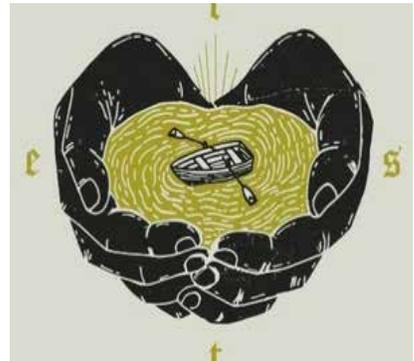


# The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

## Year B • Proper 11

Sunday, July 18, 2021 • 10:00 a.m.



Welcome to Church of the Ascension. We are an inclusive community that respects the dignity of every human being. Therefore, whoever you are in terms of race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, or ability and wherever you are on your faith journey, we welcome you and hope you will give us an opportunity to be your spiritual home. **Congregational singing is now allowed for those who are fully vaccinated, while wearing a mask. Those who have not been fully vaccinated are requested not to sing at this time. If you need a mask, ask the Greeter and one will be provided to you.**

### HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

#### PRELUDE

*For the Beauty of the Earth*  
Bailey Myers, piano

Words & Music: Conrad Kocher; Arr. Chris Rice

#### PROCESSIONAL

HYMNAL 518

*Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*

Words: Latin, ca. 7th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.  
Music: *Westminster Abbey*, Henry Purcell (1659-1695), adapt.; desc. James Gillespie (b.1929)

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and  
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of  
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of  
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,  
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion  
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness  
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

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bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
 pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in  
 hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est  
 with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.  
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

*Celebrant* Blessed be the One, Holy, and Living God!

*People* And blessed be God's kingdom now and forever! *Amen!*

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

**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.***

### SONG OF PRAISE

**HYMNAL S 278**

***Glory to God***

Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992)

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
 might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

**Kenn Derby, Lector**

**2 Samuel 7:1-14A**

*A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel.*

When the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, “See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.” Nathan said to the king, “Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.”

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought

up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?” Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

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

**PSALM 89:20-37**

**Kenn Derby, *Lector***

- 20 I have found David my servant; \*  
with my holy oil have I anointed him.**
- 21 My hand will hold him fast \*  
and my arm will make him strong.**
- 22 No enemy shall deceive him, \*  
nor any wicked man bring him down.**
- 23 I will crush his foes before him \*  
and strike down those who hate him.**
- 24 My faithfulness and love shall be with him, \*  
and he shall be victorious through my Name.**
- 25 I shall make his dominion extend \*  
from the Great Sea to the River.**
- 26 He will say to me, ‘You are my Father, \*  
my God, and the rock of my salvation.’**
- 27 I will make him my firstborn \*  
and higher than the kings of the earth.**
- 28 I will keep my love for him for ever, \*  
and my covenant will stand firm for him.**
- 29 I will establish his line for ever \*  
and his throne as the days of heaven.”**
- 30 “If his children forsake my law \*  
and do not walk according to my judgments;**
- 31 If they break my statutes \*  
and do not keep my commandments;**

- 32 I will punish their transgressions with a rod \*  
and their iniquities with the lash;
- 33 But I will not take my love from him, \*  
nor let my faithfulness prove false.
- 34 I will not break my covenant, \*  
nor change what has gone out of my lips.
- 35 Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: \*  
'I will not lie to David.
- 36 His line shall endure for ever \*  
and his throne as the sun before me;
- 37 It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon, \*  
the abiding witness in the sky.' "

**THE SECOND LESSON**

**Kenn Derby, *Lector***

**Ephesians 2:11-22**

*A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.*

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision” —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

**THE GRADUAL HYMN**

**MHSO 18**

***Halle, Halle, Halle***



Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - ia! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

## THE GOSPEL

**Mark 6:30-34, 53-56**

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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

## SERMON

**The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein, Rector**

*A moment of silence for reflection will follow the sermon.*

## THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life,  
of sun and moon, of water and earth, of male and female.**

**We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh,  
born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and  
nailed to a tree.**

**A man of sorrows, he died forsaken.  
He descended into the earth to the place of death.  
On the third day he rose from the tomb.  
He ascended into heaven to be everywhere present,  
and his kingdom will come on earth.**

**We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,  
Life-giving breath of the church,  
Spirit of healing and forgiveness,  
Source of resurrection and of eternal life. Amen.**

*From the Abbey of Iona, Scotland (Celtic)*

## PRAYERS OF PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM IV

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop; Mariann and Chilton, our Bishops; Joan our rector; Terri our deacon; Bailey our music director; Creamilda our seminarian; and for all bishops and other ministers; and for all the People of God. In our Diocese, we pray for leaders in our congregations to engage an offering on leadership, discipleship, or spiritual formation. We pray for the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Wheaton and Misa Magdalena; and St. Christopher's Church, New Carrollton. In the Anglican communion we pray for Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda .

