



## The Second Sunday after Pentecost

29 May AD 2016

11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

(The Rev.) Randy Lord-Wilkinson, *Rector*  
The Rev. Javier García Ocampo, *Spanish Language Missioner*  
Jerrold Tidwell, *Minister of Music*  
Diana Gustafson, *Seminarian*

*Welcome to Ascension!*

*For more information about our community, fill out a welcome card, found at either end of the pews, or take one of our welcome packets from the table under the monitor in the Narthex.*

*We meet for coffee, tea, and snacks in the Narthex after each service.*

*A Nursery for children up through age three is available all morning in the Main Building, Room 2.*

*Within the service, the people read the parts in bold print.*

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### Welcome and Announcements

**Gather 539**

**Gather Us In**

The Lord is here.  
**God's Spirit is with us.**  
Let us pray.

**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.**

### **Galatians 1:1-12**

From Paul, an apostle who is not sent from human authority or commissioned through human agency, but sent through Jesus Christ and God the Father who raised him from the dead; and from all the brothers and sisters with me. To the churches in Galatia. Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. He gave himself for our sins, so he could deliver us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father. To God be the glory forever and always! Amen. I'm amazed that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you by the grace of Christ to follow another gospel. It's not really another gospel, but certain people are confusing you and they want to change the gospel of Christ. However, even if we ourselves or a heavenly angel should ever preach anything different from what we preached to you, they should be under a curse. I'm repeating what we've said before: if anyone preaches something different from what you received, they should be under a curse! Am I trying to win over human beings or God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I wouldn't be Christ's slave. Brothers and sisters, I want you to know that the gospel I preached isn't human in origin. I didn't receive it or learn it from a human. It came through a revelation from Jesus Christ.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Gather 585**

**Let Us Be Bread**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke [7:1-10]  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After Jesus finished presenting all his words among the people, he entered Capernaum. A centurion had a servant who was very important to him, but the servant was ill and about to die. When the centurion heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to Jesus to ask him to come and heal his servant. When they came to Jesus, they earnestly pleaded with Jesus. "He deserves to have you do this for him," they said. "He loves our people and he built our synagogue for us." Jesus went with them. He had almost reached the house when the centurion sent friends to say to Jesus, "Lord, don't be bothered. I don't deserve to have you come under my roof. In fact, I didn't even consider myself worthy to come to you. Just say the word and my servant will be healed. I'm also a man appointed under authority, with soldiers under me. I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes. I say to my servant, 'Do this,' and the servant does it." When Jesus heard these words, he was impressed with the centurion. He turned to the crowd following him and said, "I tell you, even in Israel I haven't found faith like this." When the centurion's friends returned to his house, they found the servant restored to health.

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

**Meditation**

(The Rev.) Randy Lord-Wilkinson

**The Affirmation of Faith\***

**You, O God, are supreme and holy,  
You create our world and give us life.  
Your purpose overarches everything we do.  
You have always been with us.  
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,  
Good beyond all measure.  
You came to us before we came to you.  
You have revealed and proved**

**Your love for us in Jesus Christ,  
Who lived and died and rose again.  
You are with us now.  
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.  
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.  
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.  
You are our God. We worship you.**

*\*From A New Zealand Prayer Book, p. 481*

**The Prayers of the People**

*Prayers are invited, either silently or aloud. After each spoken prayer, a gong will sound.*

### The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.

**God's Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

\*It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body.

Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

*Celebrant and People*

### Gather #168

### Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
 might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in

the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*As our Savior Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say:*

**Our Father in heaven,  
holy is your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

*As our Savior Christ has taught us,  
we now pray:*

**Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all.  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:  
The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!  
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples  
of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom  
sustain our hope and come on earth.  
With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.  
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,  
now and forever. Amen.**

*From A New Zealand Prayer Book, p. 181*

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, and a period of silence is kept.*

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**People:** We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

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

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given with these words*

**The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.**

**The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.**

*Administration of the Sacrament: All are welcome to the Lord's Table at Ascension. To receive communion, come to the communion station. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand. Eat the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you, or you may hold the bread and dip it into the wine when the cup is offered to you. Gluten-free wafers are also available. Make your need known to the Clergy by holding up three fingers. If you wish to receive a blessing rather than receive communion, please join in the movement to the communion station and cross your arms over the front of your chest - this will alert the Clergy of your desire to be blessed. If you need communion brought to you please let a member of the Welcome Team know.*

*Healing Prayers: If you would like to receive the laying on of hands for healing for yourself or another, go to the prayer annex to the right of the pulpit after receiving communion. A healing minister will be there to pray with you.*

Let us pray.

God of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in Jesus and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Amen.

