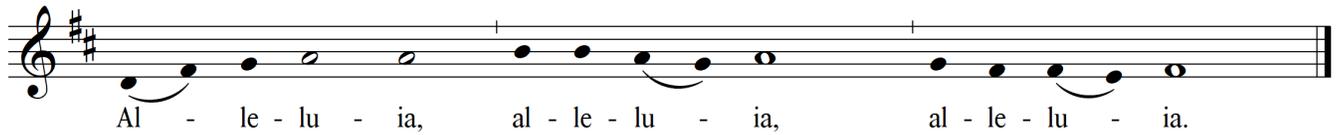
A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Christ Our Passover

Hymnal S 154

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ our Pass-o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep___ the feast.



Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

If you are at home or otherwise unable to take communion, you may say the following prayer.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Final Prayer

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food as we hear your Word proclaimed and gather at your holy Table. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Hymn 518



Dismissal

Deacon

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude

Joanna Li, organist

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