

**PARISH OF THE ASCENSION  
THE HOLY EUCHARIST  
SUNDAY, July 25, 2021  
PENTECOST 1X**

**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**WELCOME**

**OPENING HYMN:** *Praise The One Who Break The Darkness 397*  
*Vs. 1 & 3*

**Celebrant:** The grace of our Lord Jesus, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**All:** **And also with you.**

**Celebrant:** Almighty God,

**All:** **to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
And from you no secrets are hidden.  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the  
inspirations on your Holy Spirit that we may  
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy  
name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Glory to God**

**Celebrant:** Glory to God in the highest,

**All:** **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**

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel**

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

### **PSALM 14**

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God."

All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all,  
to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.

Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad;  
there is none who does good; no, not one.

Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers  
who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?

See how they tremble with fear,  
because God is in the company of the righteous.

Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted,  
but the Lord is their refuge.

Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion!  
when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice  
and Israel be glad.

**God of wisdom and love, without you neither truth nor holiness can survive. Show your mighty presence among us, and make us glad in proclaiming your deliverance in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**GRADUAL HYMN: *Take My Life And Let It Be* 435 Vs. 1 & 5**

## **THE GOSPEL**

**Reader:       The Lord be with you  
All:            And also with you**

**The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John**

**All: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## **THE HOMILY**

### **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,**

**All:        I believe in God,  
              the Father almighty,  
              creator of heaven and earth 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.**

**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. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### **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.  
Most merciful God,

**All:** 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, 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.

**All:** Amen

## **THE PEACE**

### **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**OFFERTORY HYMN: *Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us 564***  
*Vs. 1 & 3*

(Offertory is prepared and received)

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer 4)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

Celebrant: It is right to give you thanks and praise,  
O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,  
you are worthy of glory and praise.

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

Celebrant: 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.

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

Celebrant: From the primal elements  
you brought forth the human race,  
and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill;  
you made us the stewards of creation.

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

Celebrant: But we turn against you, and betray your trust;  
and we turn against one another.  
Again and again you call us to return.  
Through the prophets and sages  
you reveal your righteous law.  
In the fullness of time you sent your Son,  
born of a woman, to be our Saviour.  
He was wounded for our transgressions,  
and bruised for our iniquities.  
By his death he opened to us  
the way of freedom and peace.

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

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

**All: 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: Blessed are you, Lord our God, for  
sending us Jesus, the Christ,  
who on the night he was handed over to  
suffering and death,  
took bread, said the blessing,  
broke the bread, gave it to his friends,  
and said, "Take this, and eat it:  
this is my body which is given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took  
the cup of wine;  
he gave you thanks,  
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."

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

Celebrant: Gracious God,  
we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ,  
we proclaim his resurrection and ascension,  
and we look with expectation for his coming  
as Lord of all the nations.  
We who have been redeemed by him,  
and made a new people by water and the Spirit,  
now bring you these gifts.  
Send your Holy Spirit upon us

and upon this offering of your Church,  
that we who eat and drink at this holy table  
may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

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

Celebrant: Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and  
make it your new creation.  
Gather your Church together  
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,  
where peace and justice are revealed,  
that we, with all your people,  
of every language, race, and nation,  
may share the banquet you have promised;  
through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all  
honour and glory are yours,  
creator of all.

**All: Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we  
are bold to say,

**All: 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,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Celebrant: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.  
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;  
Whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**All: Taste and see that the Lord is good;**

**Happy are they who trust in him!**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God

**All: Thanks be to God**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

### **DOXOLOGY**

Celebrant Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us,**

**can do infinitely more**

**than we can ask or imagine.**

**Glory to God from generation to generation,**

**in the Church and in Christ Jesus,**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

**CLOSING HYMN: *Be Thou My Vision* 505 Vs. 1, 2, 4**

### **DISMISSAL**

**BE THOU MY VISION 505 vs. 1, 2, 4**

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art,  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, thine own may I be,  
Thou in me dwelling and I one with thee.

High King of heaven, when victory is won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

**Ascension Prayer Cycle:** Aden, Amelia, Amy, Ann, Annie, Aubrey, Audrey, Barbara, Baxter, Bob, Brenda, Brian, Brittany, Brandon, Callum, Carl, Cathy, Christina, Cindy, Claire, Clarence, Connie, David, Debra, Delilah, Dennis, Derrick, Don, Donna, Doreen, Dot, Doug, Dulcie, Ed, Edgar, Elaine, Emily, Erin, Evelyn, Finnley, Frederick, Fred, Frank, Flo, Garrett, Gary, George, Gerald, Glenda, Gordon, Harry, Ike, Ina, Ingrid, Ira, Jack, Jason, Jennifer, Jenny, John, Josephine, Joan, Judy, Junior, Kent, Kevin, Kim, Laura, Leo, Leonie, Lindsay, Lori, Luke, Madeline, Marie, Marsha, Mark, Marion, Marylou, Maxine, Maxwell, Melvin, Michael, Michelle, Mike, Mona, Nancy, Pam, Rachel, Randell, Rochelle, Rodney, Roland, Ruby, Ruth, Rita, Sadie, Sean, Shirley, Stephen, Susan, Tina, Todd, Tom, Valerie, Vera.

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