

# THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

1 October 2023 At 9:15 AM
The Cathedral of the Incarnation
Garden City, New York

## Welcome to Cathedral for Kids - A Mass for the Young and Young at Heart

Everyone is welcome in God's house and we are glad you're here! In the Episcopal Church, we pray using our whole bodies - our minds, our voices, our hands, and our feet. Here are few of the ways we pray together:

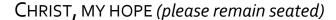
- When we sit, we listen with our ears and our hearts. Sitting helps us be comfortable so we are ready to receive God's Word and hear what God is speaking to our hearts in prayer.
- We also stand when we join our voices together in song. Few things make a community feel more welcoming than singing, and we invite you to participate fully in this Mass. Besides, singing together is fun!
- When we hear the names of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we make the sign of the cross. We touch our foreheads, our chest, our left shoulder, and our right shoulder, making the sign of the cross on our bodies. Look for the + in your bulletin indicating when you can make the sign of the cross!
- **We love our neighbor** by washing our hands, and keeping a safe distance.

In the Church Calendar, we are in the great, green, growing Sundays after Pentecost. Everywhere you look, you will see green! In this season, we are learning what it means to be Christians - people who have the Holy Spirit living with us always.

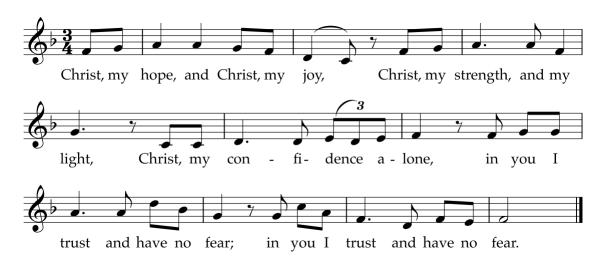
If you are new to the Cathedral and would like to know more about our programs and services, please look for the Welcome Table at the back of the Church, ask one of our members, or email us anytime at <a href="mailto:cathedral@incarnationgc.org">cathedral@incarnationgc.org</a>.

#### **GATHERING MUSIC**

After a brief welcome, we begin our worship time together by joining our voices in several short refrains.

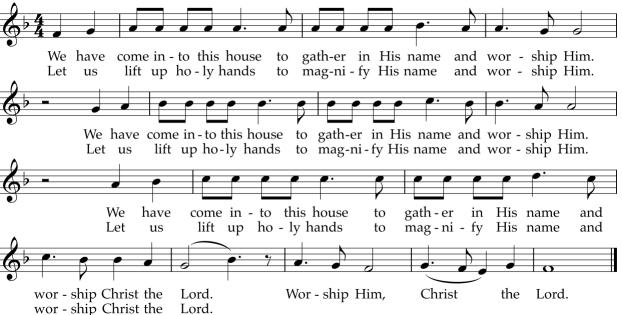


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Bruce Ballinger



#### WELCOME AND ACCLAMATION

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

After the Collect, all sit for the reading

#### PROCLAIM AND RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

#### THE FIRST READING

EZEKIEL 14:29B-32

The word of the LORD came to me: O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

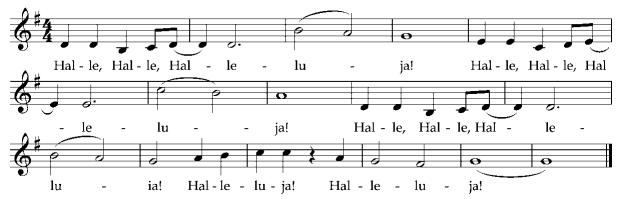
The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (all stand and sing the refrain)

Caribbean Alleluia

All young people are invited to the front to hear the Word of God and to sit on the story rugs for the Sermon.



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 21: 23-28

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON (please be seated)

After the Sermon, we stand to sing as the children return to their places.



WE PRAY FOR THE WORLD AND THE CHURCH Fred Rogers, 1992

*Deacon* We offer our prayers for the Church and for the world.

At the end of each prayer, offer your own prayers silently to God.

Dear God, please inspire our hearts to come ever closer to You. We pray for those people who know us and accept us as we are. Those people who encourage us to see what's really fine in life.

We pray for all the people of Your world, our sisters and brothers whose names we may not know but whose lives are ultimately precious in Your sight. With all our hearts, we pray for all Your children everywhere - yes, everywhere.

And finally we offer our strengths and our weaknesses, our joys and our sorrows to Your never-ending care. Help us to remember all through our lives that we never need to do difficult things alone, that Your presence is simply for the asking and our ultimate future is assured by Your unselfish love.

In our deepest gratitude we offer this prayer. Amen.

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Stand or kneel as you are able

*Deacon* We pray also to you for forgiveness of our sins.

People Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole hearts. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your ways, to the glary of you

and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Presider 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.

#### PREPARE THE TABLE

Please be seated as we sing the Offertory Hymn. When the ushers come to your seat please place your offering in the basket. Today's offering supports the ministries of the Cathedral of the Incarnation.

OFFERTORY HYMN: PAGE 11 OF THIS PROGRAM

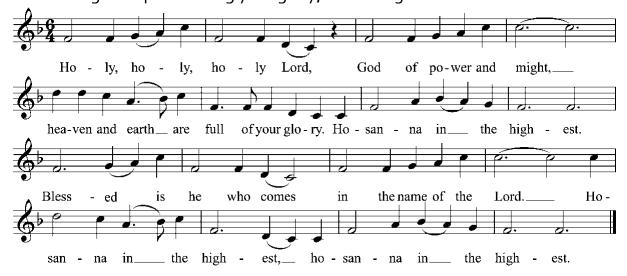
#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider It is a right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. And so we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, as we sing:



On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

### People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts. Let them be for us the Body and Blood of your Son. + And grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be filled with your life and goodness.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

People 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, forever and ever. Amen.