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The Harvest of Justice

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

**PRAY FOR COMFORT, HEALING, COURAGE, AND HOPE:**

Rose Boynton, Carol Clark, Alvaro Gonzalez, Marguerite Johnson, Sarah Rubin, Nancy Snee, Janet Spencer, Lou Spencer, Fran Spina, and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

We pray for peace in the world and all who are serving our country here and abroad, especially those in harm's way, and their families.

Equip us and empower us to be witnesses to your love – as advocates and as servants, as ministers of welcome and of hope for refugees and all affected by natural disasters, violence, and war.

We pray for all special intentions, and those on our extended Healing Prayer List.

**THANKSGIVING:**

We give thanks for the lives of Rick Wilkinson and Lois Foxwell who died this past week.  
May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

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## Worship Leaders

		<b>This Week</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
<b>Reader:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Enid Cole	Leslie Sanya
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Susan Ahalt Gordon Donnelly	Diana Gustafson Suzyn Gonzalez
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Laura Shay	Karl Didavi
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Howard Holland	Pete Minderman
<b>Prayers:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Enid Cole	Leslie Sanya
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Carleton MacDonald	Barb Mansfield
<b>Chalicians:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Edna Leake Leslie Sanya	Wadai Dennis Sharon Hayden
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Swithin Kwamena-Poh Sari Stoddard	Nancy Carman Cynthia Perley
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Rimie Sicard Peg Ruppel	Diana Gustafson Anika Lalmansingh
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Howard Holland	Pete Minderman
<b>Healing Prayer Ministers:</b>			
	<b>7:45 am</b>	Janet King	Diana Gustafson
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Paul Whitmore	Major Clemens
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Peg Ruppel	Laura Shay
<b>Acolytes:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Ron Hayden Aidan Douglas Jackson Douglas	Raymond Chin Aidan Douglas Jackson Douglas
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Manny Johnson Msangwa Ogada Nuelle Johnson	Kofi Kwamena-Poh Kayleigh Yankie Sam Mendimasa
<b>Welcome Team:</b>			
	<b>7:45 am</b>	Wadai Dennis Frank Sanya	Florence Sirleaf Meredith Horan
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Esther Allotey-Taylor Bev Stennett Christine Kroma Josephine Clarke	Dorett Sutherland James Black Jonathan Black
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Pete Minderman Kendall Anderson	Avin Lalmansingh Clark Didavi
<b>Flower Delivery:</b>		Eliane Dunn-Johnson Alice Padmore	Esther Sawyer Adoma Baffoe
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Georgette Dennis	Enid Cole Mardia Dennis
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Sarah Gallagher Kristin FitzPatrick	Nancy Carman Cynthia Perley Liz Lennon
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Laura Shay Georgana Maines	Lynne Shaer Laura Shay
<b>Weekly Altar Guild Team:</b>		11:15 am Team	7:45 am Team
<b>Eucharistic Visitor:</b>		Jean Cohn	Meredith Horan Barb Mansfield

## LEADERSHIP AT ASCENSION

### *Clergy*

The Rev. Randy Lord-Wilkinson, *Rector*  
The Rev. Javier García Ocampo, *Spanish Language Missioner*

### *Seminarian*

Diana Gustafson

### *Musicians*

Jerrold Tidwell, *Minister of Music*  
Howard Hanson, *Musician, Service for Families with Small Children at 10:15 a.m.*  
Samuel Munguia, *Musician, Spanish Language Service at 11:00 a.m.*  
Eric O'Loughlin, *Musician, 5:00 p.m. Service*

### *Wardens*

Betsy Hasegawa, *Senior Warden*  
Janet King, *Junior Warden*

### *Vestry*

2017: Denise Lionetti, Najma Stubblefield, Paul Whitmore  
2018: Janet King, Avin Lalmansingh, Gary McLaughlin  
2019: Rose Buck, Zadinga Ogada, John Pruessner  
Sari Stoddard, *Clerk of the Vestry*  
Howard Holland, *Treasurer*

### *Mission Area Leaders*

Zadinga Ogada, *Christian Formation for Children*  
Angie Hight-Walker, *Christian Formation for Youth*  
Ted Bedell, *Facilities*  
Howard Holland, *Finance*  
Paul Boynton, *Outreach*  
Randy Lord-Wilkinson, *Pastoral Care*  
Jean Cohn, *Personnel*  
Carleton MacDonald, *Worship*

### *Delegates to Diocesan Convention*

Kristen Keating, Carleton MacDonald, Sue Snay  
Alternate: Mardia Dennis

### *Staff*

Kathy Van Arnum, *Office Coordinator*  
Pia Leaman, *Communications*  
Giséle Lachance, *Nursery Director*  
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