



The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

9 October A.D. 2016

7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist

(The Rev.) Randy Lord-Wilkinson, *Rector*  
The Rev. Javier García Ocampo, *Assistant to the Rector*  
Jason Cutshall, *Seminarian*  
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.*

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

♦ *Please silence your audible devices* ♦

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THE WORD OF GOD

Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
Have mercy upon us.

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.  
Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**Jeremiah 29:1,4-7**

The prophet Jeremiah sent a letter from Jerusalem to the few surviving elders among the exiles, to the priests and the prophets, and to all the people Nebuchadnezzar had taken to Babylon from Jerusalem. The Lord of heavenly forces, the God of Israel, proclaims to all the exiles I have carried off from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and settle down; cultivate gardens and eat what they produce. Get married and have children; then help your sons find wives and your daughters find husbands in order that they too may have children. Increase in number there so that you don't dwindle away. Promote the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because your future depends on its welfare.

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

**Psalm 66:1-12**

- 1 Shout joyfully to God,  
    **all the earth!**
- 2 Sing praises to the glory of God's name!  
    **Make glorious his praise!**
- 3 Say to God: "How awesome are your works!  
    **Because of your great strength, your enemies cringe before you.**
- 4 All the earth worships you,  
    **sings praises to you, sings praises to your name!"**
- 5 Come and see God's deeds;  
    **his works for human beings are awesome:**
- 6 He turned the sea into dry land  
    **so they could cross the river on foot. Right there we rejoiced in him!**
- 7 God rules with power forever;  
    **keeps a good eye on the nations. So don't let the rebellious exalt themselves.**
- 8 All you nations, bless our God!  
    **Let the sound of his praise be heard!**
- 9 God preserved us among the living;  
    **he didn't let our feet slip a bit.**
- 10 But you, God, have tested us—  
    **you've refined us like silver,**
- 11 trapped us in a net,  
    **laid burdens on our backs,**
- 12 let other people run right over our heads—we've been through fire and water.  
    **But you brought us out to freedom!**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke [17:11-19]  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with skin diseases approached him. Keeping their distance from him, they raised their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, show us mercy!" When Jesus saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." As they left, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw that he had been healed, returned and praised God with a loud voice. He fell on his face at Jesus' feet and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus replied, "Weren't ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? No one returned to praise God except this foreigner?" Then Jesus said to him, "Get up and go. Your faith has healed you."

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

**Sermon**

(The Rev.) Randy Lord-Wilkinson

## The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.

## Prayers of the People: Form VI

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mariann our Bishop, Randy and Javier, our clergy, Jason, our seminar-ian, and all bishops and other ministers;  
**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. You may add your own prayers at this time silently or aloud.

We pray for comfort, healing, courage and hope for Monica Koenig Caphart, Caleb Felch, Jeanne and Tom Thiele, Fe Wlotzko, 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.

Hear us, Lord;  
**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. You may offer your own prayers of thanksgiving at this time.

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, especially Jackie Waleen and Krista Marting, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*All kneel. Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;**

**and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. .**

*The Celebrant alone stands and says*

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

## **The Peace**

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

## **Announcements**

*Please stand at the presentation of the money and food offerings.*

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

### **Eucharistic Prayer B**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*You may stand or kneel during the Eucharistic Prayer.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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

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.

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

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.

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

***Administration of the Sacrament:** All are welcome to the Lord's Table at Ascension. To receive communion, come to the communion station at the direction of the Welcome Team. 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 beside the pulpit after receiving communion. A healing minister will be there to pray with you.*

*When there is a Eucharistic Visitor present*

We send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those whom you visit may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*People:* **We who are many are one body because we all share one bread and one cup.**

Let us pray.

**Prayer after Communion**

Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

**The Blessing**

Life is short, and we do not have too much time  
to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us.  
So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.  
And may the blessing of the one who made us,  
who journeys with us,  
who breathes us into life moment by moment,  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit,  
be upon you  
this day and always.

***Amen.***

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

		<b>This Week</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
<b>Reader:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Jason Cutshall	Enid Cole
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Barb Mansfield Susan Ahalt	Andrew Greene Chris Ruggeri
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Sarah Rubin	Kendall Anderson
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Dora Kreitzer	Christine Yankus-Eng
<b>Prayers:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Jason Cutshall	Enid Cole
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Gordon Donnelly	John Pruessner
<b>Chalicians:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Jason Cutshall Leslie Sanya	Edna Leake Wadai Dennis
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Nancy Carman Cynthia Perley	Margaret Tellu Jerry Pfadenhauer
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Rimie Sicard Jason Cutshall	Kirk Fitch Anika Lalmansingh
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Dora Kreitzer	Christine Yankus-Eng
<b>Healing Prayer Ministers:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Lisa Murdock	Jason Cutshall
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Jason Cutshall	Javier Ocampo
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Alex Langley	Sarah Rubin
<b>Acolytes:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Raymond Chin Aidan Douglas	Ron Hayden Aidan Douglas
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Kofi Kwamena-Poh Manny Johnson Nuelle Johnson	Alfred Wasikye Gary McLaughlin Roberta Taylor
<b>Welcome Team:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Frank Sanya Meredith Horan	Enid Cole Florence Sirleaf
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Swithin Kwamena-Poh Kevin Blanc Algernon Thomas	Esther Allotey-Taylor Bev Stennett Christine Kroma Josephine Clarke
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Sciou Broderick Peedy Terry Emmanuel Nwankwo	Avin Lalmansingh Karl Didavi Clark Didavi
<b>Flower Delivery:</b>		Adoma Baffoe Hawa Clemens	Eliane Dunn-Johnson Alice Padmore
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Enid Cole Mardia Dennis	Leslie Sanya Wadai Dennis
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Nancy Carman Cynthia Perley	Dorett Sutherland Adoma Baffoe
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Georgana Maines	Laura Shay
<b>Weekly Altar Guild Team:</b>		9:00 am Team	11:15 am Team
<b>Eucharistic Visitors:</b>		Javier Ocampo	Kate Foley Jean Cohn

