



The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

10 July 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*

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.

Welcome and Announcements

Gather 468

Bring Forth the Kingdom

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.

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

The Lord your God will help you succeed in everything you do—in your own fertility, your livestock's offspring, and your land's produce—everything will be great! Because the Lord will once again enjoy doing good things for you just as he enjoyed doing them for your ancestors, and because you will be obeying the Lord your God's voice, keeping his commandments and his regulations that are written in this Instruction scroll, and because you will have returned to the Lord your God with all your heart and all your being. This commandment that I'm giving you right now is definitely not too difficult for you. It isn't unreachable. It isn't up in heaven somewhere so that you have to ask, "Who will go up for us to heaven and get it for us that we can hear it and do it?" Nor is it across the ocean somewhere so that you have to ask, "Who will cross the ocean for us and get it for us that we can hear it and do it?" Not at all! The word is very close to you. It's in your mouth and in your heart, waiting for you to do it.

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

Thanks be to God.

Gather 510

The Summons

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke [10:25-37]

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

A legal expert stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to gain eternal life?" Jesus replied, "What is written in the Law? How do you interpret it?" He responded, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind,

and love your neighbor as yourself.” Jesus said to him, “You have answered correctly. Do this and you will live.” But the legal expert wanted to prove that he was right, so he said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied, “A man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He encountered thieves, who stripped him naked, beat him up, and left him near death. Now it just so happened that a priest was also going down the same road. When he saw the injured man, he crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. Likewise, a Levite came by that spot, saw the injured man, and crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. A Samaritan, who was on a journey, came to where the man was. But when he saw him, he was moved with compassion. The Samaritan went to him and bandaged his wounds, tending them with oil and wine. Then he placed the wounded man on his own donkey, took him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day, he took two full days’ worth of wages and gave them to the innkeeper. He said, ‘Take care of him, and when I return, I will pay you back for any additional costs.’ What do you think? Which one of these three was a neighbor to the man who encountered thieves?” Then the legal expert said, “The one who demonstrated mercy toward him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

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

Meditation

Ms. Barb Mansfield

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.

Gather 609

Taste and See

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.

Gather 485

City of God

The Peace

**The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.**

PRAY FOR COMFORT, HEALING, COURAGE, AND HOPE:

Helen Clark, Joseph Ellis, Homé Reitwiesner, Peg Ruppel, Lea Ann Sampson, 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 peace in Istanbul, Baghdad, Dhaka, Jidda, Medinah, and Qatif.

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

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Given by Kate Foley, in loving memory of her mother Marilyn Young.

Given by the children and grandchildren of Enid Cole, in honor of her birthday.

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Worship Leaders

| | | This Week | Next Week |
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| Reader: | 7:45 am | Jackson Douglas | Enid Cole |
| | 9:00 am | Marsha Sutherland Susan McLaughlin | Christian Simpson Suzyn Gonzalez |
| | 11:15 am | Avin Lalmansingh | Alex Langley |
| | 5:00 pm | Dora Kreitzer | Christine Yankus-Eng |
| Prayers: | 7:45 am | Jackson Douglas | Enid Cole |
| | 9:00 am | Andrew Greene | Carleton MacDonald |
| Chalicians: | 7:45 am | Enid Cole Leslie Sanya | Edna Leake Wadai Dennis |
| | 9:00 am | Swithin Kwamena-Poh Esther Tellu | Nancy Carman Cynthia Perley |
| | 11:15 am | Kirk Fitch Anika Lalmansingh | Christian Nwankwo Avin Lalmansingh |
| | 5:00 pm | Dora Kreitzer | Christine Yankus-Eng |
| Healing Prayer Ministers: | | | |
| | 7:45 am | Jean Cohn | Janet King |
| | 9:00 am | Paul Whitmore | Major Clemens |
| | 11:15 am | Laura Shay | Peg Ruppel |
| Acolytes: | 7:45 am | Ron Hayden Aidan Douglas Jackson Douglas | Raymond Chin Aidan Douglas Jackson Douglas |
| | 9:00 am | Kofi Dickson Lisa Dickson Msangwa Ogada | Alfred Wasikye Nuelle Johnson Manny Johnson |
| Welcome Team: | | | |
| | 7:45 am | Florence Sirleaf Meredith Horan | Herald Douglas Lisa Murdock |
| | 9:00 am | Nii Armah Akuete Ruby King Charles Dickson | Swithin Kwamena-Poh Kevin Blanc Algernon Thomas |
| | 11:15 am | Alex Langley Alice Padmore Kendall Anderson | Sciou Broderick Peedy Terry Emmanuel Nwankwo |
| Flower Delivery: | | | |
| | | Esther Sawyer Adoma Baffoe | Hawa Clemens Eliane Dunn-Johnson |
| Altar Guild: | 7:45 am | Georgette Dennis | |
| | 9:00 am | Ophelia Yalley-Ogunro | Caryl Thomas Adoma Baffoe Dotty Pfadenhauer |
| | 11:15 am | Lynne Shaer Georgana Maines | Anika Lalmansingh Avin Lalmansingh |
| Weekly Altar Guild Team: | | 11:15 am Team | 7:45 am Team |
| Eucharistic Visitor: | | Barb Mansfield | Kate Foley |

LEADERSHIP AT ASCENSION

Clergy

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

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: Maria Estela Rodriguez, 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*
Gisèle Lachance, *Nursery Director*
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