

July 14, 2024

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 15)

10:00 a.m. - Sung Eucharist with Baptism

Welcome

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The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #380 "O Worship the King"

Text by Robert Grant

- 1 O worship the King, all glorious above, O gratefully sing his power and his love; our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.
- 2 O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space, his chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
- 3 The earth with its store of wonders untold,
 Almighty, thy power hath founded of old,
 hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
 And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

- 4 Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.
- 5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail; thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.
- 6 O measureless Might, ineffable Love, while angels delight to hymn thee above, the humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

Territorial Acknowledgement

The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-show-nee) and Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nations, and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Toronto Purchase. Today, Toronto is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island.

We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

Greeting and Collect for Purity

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Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the

Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People And also with you.
Celebrant Almighty God,

People to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are

hidden. 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.

Glory to God [Hymn #686]

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Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,

People and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

People

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: II Samuel 6:1–5,12b–19

Reader A reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

¹ David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. ² David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. ³ They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart ⁴ with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. ⁵ David and all the house of Israel were

dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

^{12b} So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; ¹³ and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. ¹⁴ David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. ¹⁵ So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

¹⁶ As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.

¹⁷ They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt-offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. ¹⁸ When David had finished offering the burnt-offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, ¹⁹ and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 24:1-7

- All the whole world belongs to God, Its people all are his to keep; For he has placed it on the seas, And made it firm upon the deep.
- "Who can ascend the hill of God?
 And who can stand within his walls?"
 "All those who have clean hands, pure heart,
 And have not sworn by what is false.

Arrangement by Christopher L. Webber Tune Hymn #363 Duke Street

- 3 All these the Lord himself will bless And he will give them just reward." Such, God of Jacob, are the ones Who seek the presence of the Lord.
- 4 Lift up your heads, eternal gates; Lift high your everlasting door; The King shall come. "Who is this King?" "The mighty Lord, the conqueror."

Second Reading:

Ephesians 1:3-14

Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵ He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶ to

the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn "Alleluia"

Holy Gospel: Mark 6:14–29

Subdeacon The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Subdeacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

 14 King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." 15 But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." 16 But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²² When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." ²³ And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you,

even half of my kingdom." ²⁴ She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." ²⁵ Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶ The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷ Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸ brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Subdeacon The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: The Rev. Canon Derek Stapleton

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in

Christ. Ephesians 1:3a

Topic: Delighting in God's purpose for God's glory.

A time for silent reflection is kept.

Baptism candidate and his sponsors are requested to come to the font.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Celebrant The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsor I present Anthony (Tsz Ho) Wong to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Celebrant Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate I do.

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel

against God?

Candidate I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the

creatures of God?

Candidate I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Candidate I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Candidate I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Candidate I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Candidate I do.

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Jaime, Jessica

and Anthony in their life in Christ?

People We will.

Prayers for the Candidate

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Celebrant Let us now pray for Anthony who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open him to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son

may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory;

who lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebration of Baptism

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

> We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People 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.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of

bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and

return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of

every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain

and renew the life of the Earth?

People I will, with God's help.

The Baptism

Celebrant Anthony (Tsz Ho) Wong, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

Celebrant Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have

bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them

to the new life of grace.

Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit.

Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to

persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all

your works. Amen.

The Giving of the Light

Subdeacon Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and People

glorify your Father in heaven.

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We receive you into the household of God. People

Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with

us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace page 192

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn #316 "New Songs of Celebration Render"

Psalm 98; paraphrase by Erik Routley

English text

- New songs of celebration render 1 to God who has great wonders done; love sits enthroned in ageless splendour; come and adore the mighty one. God has made known the great salvation which all the saints with joy confess. God has revealed to every nation truth and unending righteousness.
- 2 Joyfully, heartily resounding, let every instrument and voice peal out the praise of grace abounding, calling the whole world to rejoice. Trumpets and organs, set in motion such sounds as make the heavens ring; all things that live in earth and ocean, sound forth the song, your praises bring.
- 3 Rivers and seas and torrents roaring, honour the Lord with wild acclaim; mountains and stones, look up adoring, and find a voice to praise God's name. Righteous, commanding, ever glorious, praises be sung that never cease:
 - just is our God, whose truth victorious
 - establishes the world in peace.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Let us pray.

Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we People

offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ the

Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer #3

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Proper Preface Lord's Day 1

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Celebrant The Lord be with you. And also with you. People

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord. People

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you are the source

of light and life for all your creation, you made us in your own image, and call us

to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices 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.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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, Father, according to his command,

People

Michael Leach

we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in People glory;

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer [Michael Leach]

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People

Our Father in heav'n, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And 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.

The Breaking of the Bread #3

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Celebrant Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your People kingdom.

The Communion page 213

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God. People

Lamb of God [Michael Leach]

People Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. If you would rather not receive the bread and wine, please feel free to come forward for a blessing.

Communion Hymn #481 "May the Grace of Christ Our Saviour"

Text by John Newton and from New English Hymnal

- May the grace of Christ our Saviour, and the Father's boundless love, with the Holy Spirit's favour, rest upon us from above.
- 2 Thus may we abide in union with each other and the Lord, and possess in sweet communion joy which earth cannot afford.
- 3 To the God whose wisdom made us, to the Son who set us free, to the sanctifying Spirit, glory, endless glory, be!

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

People

Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Doxology [Michael Leach]

People

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more, infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever, for ever and ever. Amen, Amen.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn #371 "To God Be the Glory"

Text by Fanny Crosby

To God be the glory, who great things has done!
God so loved the world, freely sending the Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Refrain: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear God's voice.
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father
through Jesus the Son,
and give God the glory,
who great things has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God: that when the offender, repenting, believes, through Jesus' atonement, God's pardon receives.

Refrain

3 Great things God has taught us, great things God has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our gladness when Jesus we see!

Refrain

Dismissal

Subdeacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Today we welcome Tsz Ho (Anthony) Wong as a new member of our community in Christ.

Please join us in the parish hall for refreshments following the service.

Today's Scripture Readings

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Sam 6:1-5,12b-19 Psalm 24 Eph 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Sam 7:1-14a Psalm 89:20-37 Eph 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34,53-56

We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

Congregation Cycle

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