

# CHRIST & SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 3, 2025, 10:15 a.m.

*All page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer. Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal 1982.*

*Service music, marked with an 'S', may be found in the front portion of the hymnal.*

PRELUDE: Meditation on "Christ and St. Luke's"

*Carl Haywood*

*Please stand at the ringing of the bell.*

HYMN 388: O worship the King, all glorious above

*Hanover*

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

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*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: Hymnal S 280

*Robert Powell*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. 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

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

**V**ANITY of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who

did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 49:I-II** (*sung by all*)

Carl Haywood

*Refrain*

I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the  
 Lord, who's my sure de - fense and my friend.

- 1 Hear this all you peoples; hearken all you who dwell in the | world, \*  
 you of high degree and low, rich and poor to|gether.
- 2 My mouth shall speak of | wisdom, \*  
 my heart shall meditate on understanding. *Refrain*
- 3 I will incline my ear to a | proverb \*  
 and set forth my riddle upon the | harp.
- 4 Why should I be afraid in evil | days, \*  
 when the wickedness of those at my heels sur|rounds me, *Refrain*
- 5 The wickedness of those who put their trust in their | goods, \*  
 and boast of their great | riches?
- 6 We can never ransom our|selves, \*  
 or deliver to God the price of our | life; *Refrain*
- 7 For the ransom of our life is so | great, \*  
 that we should never have enough to | pay it,
- 8 In order to live for ever and | ever, \*  
 and never see the | grave. *Refrain*
- 9 For we see that the wise die also;  
 like the dull and stupid they | perish \*  
 and leave their wealth to those who come | after them.

10 Their graves shall be their homes for ever,  
their dwelling places from generation to generation, \*  
though they call the lands after their own | names.  
(2nd part) 11 Even though honored, they cannot live for | ever; \*  
they are like the beasts that | perish. **Refrain**

## THE SECOND LESSON

Colossians 3:1-11

**I**F 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!

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

HYMN 379: God is love, let heaven adore Him

*Abbot's Leigh*

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 12:13-21

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

**S**OMEONE 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."

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## THE SERMON

The Reverend Jared Grant

## THE NICENE CREED

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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, Form VI

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In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

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 Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Susan our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in God's Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*The Priest adds the prayers of the community.*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*The Priest may add thanksgivings.*

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.

*The Priest may add petitions.*

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. *(please kneel)*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; 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.**

#### THE ABSOLUTION

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.**

#### THE PEACE *(please stand)*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: Hear ye, Israel, from Elijah

*Felix Mendelssohn*

Hear ye, Israel, hear what the Lord speaketh:  
Oh, hadst thou heeded my commandments'  
Who hath believed our report!  
To whom is the arm of the Lord revealed!  
Thus saith the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel,  
and His Holy One to him oppressed by tyrants,  
thus saith the Lord: I am He that comforteth!  
Be not afraid, for I am thy God!  
I, the Lord (thy God,) will strengthen thee!  
Say, who art thou,  
that thou art afraid of a man that shall die?  
and forgettest the Lord thy Maker,  
who hath stretched forth the heavens,  
and laid the earth's foundations?  
Say, who art thou!  
I am He that comforteth!  
Be not afraid, for I am thy God!  
I, the Lord (thy God,) will strengthen thee!

*Please stand as the Celebrant approaches the altar.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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*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 God thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS: Hymnal S 129

*Robert Powell*

*The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.*

#### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

*The Celebrant continues...*

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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**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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

### *Communion at Christ & St. Luke's:*

- At the indication of the usher, please move to the center aisle and proceed up the altar rail. Move to the open spot filling in from the center of the rail to the wall.
- Kneel as you are able and place one hand over the other, palms up, to receive the bread.
- To sip from a chalice to receive the wine, consume the bread leaving your palms empty.
- To intinct (dip) your wafer into the wine, hold it between your thumb and forefinger.
- Once the chalices have passed, exit out the side and back down the side aisles to your pew.

Gluten free wafers are available, simply let the priest know you require one. If you prefer not to receive the bread or wine but would like a blessing, gently cross your arms across your chest.

A standing station is also available in front of the pulpit.

## COMMUNION ANTHEMS:

The Call

*Ralph Vaughan Williams*

*For text, please see Hymn 487*

He's got the whole world in His hand  
He's got the whole world in His hand.  
He's got the woods and the waters in His hand,  
He's got the sun and the moon right in His hand,  
He's got the whole world in His hand.

*arr. Margaret Bonds*

He's got the birds and the bees right in His hand,  
He's got the beasts of the field right in His hand,  
He's got the whole world in His hand.

He's got you and me right in His hand,  
He's got ev'rybody in His hand,  
He's got the whole world in His hand.

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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*Celebrant* Let us pray. *(please stand or kneel)*

*People* Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.



