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# **The Holy Eucharist**

## **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

### **August 7, 2022 – 9:00 AM**

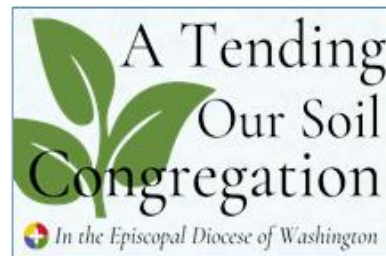
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**We are delighted that you are here!**

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# THE WORD OF GOD

## PRELUDE

What my God wants  
(Gustav Merkel)

[George]

## HYMN 401

The God of Abraham praise

[Ray & Deena]



1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;  
2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;  
3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,

1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;  
2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:  
3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;

1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:  
2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,  
3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,

we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.  
and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.  
and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

[Anna+]

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

*People* And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

[Chorus 2]

## THE COLLECT FOR UNITY

[Anna+]

*Celebrant* God be with you.

*People* And also with you.

[Chorus 2]

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth in our nation, to support one another without hatred or bitterness, that, being bonded in love, we may live in unity with you and one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE COLLECT FOR THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

[Anna+]

*Celebrant* God be with you.

**People** And also with you.

[Chorus 2]

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

God our Thief, you steal from us our dead complacent hearts and kindle a new flame:  
take from our hands the burden of worthless things,  
and make them ready to receive a greater gift: the love of a Servant King;  
through Jesus Christ, the Son of Man.

**People** Amen.

[Chorus 2]

## THE FIRST READING Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

[Greg]

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the Lord,  
you rulers of Sodom!  
Listen to the teaching of our God,  
you people of Gomorrah!  
What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?  
says the Lord;  
I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams  
and the fat of fed beasts;  
I do not delight in the blood of bulls,  
or of lambs, or of goats.  
When you come to appear before me,  
who asked this from your hand?  
Trample my courts no more;  
bringing offerings is futile;  
incense is an abomination to me.  
New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--  
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.  
Your new moons and your appointed festivals  
my soul hates;  
they have become a burden to me,  
I am weary of bearing them.  
When you stretch out your hands,  
I will hide my eyes from you;  
even though you make many prayers,  
I will not listen;  
your hands are full of blood.  
Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;  
remove the evil of your doings  
from before my eyes;  
cease to do evil,  
learn to do good;

seek justice,  
rescue the oppressed,  
defend the orphan,  
plead for the widow.  
Come now, let us argue it out,  
says the Lord:  
though your sins are like scarlet,  
they shall be like snow;  
though they are red like crimson,  
they shall become like wool.  
If you are willing and obedient,  
you shall eat the good of the land;  
but if you refuse and rebel,  
you shall be devoured by the sword;  
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 50:1-8, 23-24**

*[Edwin]*

- 1 The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; \*  
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \*  
God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; \*  
before him there is a consuming flame,  
and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above \*  
to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \*  
for God himself is judge.
- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:  
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you; \*  
for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; \*  
your offerings are always before me.
- 23 Consider this well, you who forget God, \*  
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
- 24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me; \*  
but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God."

**THE SECOND READING Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16***[Lillian]*

A reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**HYMN 594****God of grace and God of glory***[Ray & Deena]*

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;  
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!  
3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;  
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;  
crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.  
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:  
shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.

Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this  
grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these  
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king-dom's  
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -

hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
goal, lest we miss thy king-dom's goal.  
dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL    **Luke 12:32-40**

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

*[Kathryn+]*

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

*[Chorus 2]*

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

*Deacon*      The Gospel of our Savior.

*[Kathryn+]*

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

*[Chorus 2]*

## THE SERMON      **The Reverend Anna Olson**

*[Anna+]*

## 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*[JJ] and [Chorus 1]*

*The prayer leaders and **People** pray responsively. [Chorus 1] will pray the people's responses in bold.*

We have been taught to pray by the Lord. So with one voice we ask for us all, saying:  
Lord, hear our prayer.

To face the promise of life with the courage you give, we pray you, O Lord:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

To face the evil of life with the goodness you give, we pray you, O Lord:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

To face the death of life with the love you give, we pray you, O Lord:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

To face our aged with your unfailing mind, we pray you, O Lord:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

To face our young with your unfailing heart, we pray you, O Lord:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

To face your poor with your unfailing hand, we pray you, O Lord:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

To face all war with loathing, as you do, we pray you, O Lord:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

In the cries of the suffering, we hear the Lord's call to compassion, and we pray for the sick and suffering, especially those we now name: \_\_\_\_\_

God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.  
**May they know the power of your healing love.**

For all those displaced by war, especially in Ukraine and Russia, that the Peace of God which surpasses all understanding may prevail, we pray you, O Lord:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We remember those who have died, especially those we now name: \_\_\_\_\_

Give comfort to those who mourn.

