



The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

26 July 2020 AD

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Prelude

Opening Hymn 388 “O Worship the King”

- 1 O worship the King, all glorious above!
O gratefully sing his power and his love!
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.
- 2 O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm. . . .
- 5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
thy mercies how tender! how firm to the end!
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

Opening Sentences

Priest: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

***People:* And also with you.**

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

Hymn of Praise: *Gloria in Excelsis Deo*
metrical version tune Festal Song

- 1 Glory to God on high And peace to all on earth;
Lord God, almighty Father, King, We praise you for your worth.
- 2 Lord Christ, the Lamb of God, You take our sin away;
Now seated at the Father’s side, Have mercy when we pray.
- 3 You are the Holy One, Most High, Lord Christ, alone,
You and the Holy Spirit with The Father on the throne.

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Priest: Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect of the Day

Lesson

A Reading from the First Book of Kings. 1 Kings 3:5-12 *The Word of the Lord.*
[*People: Thanks be to God.*]

Gradual Psalm 119:129-136 *Anglican Chant by the Quartet*

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.

Epistle

A Reading from the Letter to the Romans. Romans 8:26-39 The Word of the Lord. [People: Thanks be to God.]

Sequence Canticle: A Song of the Redeemed

metrical version tune Azmon

1 O ruler of the universe, Lord God, your mighty hand,
Has done great works, surpassing all That we can understand.
2 Your ways are ways of righteousness And truth, eternal King;
Who then can fail to worship you, Your praises fail to sing?
3 You only are the Holy One; All nations will draw near
Because your works have been revealed And bow in holy fear.

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthem. [People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.] Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 The Gospel of the Lord. [People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.]

The Sermon *silence for reflection follows the sermon*

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.

Prayers of the People: Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence, during which the People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace *Reach out to someone today to share God's peace.*

Offertory Sentence

Anthem

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give him 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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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:

Celebrant and People (spoken)

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.

Then the Celebrant continues Great Thanksgiving until ...

... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant resumes the Great Thanksgiving until ...

... now and for ever. AMEN.

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

Officiant and People pray the Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Officiant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: ***Therefore let us keep the feast.***

After the priest takes the Body and Blood of our Lord, a time of Spiritual Communion is offered. Please join in this Prayer.

In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to God, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church. Let me never be separated from you. Amen.

A period of devotion marked by instrumental music. Please see the announcement following about receiving communion this week.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 779 [WLP] “The Church of Christ”

- 1 The Church of Christ in ev’ry age Beset by change but Spirit led,
Must claim and test its heritage And keep on rising from the dead.
- 2 Across the world, across the street, The victims of injustice cry
For shelter and for bread to eat, And never live until they die.
- 3 Then let the servant Church arise, A caring Church that longs to be
A partner in Christ’s sacrifice, And clothed in Christ’s humanity.
- 4 For he alone, whose blood was shed, Can cure the fever in our blood,
And teach us how to share our bread And feed the starving multitude.
- 5 We have no mission but to serve In full obedience to our Lord:
To care for all, without reserve, And spread his liberating Word.

Dismissal

Priest Let us bless the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Postlude

You are invited to make an appointment to come to the Chapel this week to receive Holy Communion. The Vicar will place consecrated bread on the altar and then stand at a distance to say a prayer. You may then leave the Chapel having communed with our Savior.

On Sundays we receive the gifts of the people for the support of the church and its mission in the world. Please mail your gifts to **The Church of the Messiah, P O Box 70367, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572.**