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Today in our parish we pray for Jennifer, Ian, and Henry Myles; May Nakamura; Stephani Narayanan; Dave Nelson, Emer Donnelly, and Aiofe Nelson; Heidi Nelson, and Scott, Brandon, and Annarose Harris; and Lisa Null and Charlie Baum. We pray also for the birthdays of Karen Regis, Jake Wilson, Marta Brenden, Rod Good, Maggie Thompson, Jim Wolf, and Paula Chiplis. And for the fifty-third wedding anniversary of Art and Marilyn Stump.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. **Especially All who are suffering from COVID-19 ... \*Faye ... Virginia ... Gloria ... Gwendolyn ... Rachel ... Tina ... Florri ... Dick<sup>1</sup> ... Glen ... Riza ... \*Yvonne ... Jean ... \*Bob ... Mary ... Lillian ... Joré Yvonne ... Paula ... The Clark Family ... \*Andrew ... Pat<sup>1</sup> ... \*Kenn ... Rita ... \*Kiki ... Sean ... Geoff ... Gloria ... Kitty ... Martie ... Pat<sup>2</sup> ... Jere ... Dick<sup>2</sup> ... \*Maggie ... The Hunte Family ... Lynn ... Paul ... Barbara ... \*Tom ... \*Bert ... Pauline ... Linda ... Johannas ... Pat<sup>3</sup> ... Mike ... Les ... Marsha ... \*Kathryn ... David ... Brian<sup>1</sup> ... \*Lisa ... Zobida ... Cynthia ... Rudi ... Severn ... \*Carol<sup>1</sup> ... Brian<sup>2</sup> ... The Seaton Family ... Carol<sup>2</sup> ... \*Martha ... \*Joyce ... \*Dana... The Tate Family ... \*Giselle ... The Thomas Family ... \*Helen ... Glenn ... \*Libby ... and Judah.**

I invite you now to offer your prayers either aloud or in the silence of your hearts.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Deacon:* Let us now confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God, 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 neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, 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.**

The Celebrant declares God's mercy and forgiveness.

## THE PEACE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

### *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

Mark Hayes

Tune: *Resignation, Southern Harmony*; 1835; arr. Richard Starr

Bailey Myers, *piano*

## OFFERTORY HYMN

### LEVAS 137

### *Just as I am*

Words: Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)

Music: William B. Bradbury (1816-1868)

1. Just as I am, without one plea, But  
2. Just as I am, though tossed about With  
3. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight  
4. Just as I am, thou wilt receive; Wilt

1. that thy blood was shed for me,  
2. many-a conflict, many-a doubt;  
3. rich es, healing of the mind,  
4. welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve,

1. And that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O  
2. Fightings and fears with in, with out, O  
3. Yea, all I need in thee to find, O  
4. Because thy promise I believe, O

Lamb of God, I come, I come.

## OFFERTORY WORDS

*Celebrant* All things come of thee, O Lord.

*People* **And of thine own have we given thee.**

## BLESSING OF THE AGAPE MEAL AT HOME

### OVER WINE

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe. You create the fruit of the vine; and you have refreshed us when we gather in community with the cup of salvation in the Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Glory to you for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### OVER BREAD

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe. You bring forth bread from the earth; and you have given us the bread of life in the Body of your Son Jesus Christ. As grain scattered upon the earth is gathered into one loaf, so gather your Church in every place into the kingdom of your Son. To you be glory and power for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARIST PRAYER C

*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 God thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



# SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

## HYMNAL S 128

## *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

SETTING: WILLIAM MATHIAS (1934-1992)



Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven 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.

*The people may stand or kneel as is their preference.*

And so, Gracious God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."



After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."



Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our ancestors of faith: God of Abraham, Sarah, and Hagar; Isaac and Rebekah; Jacob, Leah, and Rachel. God, Father and Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.**

**Accept these prayers and praises, loving God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now in hope and confidence, let us pray as our Savior Christ has taught us,

**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!**

## FRACTION ANTHEM

**HYMNAL S169**

*My Flesh is Food Indeed*

My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -  
deed, says the Lord. *All* My Lord. Those who eat my  
flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. *All* My  
flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

## THE INVITATION

These are holy gifts for you God's holy and beloved people: Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*Please walk single file up the center aisle toward the priest.*

*Only the host will be distributed which is full communion. The common cup is still not allowed at this time.*

*Please return to your seat using the aisle to your right to avoid the live stream equipment.*

# MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

VOICES FOUND 96

## *Healing River of the Spirit*



1 Heal-ing riv - er of the Spi - rit, bathe the wounds that liv - ing brings.  
 2 Well-spring of the heal-ing Spi - rit, stream that flows to bring re - lease,  
 3 Liv - ing stream that heals the na - tions, make us chan - nels of your pow'r.



Plunge our pain, our sin, our sad-ness deep be - neath your sa - cred springs.  
 as we gain our selves, our sens-es, may our lives re - flect your peace.  
 All the world is torn by con - flict; wars are rag - ing at this hour.



Wea - ry from the rest - less search-ing that has lured us from your side,  
 Grate-ful for the flood that heals us, may your church en - act your grace.  
 Sav - ing Spi - rit, move a - mong us; guide our wind - ing hu - man course,



we dis - cov - er in your pres - ence peace that world can - not pro - vide.  
 As we meet both friend and strang-er, may we see our Sav - ior's face.  
 till we find our way to - geth - er, flow - ing home - ward to our source.

LEVAS 152

## *Let Us Break Bread Together*

1. Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees (on our  
 2. Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees (on our

1. knees); Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees (on our  
 2. knees); Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees (on our

1. knees).  
2. knees). When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

sun, Oh Lord, have mer - cy on me (on me). me).

Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees (yes, on our knees); Let us

praise God to - geth - er on our knees (yes, on our knees). When I

fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun, Oh

Lord, have mer - cy on me (on me).

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

## THE BLESSING

## DISMISSAL

## PROCESSION INTO THE WORLD

### VOICES FOUND 93 *God, Creator, Source of Healing*

1 God, cre - a - tor, source of heal - ing here we  
2 Je - sus, known to friend and seek - er ex - er -  
3 Ho - ly Spi - rit, bring us whole-ness, come with  
4 Tri - ni - ty of awe and won - der yours the

pray for whole-ness and health. Guide our work, our  
cis - ing heal - er's art, may the strong sup -  
your trans - form - ing love; give us free - dom,  
glo - ry, yours the praise. Strike our bind - ing

thoughts, and feel - ing, guide the shar - ing of our wealth.  
port the weak-er show - ing love with head and heart;  
hope and bold-ness, raise our eyes to see from a - bove;  
chains a - sun - der, lib - er - ate our cramp - ing ways.

Give dis - cern - ment in our de - ci - sions give com -  
 give fresh en - er - gy and pur - pose when un -  
 shape our sys - tems, in - sti - tu - tions, clar - i -  
 May our lives re - flect your splend-our, in a -

pas - sion in our care; rec - on - cile our  
 rea - son - ing blocks your grace, spare us harm, in  
 fy our blind - ed sight, as we seek God -  
 bun - dance Lord we ask. God, our guide and

strife and di - vi - sions as we search for means to share.  
 dan - ger a - lert us, show the ra - diance of your face.  
 giv - en so - lu - tions, help us greet the just and right.  
 our be - friend-er, give new mean - ing to our task.

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## POSTLUDE

### *Festivity on "Come, Thou Fount"*

Douglas E. Wagner

Tune: *Nettleton*, from *Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music*, 1813

Bailey Myers, *organ*

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# Mustard Seed Ministry Opportunities • July 2021



Ascension's Mustard Seed Ministry offers simple moments of ministry that are easy to complete, often from the comfort of your own home. Don't know what to do to combat the hate and need you see all around you? Choose one or more of the Mustard Seed opportunities below!

