

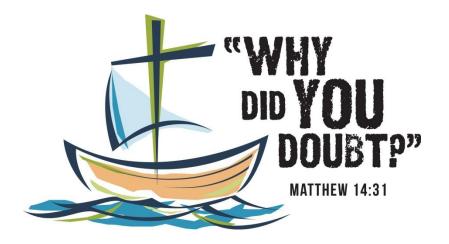
## August 13, 2023

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 19)

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist

# Welcome

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### The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #385 "Worship the Lord in the Beauty"

Text by John Samuel Bewley Montell

1 Worship the Lord in the beauty of 3 Fear not to enter his courts in the holiness: slenderness bow down before him, his glory proclaim; of the poor wealth thou canst reckon as gold of obedience and incense of thine; truth in its beauty and love in its lowliness bring, and adore him: the Lord is his tenderness. name! these are the offerings to lay on his shrine. 2 Low at his feet lay thy burden of 4 These though we bring them in trembling carefulness; high on his heart he will bear it for thee, and fearfulness, comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy he will accept for the name that is dear, prayerfulness, mornings of joy give for evenings of guiding thy steps as may best for thee be. tearfulness. trust for our trembling, and hope for our fear.

#### Repeat verse 1

#### **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,
- Peopleto you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are<br/>hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy<br/>Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name;<br/>through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Glory to God [Hymn #686]

- 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 sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Genesis 37:1–4,12–28

*Reader* A reading from the Book of Genesis.

<sup>1</sup> Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. <sup>2</sup> This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. <sup>3</sup> Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. <sup>4</sup> But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

<sup>12</sup> Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. <sup>13</sup> And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." <sup>14</sup> So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, <sup>15</sup> and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" <sup>16</sup> "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." <sup>17</sup> The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. <sup>18</sup> They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. <sup>19</sup> They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. <sup>20</sup> Come now, let us kill him and

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throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." <sup>21</sup> But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." <sup>22</sup> Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him"—that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. <sup>23</sup> So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; <sup>24</sup> and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

<sup>25</sup> Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. <sup>26</sup> Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is there if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? <sup>27</sup> Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. <sup>28</sup> When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

#### Psalm 105:1-8

- Give thanks to God, make known his Name, His deeds, to everyone;
   Sing praise, sing praise to him and tell The wonders he has done.
- Rejoice in him, all hearts that seek To know his Name and grace;
   Search for the Lord and all his strength, And ever seek his face.

Arrangement by Christopher L. Webber Tune Hymn #230 Azmon

- Recall the marvels God has done, The judgements of his mouth,
   O Abraham's children, Jacob's heirs, Whom he has chosen out.
- The Lord is God, throughout the world His righteous laws prevail;
   His covenant and promises He keeps and will not fail.

#### Second Reading:

*Reader* A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

<sup>5</sup> Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." <sup>6</sup> But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup> "or "Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup> But what does it say?

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup> because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your

#### Romans 10:5–15

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heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. <sup>11</sup>The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

<sup>14</sup> But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? <sup>15</sup> And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. People

#### Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Holy Gospel: Subdeacon The Lord be with you. People And also with you. Subdeacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ. People

<sup>22</sup> Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup> And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,  $^{24}$  but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them.<sup>25</sup> And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. <sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

<sup>28</sup> Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup> And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Subdeacon The Gospel of Christ. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. People

Matthew 14:22–33

#### Sermon

#### A time for silent reflection is kept.

#### The Apostle's Creed

Hymn #44 "I Believe in God Almighty"

- I believe in God almighty, Father of all things that be, maker of the earth and heavens, keeper of the sky and sea.
   I believe in God's Son, Jesus, now for us both Lord and Christ, of the Spirit and of Mary born to bring abundant life.
- 2 I believe that Jesus suffered, scourged and scorned and crucified; taken from the cross, was buried true life there had truly died.
  I believe that on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave, then ascended to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.

#### Paraphrase by Sylvia G. Dunstan

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 I believe in God's own Spirit, bonding all the saints within one Church, catholic, and holy, where forgiveness frees from sin; in the body's resurrection, for the breaking of death's chain gives the life that's everlasting: this the faith that I have claimed.

#### The Prayers of the People

LeaderLord, in your mercy,PeopleHear our prayer.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

People we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

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have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

### The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

### The Celebration of the Eucharist

### Offertory Hymn 527 – How firm a foundation

1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,

is laid for your faith in his excellent word! What more can he say than to you he hath said,

to you who to Jesus for refuge have fled?

2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed!

For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;

I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,

upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

3 "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,

the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,

and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

4 "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie.

my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply:

the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

5 "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose

I will not—I will not desert to its foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake,

I'll never-no, never-no, never forsake!"

Text by John Rippon

#### The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Father, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this eucharist we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Eucharistic Prayer #2

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Celebrant* We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

People

Michael Leach your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of

*Celebrant* Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

> Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

> We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the

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Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, 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.
- *People* So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

#### Lamb of God [Michael Leach]

PeopleLamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:<br/>have mercy on us, have mercy on us.<br/>Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:<br/>have mercy on us, have mercy on us.<br/>Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:<br/>grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

#### **The Communion**

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

#### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

- *Celebrant* Dear friends, if you are present or elsewhere and are unable to receive the sacrament at this time, I invite you to join me and the whole church in spiritual communion to receive Christ, who is present in this Sacrament of the Altar. Let us pray.
- PeopleLord Christ, present in the Sacrament of the altar and in your people, gatheredin spirit, come and abide in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be mywisdom and guide me in right pathways; transform my life and actions that

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they may reflect the image of your holiness; and, by the power of your liberating love, overthrow all that threatens or disrupts the justice and truth of the reign of God. In your name I pray. Amen.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn #620 "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" Text by John Newton

 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear! It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds,

and drives away our fear.

- It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast;
   'tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary rest.
- Dear name! The rock on which I build, my shield and hiding-place, my never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace.

#### Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

People Eternal God, grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

#### Doxology [Michael Leach]

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

#### Blessing

#### Dismissal

Subdeacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

- Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend, my prophet, priest, and king, my Lord, my life, my way, my end, accept the praise I bring.
- 5 Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought; but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

#### Recessional Hymn #598 "Go to the World"

- 1 Go to the world! Go into all the earth. Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth, baptizing as the sign of our rebirth. Alleluia!
- 2 Go to the world! Go into every place.Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.Go seek God's presence in each time and space.Alleluia!
- Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray; the nights of tears give way to joyous day.
   As servant church, you follow Christ's own way.
   Alleluia!
- 4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am with you till the age shall end, when all the hosts of glory cry, "Amen!" Alleluia!

### Please join us for refreshments following the service.

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### **Today's Scripture Readings**

#### **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Genesis 37:1-4,12-28 Psalm 105:1-6,16-22,45c Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33

### Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Genesis 45:1-15 Psalm 133 Romans 11:1-2a,29-32 Matthew 15:(10-20),21-28

#### We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

#### **Congregation Cycle**

Nathan M / Elsie M / Dan & Rebecca M & Family / Folasade M / Patrick M

Celebrant	Rev. Leonard Leader	Organist	Michael Leach
Preacher & Subdeacon		Usher	Ann-Marie Waithe Powell
	Margie Lyttle	Altar Guild	Margie Lyttle
Intercessor	Geraldine Sperling	Duty Warden Doug Heyes	
Reader	Craig Robertson	Lemonade on the Lawn Hosts	
Server	Truman Jian		Nancy & Michael Dodsworth
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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.