



THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

SUNDAY 4 AUGUST 2024

10:15 A.M.

Prelude	“Adagio”	<i>from Fantasie in C Major, Op.16</i>	Cesar Franck
Opening Hymn 522	“Glorious things of thee are spoken”		<i>Austria</i>

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation	The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355
Collect for Purity	p. 355
Gloria in excelsis S280	Robert Powell
The Collect of the Day	p. 232

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: 11:26–12:13a The Holy Bible; *NRSV*, p. 281

Commentary: David learned that the consequences of sin can extend far beyond the scope of the initial transgression. God graciously gave David time to confess his sins of adultery and murder (see 2 Samuel 11:1-18) but when he did not, the Lord sent the prophet Nathan to confront him. Nathan's parable appealed to David's compassion as a shepherd and he reacted emotionally, perhaps partly because of his own guilty conscience. God had done great things for David, but David had despised God by disobeying His word. David recognized, accepted and confessed his sin and received forgiveness from God.

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD, and the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, “There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.” Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, “As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.”

Nathan said to David, “You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the LORD: I will raise up trouble

against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.” David said to Nathan, “I have sinned against the LORD.”

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51:1-13

Antiphon the antiphon is first sung by the Cantor, then repeated by all

Miserere mei, Deus



- 1 Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your loving / **kindness**; *
in your great compassion blot out my of- / **fenses**.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my / **wickedness** *
and cleanse me from my / **sin**.
- 3 For I know my trans- / **gressions**, *
and my sin is ever be- / **fore me**.

ANTIPHON

- 4 Against you only have I / **sinned** *
and done what is evil in your / **sight**.
- 5 And so you are justified when you / **speak** *
and upright in your / **judgment**.

ANTIPHON

- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my / **birth**, *
a sinner from my mother's / **womb**.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep with- / **in me**, *
and will make me understand wisdom / **secretly**.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be / **pure**; *
wash me, and I shall be clean in- / **deed**.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and / **gladness**, *
that the body you have broken may re- / **joice**.

ANTIPHON

- 10 Hide your face from my **sins** *
and blot out all my in- / **iquities**.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O / **God**, *
and renew a right spirit with- / **in me**.
- 12 Cast me not away from your / **presence** *
and take not your holy Spirit / **from me**.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help / **again** *
and sustain me with your bountiful / **Spirit**.

ANTIPHON

The Epistle: Ephesians 4:1–16

p. 1068

Commentary: Previously Paul prayed that God would strengthen and unify the Ephesians through the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit, and now he described what that unity looked like. Three virtues contribute to unity within the church: humility, gentleness and patience. The essence of unity is that all believers acknowledge one Lord, Jesus Christ, the head of the church. The unity of the church is due to God's reconciling grace. The diversity of the church is due to the gifts God distributes to church members. Everyone contributes to the spiritual growth of the church as they use their particular abilities in service to God and to others.

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

“When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.”

(When it says, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and

teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

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

Sequence Hymn 339 "Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness" *Schmücke dich*

The Holy Gospel: John 6:24–35 *NRSV*, p. 974

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

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

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

The Sermon *Carla Shores, Aspirant for Holy Orders*

The Nicene Creed p. 358

Prayers of the People - Form III p. 387

Confession of Sin and Absolution p. 360

The Peace p. 360

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem "Panis Angelicus" *Sara Westermarck, soprano* Franck

Panis angelicus
 fit panis hominum;
 Dat panis coelicus
 figuris terminum:
 O res mirabilis!
 Manducat Dominum
 pauper, servus et humilis.

Thus Angels' Bread is made
 the Bread of man today:
 the Living Bread from heaven
 with figures dost away:
 O wondrous gift indeed!
 the poor and lowly may
 upon their Lord and Master feed.

Presentation Hymn 380

third stanza only

Old 100th

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer A p. 361

Sanctus S129 “Holy, holy, holy Lord” Powell

The Lord’s Prayer p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread p. 364

Fraction Anthem: S152 Mason Martens

The Communion of the People *Gluten-free wafers are available at the main altar upon request.*

Communion Hymns

Hymn 335 “I am the bread of life” *I am the bread of life*

Hymn 343 “Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless” *St. Agnes*

Hymn 309 “O Food of pilgrims given” *O Welt, ich muss dich lassen*

The Postcommunion Prayer p. 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

**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.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 307 “Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor” *Bryn Calfaría*

The Dismissal p. 366

Postlude “Allegro Moderato” G.F. Handel



Downtown

Celebrant: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.

Preacher: Carla Shores, Aspirant for Holy Orders

Interim Director of Music: The Reverend Dr. William J. Weisser

Mt. Lebanon Chapel

Celebrant: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon

Preacher: The Reverend Doug Hodsdon

Music: Steve Mueller

St. Mary’s, Burgaw

Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Bill Milholland

*The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
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