THE BLESSING

HYMN 397: Now thank we all our God

*Nun danket alle gott*

THE DISMISSAL

*People*      Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Come Sunday

*Carl Haywood*

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of Katherine Poynter by Robin Reeves.*

## MUSIC NOTES:

Today we welcome organist Dr. Carl Haywood and vocalist Rachel Fillmore who are leading our worship today while our Choir and Pilgrims are in England at St. Paul's Cathedral in London. We thank them for their gifts of beautiful and inspiring music in our worship.

Rachel Fillmore is a graduate of Norfolk State University and is currently pursuing a graduate degree in Vocal Performance at her undergraduate Alma Mater, as well. She performs frequently with the Virginia Opera and was recently featured in scenes from the opera *Treemonisha* (Scott Joplin) produced by Opera for Us. At the Offertory, she sings the dramatic aria "Hear ye, Israel!" which opens part II of Felix Mendelssohn's oratorio, *Elijah*. The aria summons the people of Israel to be not afraid and listen to what God "speaketh." At Communion, Rachel sings, "The Call," also known as *Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life* in most hymnals, from R. Vaughan Williams' *Five Mystical Songs*, with texts by the metaphysical poet, George Herbert (1593-1633). She concludes with the African American spiritual, "He's Got the Whole World in His Hand," a staple in the repertoire of Leontyne Price arranged by the prolific arranger Margaret Bonds, the first African American woman to perform with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

Dr. Haywood writes about his postlude "Come Sunday": As a child, I vividly remember my mother awakening my brother and me on Sunday morning and decrying, "Boys, it's time for church." With each passing minute, a joyful reality overwhelmed me. Yes, it was Sunday, my favorite day of the week! My excitement would heighten upon our arrival at church, as I witnessed hundreds of churchgoers dressed in their Sunday best create a beehive of activity before worship. Every corner, room, or hall had gatherings, meetings, rehearsals, or preparations culminating in the worship service. Ushers, choirs, deacons, trustees, hospitality corps, nurses, and, of course, the pastor contributed handsomely to make worshipping on Sunday a religious extravaganza not to be missed! "Come Sunday" fondly captures the joy and musical reflection of this wonderful day of my youth.

## WE INVITE YOUR PRAYERS

*If you would like to be added to the Prayer List, please contact a member of clergy or BJ Taylor, Facilitator for Pastoral and Congregational Care (taylorasc@aol.com).*

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** The Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. James', Warfield and St. Simon's by the Sea, Virginia Beach.

**All those facing illness, surgery, injury or adversity, especially:** Carter Bernert, Marian Butler-Shaw, Dawson Chambers, Avalon Cuthrell, Keith Ehrhard, Valerie Harrington, Tom Jenkins, Ena Kirkpatrick, Ray Landon, Arthur Menoche, Lucile Palmer, Tobin Palmer, Debra Quitter, Mavis Stapleford, Dwight Vincent, Ann Voight, and Marie Ward. We pray for all who are deployed, especially Jonathan Halbach and Michael Ortiz. We pray for the people of Ukraine. We pray also for peace in the Holy Land and surrounding area and for all who are suffering there.

**Those who ask for our continuing prayers:** LeeAnn Avery, David Black, Dwight Buchholz, David Durica, Marilyn Gindroz, Sam Hedgecock, Frank Kirchner, Wayne Lundie, Jack Mace, Ceil McCoid, Mary Helen McCoy, Elmer Morales-Torres, Leon Parham, George Pearce, Sam Roady, Allen Shaffer, William Swan, Jake Tobin, Anne Traylor, George Vick, and Andre Williams.

**Our loved ones needing continuing prayers:** Ron Baldrige, Ellen Coffman, Jonathan Glaser, Dean Kershaw, James Kilavey, Henley Lanphere, Wesley Lupo, Charlotte Melcher Marett, Jim Moore, Shawn Morlock, Shirlee Palmer, Jason Primm, Auris Torres, Autumn Vandehei, and Alton Wallace.

**This week's Birthdays:** August 4 – 10

Steven Blythe, Ray Gindroz, Lisa Howard, Wills Miller, Mack Nolen, Marj Setnicky, Vicky Snyder, Jeff Tanner, and Connie Williams.

**This week's Anniversaries:** July 28 – August 3

Keith & Shannon Scharnhorst, Andrew & Rachel Tobias, and Joseph & Rachel Welch.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**July 20 – August 3**

While the choir is away and several staff on summer vacation, we will not be printing the parish announcements in the Sunday bulletins. You are invited to read the CSL weekly announcements online and you will continue to receive our Friday emails highlighting any upcoming events and opportunities. Your patience is much appreciated during this break.



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**WORSHIP SERVICES AND FORMATION**

Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel)  
Sunday, 9:15 a.m. Adult Forum & Children's Formation  
Sunday, 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)  
Thursday, 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Chapel)

The Reverend Noah Van Niel, Rector  
The Reverend Jared Grant, Associate Rector  
The Reverend Vince Connery, Assisting Priest  
Kevin Kwan, Organist & Director of Music  
Marjorie Setnicky, Associate Organist  
Kathy Hanna, Director of Family, Youth and Children's Ministry  
Judie Belka, Director of Parish Operations  
Stephen Ipock, Facilities Manager  
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