- **Restart!** We are hoping to restart the monthly Late Night Walkabouts. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Rev. Terri at [reverendterri@aol.com](mailto:reverendterri@aol.com)
- **Casserole Ministry.** Please help us feed the local needy. Shepherd's Table asks that rather than making a casserole for Shepherd's Table, you donate the cost of making one (\$10), to Shepherd's Table. Please let Carol Schwobel know of your donation. [Cjs\\_skye@hotmail.com](mailto:Cjs_skye@hotmail.com)<sup>1</sup>
- Knit a baby blanket, sweater, booties or caps for Palestinian newborns at St. Luke's Hospital in Nablus, Palestine. Please drop off your items with Rev. Terri.
- **Donate time around Ascension** to help with yard clean up shoveling or mowing in the spring.
- **Wednesday donations** to support the Adventist Community Center pantry. From 10-11 a.m. on Wednesdays, drop off your donation of cereal at the front of the church.<sup>2</sup>
- **Drop off a \$10.00 Giant or Safeway food card** at the front of the church on Wednesdays from 10-11 a.m. to help feed the homeless!<sup>3</sup>
- **Diaper Ministry to benefit Greater DC Diaper Bank.** On Sundays between 11-11:30 a.m. you can drop off items at the front door of the church. Contact Laura Schattschneider at [les291@nyu.edu](mailto:les291@nyu.edu) or Drew Snyder at [drewsnyder@pobox.com](mailto:drewsnyder@pobox.com) for details.<sup>4</sup>
- **NEW** Register to take Safeguarding God's Children, the diocesan child abuse prevention training. Ascension will offer this in early fall.
- **NEW** Voter Rights. To become involved in an easy way to help secure voter rights, please contact Jane Alperson at [jaeal212@gmail.com](mailto:jaeal212@gmail.com).

## *In June, you donated:*

1. \$220.00 (22 casseroles) to Shepherd's Table
2. 75 boxes of cereal for Adventist Food Bank.
3. \$450 in grocery store gift cards and comfort packs to the area homeless
4. 289 diapers; 800 wipes for the D.C. Diaper Bank.

**Church of the Ascension**  
**In-Person Worship Protocols**  
Revised July 15, 2021

*In accordance with the CDC, Montgomery County, and Diocesan Guidelines*  
**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**



**8:00 AM— HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (in the sanctuary)**  
to be resumed **Homecoming Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021**



**9:00 AM — HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (in St. Clare's Outdoor Chapel)**  
**(Every Sunday (weather permitting) – through Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021)**

- **VACCINATION:** It is strongly recommended that all be *fully vaccinated* for the COVID-19 virus, *but vaccination is not required.*
- **MASKS:** *Optional* for outdoor worship.
- **BULLETINS:** Please provide *your own bulletin* (i.e., a print copy, on your phone, on your tablet.) A limited number of paper bulletins will be available for visitors and those who need them. Please take all paper copies of the bulletin with you upon departing the service.
- **GENERAL PARKING:** *Street parking* and the *school lot* behind the church are available.
- **HANDICAPPED PARKING:** The church parking circle at 633 Sligo Avenue is reserved for those with *limited mobility.*
- **SEATING AND SOCIAL DISTANCING:** Please *bring your own lawn chairs* to accommodate yourself and/or your family members. The *benches* in the outdoor chapel *will be reserved* for those who find it difficult to carry chairs to the service. When choosing a seating area, please observe *social distancing* if the people around you are more comfortable with more space between you.
- **RESTROOMS:** The *restrooms* in the Gathering Space will be available for your use. You may reach the restrooms by *walking past the red front doors, turning left, and entering the outdoor Gathering space doors.* The restrooms are immediately to your right.
- **THE PASSING OF THE PEACE:** Bows, waves, peace signs, elbow bumping, handshaking, kissing, or hugging are allowed but *please be respectful* and check if others welcome these gestures or not.
- **HOLY COMMUNION:** Please walk up the *center aisle* of the chapel single file toward the priest. Only the host will be distributed which is full communion. The common cup is still not allowed at this time.



**10:00 AM—HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (in the Sanctuary)**

- **LIVE-STREAM:** This service will be *live-streamed permanently.*
- **MUSIC:** *Congregational singing is now allowed but masks ARE REQUIRED to sing. If you need a mask, please ask one of the Greeters/Ushers and one will be provided for you. If you are not fully vaccinated, we ask that you refrain from singing.*