**Bring them peace in their time of loss.**

We pray for ourselves, for our ministries, and for others,  
especially those we name aloud and in our hearts: \_\_\_\_\_

*The Celebrant may invite other prayers, then the Celebrant and the **People** pray the concluding collect together.*

**Grant that we may walk in your presence:**

**your love in our hearts,**

**your truth in our minds,**

**your strength in our wills;**

**until, at the end of our journey,**

**we know the joy of our homecoming**

**and the welcome of your embrace,**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *[Anna+]*

**All** Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned *[Chorus 2]*  
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 our Savior  
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 on you, forgive you all your sins *[Anna+]*  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**THE PEACE** *[Anna+]*

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

**People** And also with you. *[Everyone!]*

**GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS** *[Anna+]*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**THE OFFERTORY** *[Anna+]*

*All are invited to make an offering to support our work of sharing God's love in the community  
and with the world. Online giving and more information for each congregation is below.*

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**INTERLUDE**

**God is love, let heaven adore him**

*[George]*

(arr. George Drumwright)

recorded on a Christophe Étienne harmonium



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

[Anna+]

[Chorus 1] will provide the people's responses in bold.

*Celebrant* God be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us adore the Lord our God.

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

We praise and adore you with all our hearts and minds and strength, O God, for from the very beginning you delighted in your creation. You exulted to play among your sons and daughters. You urged our universe into being, breathing life into the void, and, over primal waters, sending out your Word to call forth the creatures of the deep.

You filled us, also, with your breath of life. Our bodies move in harmony of movement with all that surrounds us. In the dance of creation, the world joins with your Spirit and anticipates the fulfillment of your presence.

**Let the sea roar, and all that fills it.**

**Let the trees clap their hands, and the rivers sing with joy.**

You set us a place in this your garden of delight, where we could take our part in creation. And now, in gratitude, in deep gratitude, we join our voices with all your creatures in ceaseless song:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy and Divine Lover, you have never ceased to bless us, and shower us with gifts. You formed us in your image. You gave us the breath of life, the power to know, the ability to delight, and the desire to share with creation in your abundance.

But how often we have betrayed you, and squandered your gifts! How often we have deceived ourselves, and hurt one another! We sought only after ourselves, and we tried to possess what we were meant to enjoy, leaving us without happiness, fulfillment, or passion.

Yet, you have never abandoned us. Daily you have searched us out and called to us. And when we could only see you as Judge, remote and unapproachable, you came to us tender and vulnerable. You lured us again and again to rekindle our love for you and your creation.

Through the ages, you have endured our fickle wanderings. Dining with Abraham and Sarah, wrestling through the night with Jacob and calling Moses to approach you on bare feet, in ever-new ways you continued to pledge yourself to us. With a shielding cloud in the heat of day and a fiery light in the darkness, you journeyed with your chosen people Israel through the wilderness.

To consummate your love for us, your very Word of invitation became flesh, conceived in Mary's womb as Jesus, your child. Jesus lived among us. He ate and drank with us, in our greatest joys and deepest woes turning no one aside from his care.

We rejected him in the body, nailing him to a tree. But you triumphed over our worst intentions, and raised him bodily from the dead. And our salvation was won.

What gift can we give in return? You gave your only child, that we might have life. We offer you ourselves, our souls and bodies. And we set this table: Bread and Wine, crafted from the fruit of your creation, for us to share.

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."

We remember. Gathered again at this table, laying before you this bread, this wine, and ourselves, our souls and bodies, we declare our vow of love:

**Christ you dwelt among us.**

**Christ you died at our hands.**

**Christ you rose again.**

**Christ we long for your return.**

Divine love, Holy wisdom, Author and Source of all, come down upon this meal of bread and wine. By your Holy Spirit, make this bread and wine the gift of your presence, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

**Embrace your people, O God.**

Praise to you, O Lord, for the goodness of this food and drink. As we take the bread on our tongue, the wine to our lips, we ask you to feed us with your presence, now known to our senses. By your Holy Spirit, make us also holy, that we may receive your gifts without shame or anxiety, and be united with you and one another through this Sacrament of your Love.

**Embrace your people, O God.**

May your redemption spread from this feast across the whole creation, that all may be cleansed and made new in You. Draw us again to live beneath your shadow, that we and all creation may flourish as a garden and blossom like the vine.

**As this bread was scattered over the hillsides and then was brought together and made one, so let all your people be brought together from the ends of the earth into your Kingdom.**

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you, our God and Creator, in voices of unending praise. **AMEN.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*[Anna+]*

**Our Father in heaven,**

*[Chorus 1]*

**hallowed be your Name,**

**your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**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

*Celebrant*     Whoever comes to me shall not hunger, *[Anna+]*  
and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.  
Eat, my friends, and drink, and be alive with joy and love.