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#### **BREAK THE BREAD**

The Presider breaks the bread.

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance

that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by

thanksgiving.

#### SHARE THE GIFTS OF GOD

All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion in the cathedral. Members of other Christian traditions who receive Communion in their own churches are invited to share in the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Communion may come forward and receive a blessing. If you would like to receive gluten-free Eucharist, please tell the priest when you come forward.

#### COMMUNION MOTET: Praise to God

Praise to God who rules the earth and heaven above. I will sing his praise forever; give him glory, power and praise. Sing praises, he is our strength and refuge; sing his praise for evermore.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (please remain seated)

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER (please stand)

Presider Let us pray.

People 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,

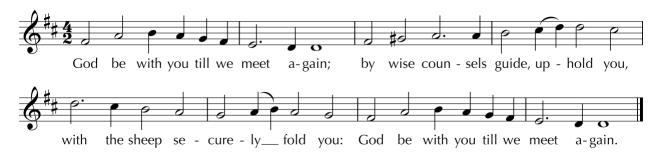
and grant us strength and courage

to love and serve you

with gladness and singleness of heart

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**



#### **BLESSING & EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

Presider The blessing of God Almighty, + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with

you now and forever more.

People Amen.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greet those around you in the name of the Lord. All are invited to Fellowship in Faith, an intergenerational formation and fellowship hour held in the Mercer School of Theology immediately following service.

The Cathedral Choristers return again today and will normally sing two or three times per month. We have welcomed twelve new singers into our program, and they will gradually join the older choristers over the coming months.

Altar flowers for this Sunday are given in loving memory of our parents Fran and Dan Siegmann by their daughters Ruth and Lorraine, and also in loving memory of our Episcopets Tivio, Champy, Sporty, Candy, Penny, Taffy and Impy by their owners Ruth and Lorraine.

#### **Announcements**

Choral Evensong: Creation Care – Today, October 1 at 4pm. Join us for this special service of readings, hymns and music sung by the Cathedral Choir. Evensong will be preceded by a walk on the campus exploring the great variety of trees present, led by Dr. Eric Morgan, Professor of Biology at SUNY Farmingdale, and one of our choir parents. This walk will begin at 3pm at the South Door of the Cathedral.

Blessing of the Animals and Paw-Tober Fest – Saturday, October 14. We will hold our first-ever online Blessing of the Animals at 2pm. Please register via the QR code below to receive the Zoom link before the event. Our in-person Blessing of the Animals service will take place preceded by Paw-Toberfest on the Cathedral grounds. Please check the eNews for full details of the event. We look forward to seeing you on the 14th!

The Grief Support Group offers a different quality of support and connection that comes from being with people who have also experienced a loss. The group meets on Sundays in the library at the Mercer School from 2-3:30pm. Upcoming dates are Oct. 8, Oct 22, Nov. 5, Nov. 19 and Dec. 3. There will be a Blue Mass on Dec. 21 at 7:00pm. Details are in the eNews.

Fellowship In Faith and Cathedral Youth – Our Fellowship in Faith theme this fall is Creation Care, and most Sundays you will find us outdoors after the 9:15am service! Cathedral Youth Group will meet on the first Sunday of the month from 1-3pm. Other Fall opportunities to get involved include the Question of the Month, Confirmation Class, Service Sunday, Our Nursery and the Dean's Forum. For any question, please contact Mo. Kate Salisbury at <a href="mailto:ksalisbury@incarnationgc.org">ksalisbury@incarnationgc.org</a>.

The Center for Spiritual Imagination – Weekly Afternoon Meditation: Tuesdays beginning October 10, 12:30-1:00pm at the Cathedral. You can join the 12pm Eucharist or simply arrive at 12:30pm for the meditation. Weekly Meditation and Contemplative Prayer: Tuesdays beginning October 10, 7-7:30pm, online only: check eNews for Zoom link.

We pray for those who have died, and for those grieving the death of a loved one, that they may find comfort and peace.

For further information, please sign up for our eNews every Friday morning at <u>incarnationgc.org/connect/e-news</u> or email us at <u>Cathedral@IncarnationGC.org</u>



Scan the code above to register for the **online** Blessing of the Animals on October 14 at 2pm.

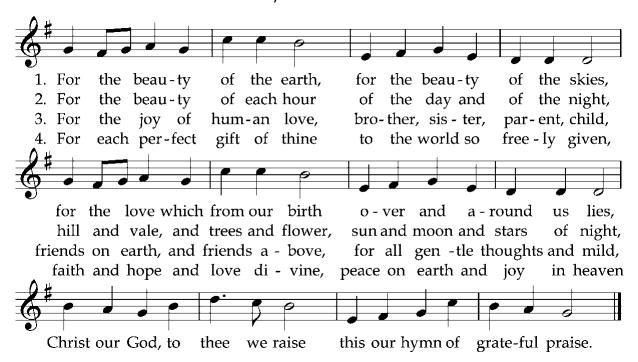
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#### OFFERTORY HYMN: For the beauty of the Earth



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#### WEEKDAY LITURGIES AT CATHEDRAL OF THE INCARNATION

Weekday Eucharist: Tuesday - Thursday at 12:00 noon in the Cathedral Online Morning Prayer: Tuesday through Friday at 8:45am Online Compline: Tuesday through Friday at 8:45pm



From the Brooklyn Bridge to Montauk Point
A house of prayer for Long Island