



The 13th Sunday After Pentecost
August 22, 2021
9:00 am

Prelude

Amazing Grace for Clarinet and Piano*

Arr. Ron Harris

Welcome

Opening Hymn

Sing praise to God who reigns above

Hymn 408

Sing praise to God who reigns above,
the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love,
the God of our salvation;
with healing balm my soul he fills,
and every faithless murmur stills:
to God all praise and glory.

What God's almighty power hath made,
his gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning glow or evening shade
his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of his might,
lo! All is just and all is right:
to God all praise and glory.

Let all who name Christ's holy Name
give God all praise and glory;
let all who know his power proclaim
aloud the wondrous story!
Cast each false idol from its throne,
The Lord is God and he alone;
To God all praise and glory.

Opening Acclamation

Clergy Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Clergy Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Collect of the Day

Clergy The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Clergy Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reading

Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:15-22

15 The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous,
and his ears are open to their cry.

16 The face of the Lord is against those who do evil,
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry, and the Lord hears them
and delivers them from all their troubles.

18 The Lord is near to the brokenhearted
and will save those whose spirits are crushed.

19 Many are the troubles of the righteous,
but the Lord will deliver him out of them all.

20 He will keep safe all his bones;
not one of them shall be broken.

21 Evil shall slay the wicked,
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

22 The Lord ransoms the life of his servants,
and none will be punished who trust in him.

Sequence Hymn

Spread, O spread, thou mighty word

Hymn 530

Spread, O spread, thou mighty word,
spread the kingdom of the Lord,
that to earth's remotest bound
all may heed the joyful sound;

word of how the Father's will
made the world, and keeps it, still;
how his only Son he gave,
earth from sin and death to save;

word of how the Savior's love
earth's sore burden doth remove;
how forever, in its need,
through his death the world is freed;

word of how the Spirit came
bringing peace in Jesus' name;
how his never-failing love
guides us on to heaven above.

Word of life, most pure and strong,
word for which the nations long,
spread abroad, until from night
all the world awakes to light.

Holy Gospel

John 6:56-69

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

[Jesus said,] "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

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

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Becky Coerper

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world: In the Diocese of Central New York, we pray for our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe; and the people of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in New Hartford and their priest, the Rev. Kathlyn Schofield. We also pray for the people of Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Norwich and their priest, the Rev. Steve White. In our Companion Diocese of El Salvador we pray for the people of Misión San Romero de América and their priest the Rev. Mario Benítez. In the Episcopal Church, we pray for our Presiding Bishop, the Most Rev. Michael Curry; and the people of the Diocese of Montana and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Marty Stebbins. And in the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of the Anglican Church of South America and their prime bishop, the Most Rev. Gregory Venables. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world. God of love, **Hear our prayers for the church.**

God of freedom, we pray for our nation and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Unite the human family in bonds of love. God of freedom, **Hear our prayers for the world.**

God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of abundance that you have given us. God of justice, **Hear our prayers for the earth.**

God of peace, we pray for this community: For our schools, neighborhoods, and workplaces. Give us courage to strive for justice and equality among all people, beginning here at home. God of peace, **Hear our prayers for this community.**

God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need: For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, for the lonely and those who mourn; and for those we name now _____. Awaken in us compassion as we seek and serve Christ in all persons. God of mercy, **Hear our prayers for all who are in need.**

God of grace, we pray for those who have died: For those lost to the pandemic; for military personnel and public servants who have given their lives in service to our nation; and for those we name now _____. God of grace, **Hear our prayers for those who have died.**

Hear our prayers, Holy God. Breathe your Spirit over us and all the earth, that barriers would crumble and divisions cease. Make us more fully your co-healers of the broken world. Unite us with all people in bonds of love, that the whole earth and all its peoples may be at peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

Clergy The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements

Anniversary & Birthday Blessings

May the strength of God pilot you, May the power of God preserve you, May the wisdom of God instruct you, May the hand of God protect you, May the way of God direct you, May the shield of God guard you against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world. May the Spirit of God bless you in the coming year.
Adapted from Patrick, c.389 - c.46

Offertory

Simple Song from "Mass"*

Leonard Bernstein

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

A Proper Preface is said here.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

**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.**

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Communion

Communion Music

If With All Your Heart

Felix Mendelssohn

The Postcommunion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Clergy May the heavens bless you.
May sun shine on you.
May the rain dance on your upturned face
May the stars make you wonder and smile.
May the bounty and beauty of the earth bless you, and may you bless the earth in planting and
protest and sharing food.
And may God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer bless you now and forever.

All **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Hymn 460
(vs. 1,3,4)

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! bread of Heaven,
Thou on earth our food, our stay!
Alleluia! here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own:
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the eucharistic feast.

Dismissal

Clergy Go now.
 Go and revel in God’s world.
 Go and be creative.
 Go and work for justice.
 Go and love your neighbors.
 Go and walk with God.
 Amen. Alleluia.

All **Amen. Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Postlude

Improvisation on Hyfrydol

Rector	The Rev. Dr. Becky Coerper
Deacon	The Rev. Dr. Charles N. Stewart
Organist/Choirmaster	Kip Coerper
Director of Contemporary Music & Technology	Michael Larkin
Lector	Sharon Arliss
Prayers of the People	Bill Buterbaugh
Ushers	Steve & Wendy Osborne, Mary Marshall

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