- **RESERVATIONS:** *No reservations* are required for this service.
- **VACCINATION:** It is *strongly recommended* that all attending be *fully vaccinated* for the COVID-19 virus.
- **MASKS:** Are *not required* for fully *vaccinated attendees*. All *un-vaccinated attendees are required* to wear a mask.
- **BULLETINS:** Please provide *your own bulletin* (i.e., a print copy, on your phone, tablet, etc.) A limited number of print bulletins will be available for visitors and those who need them. Please *take all paper copies* of the bulletin with you as you depart.
- **GENERAL PARKING:** *Street parking* and the *school lot* behind the church are available.
- **HANDICAPPED PARKING:** The church parking circle at *633 Sligo Avenue* is reserved for those with *limited mobility*.
- **ENTRANCES:** You may the church through the *ramp entrance* at 634 Silver Spring Avenue or through the *red main doors* at 633 Sligo Avenue.
- **GREETERS:** Will be present to welcome and assist you during the service.
- **SEATING & SOCIAL DISTANCING:** All *available seats* have been marked off in the sanctuary with blue tape. Please find a space that accommodates you and/or your family/friend group. When taking a seat, please observe *social distancing* if the people around you would be more comfortable with more space between you.
- **RESTROOMS:** The *restrooms* in the Gathering Space will be available for your use.
- **THE PASSING OF THE PEACE:** Bows, waves, peace signs, elbow bumping, handshaking, kissing, or hugging are allowed but *please be respectful* and check if others welcome these gestures or not.
- **HOLY COMMUNION:** *Please walk single file* up the center aisle toward the priest. Only the host will be distributed which is full communion. The common cup is still not allowed at this time. Please return to your seat using the aisle to your right to avoid the live stream equipment.
- **COFFEE HOUR:** Coffee Hour will be held in the Gathering Space and outdoors. *If you are not fully vaccinated*, we ask that you move outside when you take off your mask to consume coffee hour beverages and snacks. Thank you for your understanding!



## IN-PERSON & ONLINE!

THIS SUNDAY, July 18th, 2021  
After the 10:00 AM Service @ 11:15 AM

In the Gathering Space & Lawn Outside!  
with bottle beverages and pre-made snacks  
(savory and sweet!)

Fully vaccinated - masks optional!  
Not vaccinated - masks required at all times,  
unless eating outside!

**\*\*CAN'T COME IN PERSON? \*\***

JOIN HERE (online)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87381571677?pwd=NEV6aVlkMll4bWlXMTZiZGpKZW5DUT09>

So people can great you virtually!

Meeting ID: 873 8157 1677

Passcode: 421794

## Serving This Week

SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021  
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost • Year B

*Celebrant & Preacher:* The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein

*Rector:* The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein

*Deacons:* The Rev. Terri M. Murphy

The Rev. Julie Petermeyer

*Seminarian:* Creamilda Yoda

*Director of Music Ministries:* Bailey Myers

*Lector (10 a.m.):* Kenn Derby

*LEM (10 a.m.):* Annemarie Quigley

*Tech Team (10 a.m.):* Lia Kvatum and

Buck Buckingham

## THE VESTRY OF ASCENSION

• Jane Alperson (22), Senior Warden • Steve Fromyer (23), Junior Warden

• Theo Emery (24) • Anne LeVeque (24)

• Arabella Littlepage (22) • Dick Marks (22) • Chuck McCarter (24)

• Jonathan Mengesha (23) • Laura Schattschneider (22)

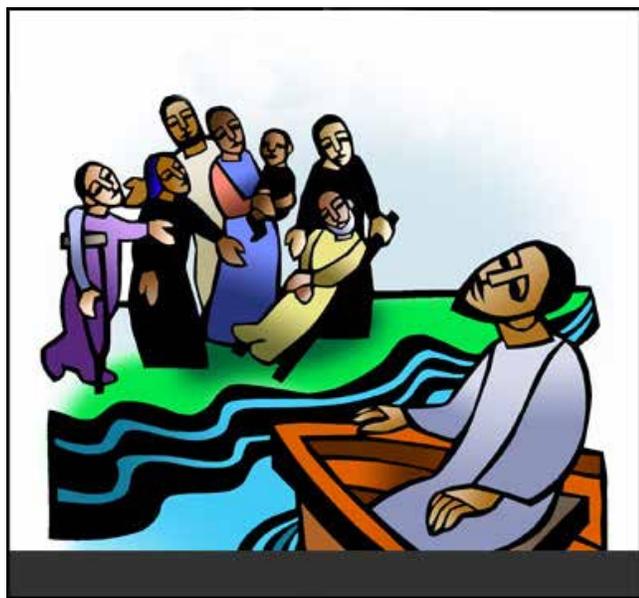
• Blaise Strandquist (23) • Sandra Sussman (23) • Joan Thomas (24)

