



## The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

11 September AD 2016

11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

(The Rev.) Randy Lord-Wilkinson, *Rector*  
The Rev. Javier García Ocampo, *Assistant to the Rector*  
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 service, the people read the parts in bold print.*

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### Welcome and Announcements

Gather 492

Here I am, Lord

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.**

Exodus 32:7-14

The Lord spoke to Moses: "Hurry up and go down! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, are ruining everything! They've already abandoned the path that I commanded. They have made a metal bull calf for themselves. They've bowed down to it and offered sacrifices to it and declared, 'These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I've been watching these people, and I've seen how stubborn they are. Now leave me alone! Let my fury burn and devour them. Then I'll make a great nation out of you." But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God, "Lord, why does your fury burn against your own people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and amazing force? Why should the Egyptians say, 'He had an evil plan to take the people out and kill them in the mountains and so wipe them off the earth'? Calm down your fierce anger. Change your mind about doing terrible things to your own people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, whom you yourself promised, 'I'll make your descendants as many as the stars in the sky. And I've promised to give your descendants this whole land to possess for all time.'" Then the Lord changed his mind about the terrible things he said he would do to his people.

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

Gather 461

You Are Mine

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke [15:1-10]  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

All the tax collectors and sinners were gathering around Jesus to listen to him. The Pharisees and legal experts were grumbling, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." Jesus told them this parable: "Suppose someone among you had one hundred sheep and lost one of them. Wouldn't he leave the other ninety-nine in the pasture and search for the lost one until he finds it? And when he finds it, he is thrilled and places it on his shoulders. When he arrives home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Celebrate with me because I've found my lost sheep.' In the same way, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who changes both heart and life than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need to change their hearts and lives. "Or what woman, if she owns ten silver coins and loses one of them, won't light a lamp and sweep the house, searching her home carefully until she finds it? When she finds it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Celebrate with me because I've found my lost coin.' In the same way, I tell you, joy breaks out in the presence of God's angels over one sinner who changes both heart and life."

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

**Meditation**

**Work Camp Speakers**

**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.*

### Concluding Prayer (unison)

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gather 317

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

### 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.

*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.

**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 500**

**Lord, When You Came**

**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, George Johnson, 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.

We give thanks for the birthdays of Mardia (September 8) and Georgette Dennis (September 11), in whose honor the altar flowers are given by Wadai Dennis.

We give thanks for the life of Elfido Vergel, who died on September 6.

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## Worship Leaders

		<b>This Week</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
<b>Reader:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Leslie Sanya	Enid Cole
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Suzyn Gonzalez Gordon Donnelly	Betsy Hasegawa Sue Snay
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Avin Lalmansingh	Anika Lalmansingh
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Christine Yankus-Eng	Howard Holland
<b>Prayers:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Leslie Sanya	Enid Cole
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Susan Ahalt	Christian Simpson
<b>Chalicians:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Wadai Dennis Sharon Hayden	Enid Cole Leslie Sanya
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Margaret Tellu Jerry Pfadenhauer	Nancy Carman Cynthia Perley
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Kirk Fitch Anika Lalmansingh	Christian Nwankwo Avin Lalmansingh
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Christine Yankus-Eng	Howard Holland
<b>Healing Prayer Ministers:</b>			
	<b>7:45 am</b>	Janet King	Lisa Murdock
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Paul Whitmore	Major Clemens
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Peg Ruppel	Alex Langley
<b>Acolytes:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Raymond Chin Aidan Douglas	Ron Hayden Aidan Douglas
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Nuelle Johnson Manny Johnson Msangwa Ogada	Alfred Wasikwe Sam Mendimassa Kofi Dixon
<b>Welcome Team:</b>			
	<b>7:45 am</b>	Herald Douglas Lisa Murdock	Florence Sirleaf Meredith Horan
	<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>	Alex Langley Alice Padmore Kendall Anderson	Sciou Broderick Peedy Terry Emmanuel Nwankwo
<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>	Sari Stoddard Ophelia Yalley-Ogunro Joyce Bvumbe	Nancy Carman Dorett Sutherland
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Lynne Shaer Laura Shay	Georgana Maines Laura Shay
<b>Weekly Altar Guild Team:</b>		11:15 am Team	7:45 am Team
<b>Eucharistic Visitor:</b>		Meredith Horan	Pamella Irons-Forth Kate Foley

## LEADERSHIP AT ASCENSION

### *Clergy*

The Rev. Randy Lord-Wilkinson, *Rector*  
The Rev. Javier García Ocampo, *Assistant to the Rector*

### *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*  
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