

The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost – Proper 12

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Musicians

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Prelude

The Word of God: Rite One

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Opening Song

O Worship The King, All Glorious Above

Hymn 388

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

The Celebrant continues

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.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Glory to God

Hymn S280

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

1 Kings 3:5-12

At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne

today. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in.

And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 119:129-136

Mirabilia

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- 129 Your decrees are wonderful; *
therefore I obey them with all my heart.
- 130 When your word goes forth it gives light; *
it gives understanding to the simple.
- 131 I open my mouth and pant; *
I long for your commandments.
- 132 Turn to me in mercy, *
as you always do to those who love your Name.
- 133 Steady my footsteps in your word; *
let no iniquity have dominion over me.
- 134 Rescue me from those who oppress me, *
and I will keep your commandments.
- 135 Let your countenance shine upon your servant *
and teach me your statutes.
- 136 My eyes shed streams of tears, *
because people do not keep your law.

Romans 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else?

Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Then, all standing, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Homily

The Rev. Lecia Diaz Brannon

Musical Response

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 are adapted from Form 6, in our Book of Common Prayer.

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. (Silence)

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;
People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;
People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;
People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; we pray especially for the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, that they may have a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be.
People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader For Michael our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai and Hector, our Bishops; Lecia, our priest; Nancy, our deacon; and the People of Calvary Church.
People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. (Silence)
We pray for those who are ill, especially and those we now name silently or aloud Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life (The People may add their own thanksgivings) We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We especially pray for and those we now name silently or aloud Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you.**

Leader Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer for Rector Search

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for Calvary, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen..

The Dismissal

Priest Alleluia, Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Closing Hymn

Spread, O Day Of God, Draw Nigh

Hymn 601

We ask God's healing grace for the current concerns of: Maria Alvarez, Barbara Ambrose, Sandy Bachman, Sammie Bagozzi, David Barnhart, Marty Bush, Brett Butler, The Campbell Family, Ruth Carrell, Millie Cordero, Jordan and Michael Crowe, Celeste Good, Rev. Scotty Innes and Family, James Iversen, Ginger Jackson, Darcy Johnson, Deondre Joiner, Aggie Kendrick, Joan Ketchmark, Griff Linsenmayer, Dorothy Lyons, Mike McClelland, Charlene McLemore, Kelly Murley, Butch Oliver, Jan Ritchie, Joy Robertson, Richard Schori, Jack Smith, Jack Stephens and family, Toni Soderholm, Luther & Jeannette Stacy, Tammy Strauss and family, Lisa Traylor, Lindsay Troche, Ranti Valdez, Debbie Werner, Bruce Whitney.

We ask God's healing grace for all people currently suffering from the effects of the COVID-19 virus, all caring for the sick, all mourning the lives lost to the virus and all people living in fear, uncertainty and disruption.

For the continuing concerns of: Ashley Bull, Chris Bull, Myra Bull, Jalie Carrasco, Diane Childs, Evelyn Deiss, John Durfey, Sally Farnum, Leanne Fleckenstine, Jeanette Hamman, Tia Hamman, Carol Hensley, Tasha Hernandez, Jeremy Hillis, Chelsea Hagan, Gene Hooten, Ann Kidida, Chris Kilgard, Charles & Brenda Kveton, Jane Lewis, Belisario Lumbreras, Dave Maschek, Joyce Matuszewski, Diane McCabe, Rock Owens, Efrain Perales, Jane Rau, Margaret Richardson, Donald Sessamen, Herman Sieck, Gavin Strimple, Joyce Strimple, Flavio, Efy & Thomas Toledo, Virgil Ureña, Kelly Wallis, Mark Warner, Eric Wehner, Sterling Wehner, Kelley Williams, Peggy Young.

May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace: Kathy Hoy Rutsky

Please keep Dale Butler, Jack Butler, Richard Carrell, Paul Easter, Jr., Tyler Freeman, Alex Iversen, Caleb Kilpatrick, Don Michael, Taylor Moran, Terra Suttill, Ryan Trenck, Jim Williams, Michael Willis, Isaiah Jose Zarate, and all the members of our armed forces who are serving in peace keeping missions throughout the world in your prayers.



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