• Ex Officio: Mary Fromyer – Registrar

• Leticia Read – Clerk of the Works

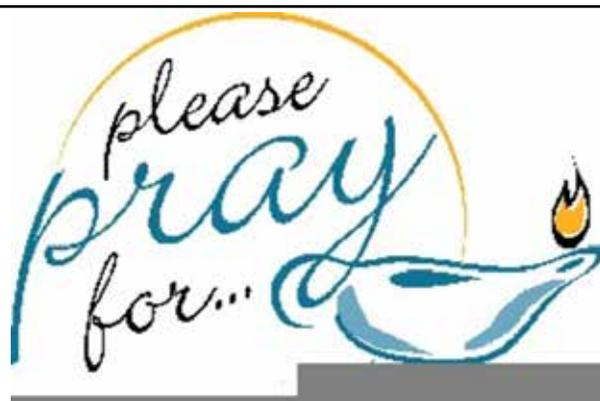
• Leona Cosby – Treasurer • Fred Paul – Assistant Treasurer

treasurer-ascension@comcast.net



To submit a prayer request or add birthdays, anniversaries, and other thanksgivings to the Sunday prayer list please email: Jennifer Woods, [knitpick@mac.com](mailto:knitpick@mac.com) and The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein, [revdrjeb@comcast.net](mailto:revdrjeb@comcast.net)

*Special Thanks to Chris Chang and Astrocasters for helping make our live stream possible by providing our streaming server and cota.live site!*



For peace and an end to violence and terrorism everywhere.

## Our Parish Cycle of Prayer

Jennifer, Ian, and Henry Myles  
May Nakamura

Stephani Narayanan

Dave Nelson, Emer Donnelly, and Aiofe Nelson

Heidi Nelson, and Scott, Brandon, and Annarose Harris

Lisa Null and Charlie Baum

*For those celebrating birthdays:*

July 18: Karen Regis

July 19: Jake Wilson

July 20: Marta Brenden, Rod Good; Maggie Thompson, Jim Wolf

July 23: Paula Chiplis

*For those celebrating an anniversary:*

July 21: Art and Marilyn Stump (53<sup>rd</sup>)

*In our Diocese:*

We pray for leaders in our congregations to engage an offering on leadership, discipleship, or spiritual formation.

Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Wheaton and Misa Magdalena  
St. Christopher's Church, New Carrollton

*In the Anglican Communion:*

Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

For those with HIV/AIDS everywhere, but especially in Africa.

*In the World*

All with the COVID-19 virus and all who have died.

*For people in need of healing*

(\*indicates a member of the parish; italics, new this week):

\*Faye Adams, Virginia Allen, Gloria Alexander, Gwendolyn Alexander, Rachel Anderson, Tina Arnold, Florri Aversa, Dick Baker, Glen Bediaram, Riza Bediaram, \*Yvonne Boyd, Jean Brady, \*Bob Brown, *Mary Bucher*, Joré Yvonne Chumbley, The Rev. Canon Paula Clark, Bishop-elect of Chicago, The Clark Family, \*Andrew Clayton, Pat Cox, \*Kenn Derby, Rita Ferrara, \*Kiki Feissner, Sean Fitzsimmons, The Floyd Family, Geoff Grub, Gloria Guinness, Kitty Hall, Martie Heckman, Jere Herzenberg, Dick Holdstock, \*Maggie Howard, The Hunte Family, Lynn Hutcheson, Paul Jackson, Barbara Jacobs, \*Tom Jacobson, \*Bert Joseph, Pauline Lerner, Linda LeVeque, Johannes Mann-Chow, Pat Martin, Mike Mattson, Les Maul, Marsha Maul, \*Kathryn McCullough, David Meyer, Brian Newby, \*Lisa Null, Zobida Ragbirsingh, Cynthia Roberts, Rudi Salvermoser, Severn Savage, \*Carol Schwobel, Brian Seaton, The Seaton Family, Carol Fiddler Smith, \*Martha Smith, \*Joyce Sterling, Dana Sussman-Martin, The Tate Family, \*Giselle Thomas, The Thomas Family, \*Helen Van Doren, \*Libby Williams, Glenn Woodley, Judah Yoda

*Please take the Prayer List home for use in daily prayers.*