

# THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**SUNDAY 31 JULY 2022** 

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

8:00 A.M.

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### THE WORD OF GOD

#### **Opening Acclamation**

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#### The Collect for Purity

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Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

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#### The Collect of the Day

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O Lord, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church, and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succor, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### The Lesson: Colossians 3:1-11

NRSV, p. 1075

Commentary: As continued motivation for his readers to turn away from false teachers, Paul reminded them of their union with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection. For believers, Christ is the treasury where wisdom is found and our lives are hidden in Him. Paul urged his readers to separate from the practices of their former way of life in order to experience all that Jesus Christ could produce in and through them. Everyone united to Christ by faith is a new creation, and part of a new creation, where external distinctions of race, nationality, culture or social standing make no difference. In the supremacy and sufficiency of Jesus Christ, all merely human divisions become irrelevant.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things-- anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

#### Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

### The Gospel of the Lord.

#### Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon

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