

The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost



August 15, 2021

**THE CHURCH OF
THE HOLY TRINITY**
RITTENHOUSE SQUARE



Wide Open Doors Wide Open Hearts

Gentle Reminders for our Guests today:

As a community in Christ, we are called to work together to create an inclusive worship experience that is **safe for everyone** – ourselves, our neighbors, and our loved ones.



As a gentle reminder, **please wear your masks at all times over your mouth and nose** when inside of the Church and its adjoining property. We ask that you gently remind your neighbors to do the same when necessary.

During **the Peace**, we invite you to connect with your neighbors by waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist or elbow bumps. Please be sure that your neighbor is comfortable with physical connections before offering that kind of peace.



Children are welcome to join us for worship services today – all family members should sit together in the same pew. We do not mind little voices and noises that children naturally make, so don't worry if they are not sitting perfectly still and silent! That's not normal!

Offering: We will not be passing a plate today. You can give to the church by dropping your envelope or money in the plate located near the table with the bulletins. You can also text **CHT DONATE to 73256** or use the Realm app on your phone.



Sunday Morning Prayer

PLEASE NOTE: while our Rectors are away, members of the parish will be leading Morning Prayer. The sermons that will be read are from the Episcopal Church series "Sermons that Work"

Prelude: Aria
Glenn Rodgers, Guest Organist

John S. Dixon

Opening Hymn *When in our music God is Glorified,* **Hymnal 420**
Engelberg



1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, _____
 2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found _____
 3 So has the Church, in lit - ur - gy and song, _____
 4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night _____
 5 Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise! _____



1 and a - dor - a - tion leaves no room for pride, _____
 2 a new di - men - sion in the world of sound, _____
 3 in faith and love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, _____
 4 when ut - most e - vil strove a - gainst the Light? _____
 5 Let all re - joice who have a voice to raise! _____



1 it is as though the whole cre - a - tion cried _____
 2 as wor - ship moved us to a more pro - found _____
 3 borne wit - ness to the truth in ev - ery tongue, _____
 4 Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight, _____
 5 And may God give us faith to sing al - ways _____



— Al - le - lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

The Opening Sentence

Leader Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. Psalm 19:14

Confession of Sin

Leader Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All **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.**

Leader Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.
Amen.

The Invitatory and Psalter

Leader Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your 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 for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

Invitatory: Jubilate

Peter Hurford



The earth_ is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us a - dore him.



- 1 Be joyful in the Lord, / all you / lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his / presence / with a / song.
- 2 Know this: The Lord him/self is / God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his / people and the / sheep of his / pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his / courts with / praise; *
give thanks to him and / call u/pon his Name.
- 4 For the Lord is good;
his mercy is / ever/lasting; *
and his faithfulness en/dures from / age to / age.



The earth_ is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us a - dore him.

Then follows



- 9 Fear the LORD, you that / are his / saints, *
for / those who / fear him lack / nothing.
- 10 The young lions lack and / suffer / hunger, *
but those who seek the LORD lack / nothing / that is / good.
- 11 Come, children, and / listen to / me; *
I will / teach you the / fear of the / LORD.
- 12 Who among / you loves / life *
and desires long / life to en/joy prosperity?
- 13 Keep your tongue from / evil-/speaking *
and your / lips from / lying / words.
- 14 Turn from evil and / dō / good; *
seek / peäce / and pur/sue it.

Glory to the Father, and / to the / Son, *
and / to the / Holy / Spirit:
As it was in the be/ginning, is / now, *
and / will be for/ever. A/men.

The Readings

The First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

Reader: A reading from First Kings

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her servant-girls, she

calls from the highest places in the town, "You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

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

Canticle 9 The First Song of Isaiah

Thomas Merton



1 Sure - ly it is God — who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not
2 Make his deeds — known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed



fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his



help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with



va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the



liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

The Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20

Reader: A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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All **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 18 A Song to the Lamb

Frank W. Boles



Descant (Soprano/Tenor)

3. To the Al - mighty - y, throned in heav'n-ly

1. Splen - dor and hon - or, ma - jes - ty and pow - er,
2. Praised be the true Lamb, slain for our re - demp - tion,
3. To the Al - mighty - y, throned in heav'n - ly splen - dor,

splen - dor, and to the Sav - ior, Christ our Lamb

are yours, O Lord God, fount of ev - ery bless - ing,
by whose self - off'r - ing we are made God's peo - ple:
and to the Sav - ior, Christ our Lamb and Shep - herd,

Shep - herd, praise, and glo - ry gi - ven,

for by your bid - ding was the whole cre - a - tion
a priest - ly king - dom, from all tongues and na - tions,
be a - dor - a - tion, praise, and glo - ry gi - ven,

1. 2.

now and for e -

called in - to be - ing.
called to God's ser - vice.
now and for e -

3.

ver. Ah

ver.

