

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 8, 2021 — COURTYARD WORSHIP

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Hymn 416** *verses 1, 2, & 4*

For the beauty of the earth

*Dix*

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies,  
*Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light, *Refrain*

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, *Refrain*

*— Text: Folliot Sandford Pierpoint (1835–1917), alt.*

**Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity**

Blessed be God: Most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

**And blessed be God's reign, now and forever. Amen.**

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

**Song of Praise**

Praise and thanksgiving

*Bunesson*

Praise and thanks - giv - ing, God we would of - fer, For all things  
liv - ing You have made good. Har - vest of sown fields, Fruits of the  
or - chard, Hay from the mown fields, Blos - som and wood.

**Collect of the Day**

God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we,  
who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

**Reading** *seated* Ephesians 4:25–5:2

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us,  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 34:1-8** *said responsively by whole verse*

I will bless God at all times, \*  
and praise shall ever be in my mouth.

**I will glory in the Most High; \*  
let the humble hear and rejoice.**

Proclaim with me the greatness of God; \*  
let us exalt God's Name together.

**I sought, and God answered me \*  
and delivered me out of all my terror.**

Look upon the Most High and be radiant, \*  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**I called in my affliction, and God heard me \*  
and saved me from all my troubles.**

The angels encompass those who fear God, \*  
and God will deliver them.

**Taste and see that God is good; \*  
happy are they who trust in the Most High!**

**Gospel Alleluia** *standing as you are able*

Bernadette Farrell (b. 1957)

Al - le - lu - ia! Your words, O Lord, are spi - rit and life.

Al - le - lu - ia! O - pen our hearts to your word.\_\_\_\_

**The Gospel** John 6:35, 41-51

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" Jesus answered them,

“Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*All repeat the sung Alleluia.*

**Sermon** The Rev. Joshua Daniel, Ph.D.

*A period of silence will be observed after the sermon.*

**Nicene Creed** *standing as you are able*

**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**

*Celebrant* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Intercessor* For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Mariann our Bishop, and all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for those who suffer, especially the victims of institutional racism and those who labor to end it, and also for . . . and those we name now, either silently or aloud . . .

Hear us, Lord.

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially . . . and those blessings we name now, either silently or aloud . . .

We will exalt you, O God our King.  
**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, especially . . . and those we name now, either silently or aloud . . .

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them.  
**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.  
*Silence may be kept.*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**Peace** *The Presider says to the People*

The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*All greet one another in the name of Jesus Christ.*

## **Announcements**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## **At the Offertory**

*The Holy Spirit inspires us to give generously, to extend Christ's mission in this place and the wider world. Please visit <http://tinyurl.com/GivetoSCEC> to make your offering, or you can text to give using your phone. Text "SCEC" to 73256 and you will receive a return text with instructions.*

**Hymn LEVAS II 201** *seated* I've got peace like a river Traditional spiritual

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.  
I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.  
I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

*– Text: Traditional*

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*Please stand as you are able as the offering is brought forward and blessed.*

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

God be with you. **And also with you.**

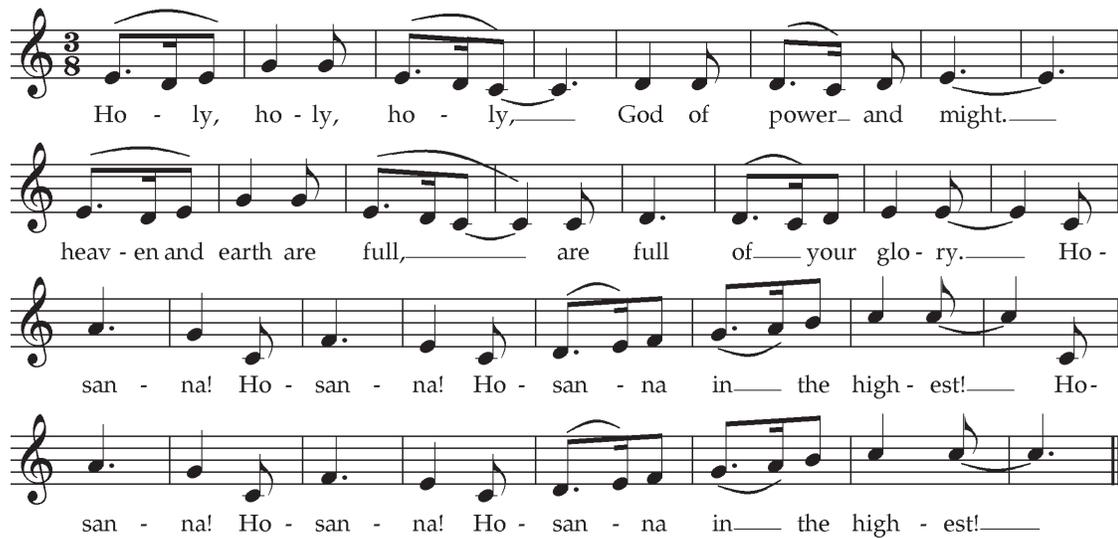
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them unto God.**

Let us give thanks to our Sovereign God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

**Sanctus** *sung by all*

Iona Community



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of power and might. heav - en and earth are full, are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, harmed one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

*Celebrant* On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

*Celebrant* As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

*Celebrant* Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*We alternate seasonally between the traditional and contemporary versions of the Lord's Prayer.*

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

**Our Father in heaven, 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.**

## Breaking of the Bread

*The bread is broken and silence observed.*

## Fraction Anthem

All who hunger gather gladly

*Holy Manna*

All who-hun-ger gath-er— glad-ly;— ho-ly— man-na is our bread.  
Come from-wil-der-ness and— wan-d'ring.— Here in— truth we will be fed.  
You that yearn for days of— full-ness, all a-round us is our— food.  
Taste and— see the grace e-ter-nal.— Taste and— see that God is good.

## Invitation to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome at Christ's table.

## Communion

*Christ welcomes all to communion. ■ Receive the bread in open and outstretched hands. Respond to communion by saying "Amen." ■ If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your chest. ■ Gluten-free wafers are available at each communion station. ■ Baptism is offered several times a year; speak to a priest to learn more.*

## Laying on of Hands and Prayer for Healing

*Healing Prayer is available during Holy Communion in a marked-off section of the Courtyard.*

*All are welcome to participate.*

## Prayer after Communion *standing as you are able*

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, 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.**

## **Sending Forth of Eucharistic Ministers** *when scheduled*

In the name of St. Columba's we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that *N.* may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**We who are many are one body, as we all share one bread, one cup.**

## **Blessing**

*The People respond* **Amen.**

### **Hymn WLP 812**

I, the Lord of sea and sky

*Here I Am, Lord*

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them, they turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

—Text: Daniel L. Schutte

## **Dismissal**

The cross,

**We will take it.**

The bread,

**We will break it.**

The pain,

**We will bear it.**

The joy,

**We will share it.**

The love,

**We will live it.**

Now, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

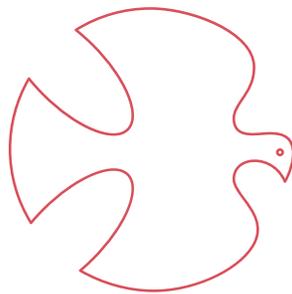
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude**

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