*The Celebrant invites those with consecrated wafers to consume them at this time.*

**HYMN #304 (verse 1)     *I come with joy to meet my Lord*** *[Sung]*

**I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free,  
in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** *[Anna+]*

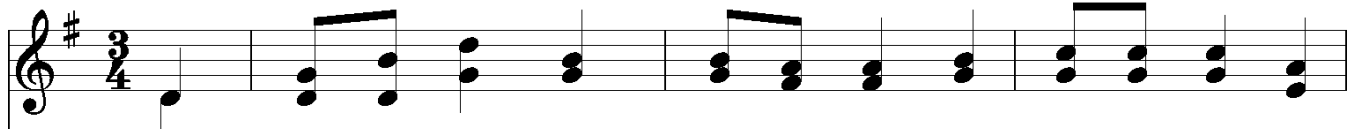
*Celebrant*     Let us pray.

***People*     Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously** *[Chorus 1]*  
**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.**

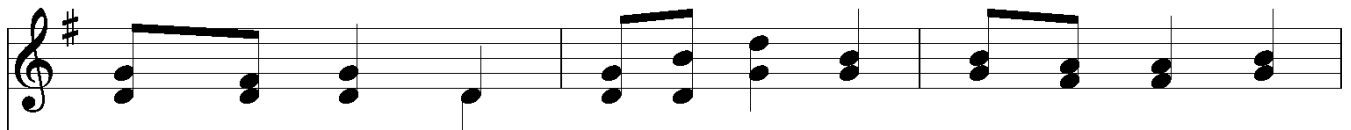
**THE BLESSING** *[Anna+]*

*Celebrant*     Go forth into the world in peace. Be of good courage.  
Hold fast to that which is good; render no one evil for evil.  
Strengthen the fainthearted. Support the weak.  
Help the afflicted and honor all persons.  
Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit  
and the blessing of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit  
be upon you and remain with you always.

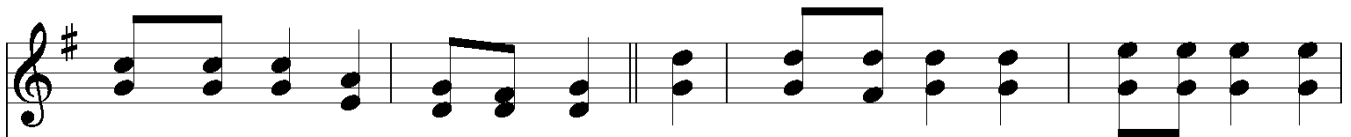
***People*     Amen.** *[Chorus 1]*

**LEVAS 99****On Christ the Solid Rock***[Ray & Deena]*

1. My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus' blood and  
2. When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on His un -  
3. His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood, Sup - port me in the  
4. When He shall come with trum - pet sound, O may I then in



1. right - eous - ness; I dare not trust the sweet - est frame, But  
2. chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and storm - y gale, My  
3. whelm - ing flood; When all a - round my soul gives way, he  
4. Him be found; Dressed in His right - eous - ness a - lone, Fault -



1. whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
2. an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the so - lid Rock, I stand, All  
3. then is all my hope and stay.  
4. less to stand be - fore the throne.



oth - er ground is sink - ing sand, All oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

**DISMISSAL**

*Deacon* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit! *[Kathryn+]*  
*People* Thanks be to God! *[Chorus 1]*

**POSTLUDE****Trumpet Tune Duet**  
(Jeremiah Clarke)*[George]*

# **The Holy Eucharist**

## **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

### **August 7, 2022 – 9:00 AM**

#### **WORSHIP LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

##### **GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

- The Rev. Anna Olson – Celebrant & Preacher *[Anna+]*
- The Rev. Kathryn McMahon – Deacon *[Kathryn+]*
- Ray Groshong – Virtual Verger & Host *[Ray]*
- George Drumwright – Director of Music & Organist/Pianist *[George]*
- Lector: First Lesson – Greg Wood *[Greg]*
- Lector: Second Lesson – Lillian Luksenberg *[Lillian]*
- Chorus 1 – Deena & Ray Groshong *[Chorus 1]*
- Contributing Musicians & Vocalists – Deena Groshong, Ray Groshong

##### **TRANSFIGURATION PARISH**

- The Rev. Kent Marcoux – Rector (on vacation) *[Kent+]*
- Elton King – Director of Music & Organist/Pianist *[Elton]*
- Contributing Vocalists: Transfiguration Parish Choir *[Choir]*
- Psalmist – Edwin Bruno-Gaston *[Edwin]*
- Prayers of the People – JJ Boulin *[JJ]*
- Chorus 2 – JJ Boulin *[Chorus 2]*
- Contributing Musicians & Vocalists – JJ Boulin, Gail Carter, Tony Kasule, Gina McBean-Linton, Kellie Renich, Dave Stoddard