The Gospel Reading: John 6:51-58

Reader: A Reading from the Gospel of John.

Jesus said, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from

heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died.
But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

Reader The Gospel of the Lord
All **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon “Eternal Life” by The Rev. Bertie Pearson

The Apostles' Creed

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living 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

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

The Lord's Prayer

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.**

Suffrages A

Leader Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People. **And grant us your salvation.**

Leader. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People. **Let your people sing with joy.**

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

People. **For only in you can we live in safety.**

Leader. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Leader. Let your way be known upon earth;

People. **Your saving health among all nations.**

Leader. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Leader. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

The Collect of the Day

Leader Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Collect for Guidance

Leader Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Grace

Leader Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

All **My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.** (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

The Peace

Leader The Peace of the Lord be always with you

People **And also with you.**

You are invited to connect with your neighbors by waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist or elbow bumps. Please be sure that your neighbor is comfortable with any physical connections before offering that kind of peace.

Offertory / Parish Notices

Morning Prayer led by parishioners continues each week day at 9:00 am on Facebook.

Candlelight Compline will not be held on July 28, August 4, 11, and 18. It will return on August 25.

Join us in each Sunday after church in Rittenhouse Square for BYO Coffee Hour.

A special thank you to Sally Griffith for leading us in Morning Prayer while the Gardners are away.

Offertory Sentence

Leader

*“I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.”
(Romans 12:1-2)*

Sing to the Lord a new song, sing to the Lord all the earth. Sing to the Lord and bless his name. Announce from day to day his salvation. Announce among the nations his glory, among all the peoples his wonders.

Prayers

Leader O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Leader: God of love, we pray for your church. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and Daniel, the Bishop of Pennsylvania;

People: God of love, hear our prayers for the church.

Leader: God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: Unite the human family in bonds of love.

People: God of freedom, hear our prayers for the world.

Leader: God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care:

People: God of justice, hear our prayers for the earth.

Leader: God of peace, we pray for this community: Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people, beginning here at home.

People: God of peace, hear our prayers for this community.

Leader: God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, especially: Beth, Devon, Jerry's Family, Jim, Michael, Kyle, the Vicker Family, David, Mark, Michael, the Smith Family, Rebecca's family, Mary's family, Grandma Moon, Roy, James, the Carambo Family, Vincent, the Ayrey Family, the Cohen Family, the Phillips Family, Grace, Scott, Jeff, Eddie, Alexandra, The Loffer Family, Edwina, The Spencer Family, Kara, Megan, and Leonard.

People: God of mercy, hear our prayers for all who are in need.

Concluding Collect

Leader Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving

All **Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

Leader Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Sentence

Leader May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
Romans 15:13

Closing Hymn

*Come, O come, our voices raise,
Sonne der Gerechtigkeit*

Hymnal 430



1 Come, O come, our voices raise, sound - ing
2 Sound the trumpet, touch the lute, let no
3 Come ye all be - fore his face, in this
4 Let, in praise of God, the sound run a
5 So this huge wide orb we see shall one
6 Thus our song shall o - ver - climb all the



1 God Al - might - y's praise; hith - er bring in
2 tongue nor string be mute, nor a voice - less
3 cho - rus take your place; and a - mid the
4 nev - er - end - ing round, that our songs of
5 choir, one tem - ple be; where in such a
6 bounds of space and time; come, then, come, our



1 one con - sent heart, and voice, and in - stru - ment. Al - le - lu - ia!
2 crea - ture found, that hath nei - ther note nor sound. Al - le - lu - ia!
3 mor - tal throng, be you mas - ters of the song. Al - le - lu - ia!
4 praise may be ev - er - last - ing, as is he. Al - le - lu - ia!
5 praise - ful tone we will sing what he hath done. Al - le - lu - ia!
6 voices raise, sound - ing God Al - might - y's praise. Al - le - lu - ia!

Postlude Little Fugue in E Minor

Johann Sebastian Bach

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