

Henrico Parish  
**The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**  
August 12, 2018  
10:00 a.m.  
**Holy Eucharist, Rite II**

Welcome to St. John's Church. We are glad you are here. If you are new to us today and have any questions about our worship, do not hesitate to ask our ushers or one of our members in the pews. Here is some information to assist you:

The Nursery is located in the Parish Hall and is available during the service.

Children's Chapel—School-aged children are invited to spend the first part of the service in Children's Chapel in the Keeper's Cottage. Ask an usher for directions. Children are always welcome to remain in church during service.

Restrooms are located in the Parish Hall and behind the church.

The Book of Common Prayer is red.

The Hymnal is blue. Numbers preceded by "S" are in the front of the hymnal.

**Service Music Cards** Each pew should have music cards providing service music for the season, to be referred to where indicated in your service bulletin. If your pew is missing a card, please see an usher.

Communion—Everyone is welcome to take communion; this is Christ's table.

Individual Prayers—During communion you may go to the side altar for prayer with a prayer minister.

Food and Beverages—We thank you for not eating or drinking in the church.

**Large Print Copies of the Bulletin are available – Please ask an usher for one.**

**Our Mission**

We are a caring, spiritual community, joyfully embracing and nurturing all;  
serving God, each other, and the community.

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**The Word of God**

**Prelude**

**Processional** "We the Lord's people, heart and voice uniting"

**Hymnal 51**

*All standing, the Celebrant says*

**Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 355**

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

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

**The Collect for Purity**

**BCP 355**

**Gloria** *Please refer to service music card in your pew (Music Card)*

**The Collect of the Day**

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.*

**The First Reading**

**2 Samuel 18:5-9,15,31-33**

The king ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab's armor-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him. Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man." The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**The Response** *Sung in unison*

**Psalm 130**

*De profundis*

Metrical setting: Christopher Webber

Tune: *Conditor alme siderum*

1. Out of the depths we call to you,  
Lord, hear our voices, heed our prayer;  
Look with compassion on our plea,  
Weigh our petition, Lord, with care.
2. For if you note each sinful deed,  
Lord, who could stand when you appeared?  
With you forgiveness will be found,  
And therefore, Lord, you shall be feared.

3. More certainly than watchmen wait  
To see the daylight first appear,  
Do our souls wait upon the Lord;  
We wait in trust and holy fear.

4. O Israel, wait upon the Lord,  
For with the Lord is mercy found;  
Who pardons us of all our sin,  
In whom true liberty abounds.

**The Second Reading**

**Ephesians 4:25-5:2**

So then, 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.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn** “God is love and where true love is”

**The Holy Gospel** *Please stand*

All stand.

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* 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.”

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon**

Sarah Kye Price

**The Nicene Creed**

**BCP 358**

**Hymnal 577**

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

**The Prayers of the People**

One year ago today, hatred marched in Charlottesville and was met by love. Today, we remember and commit ourselves to that love. We gather to pray for our world, our selves, and this congregation. Our response to “God, in your goodness” is “hear our prayer”.

We pray for an end to hatred, bigotry, racism, misogyny, anti-Semitism, homophobia, transphobia, and xenophobia. Empower us to stand against such hate and to bring about your kingdom. Allow us to see You in anyone we would see as the other. God, in your goodness, **hear our prayer**.

We pray for our nation and its leaders. We pray for Donald, our president and Ralph, our governor. We pray for all elected members of legislative bodies and unelected policy makers. We pray for all members of the judiciary. Give them the courage to make the good, right, holy, and hard decisions and not seek easy answers. And grant us strength and courage to hold them accountable for their actions in our names. God, in your goodness, **hear our prayer**.

We pray for your Church, that it may be a holy place of witness, a healing place of rest, and a continuous place of challenge. God, in your goodness, **hear our prayer**.

O God, creator of life and giver of gladness, let us be your Beacon on the Hill, shining your light so brightly that others may come to know you, to love, and to be loved. Help us to reach out to those around us, bearing fruit through acts of kindness, welcome, and fellowship. God, in your goodness, **hear our prayer**.

We pray for this community. Grant us strength to stand in unity but not uniformity. Enfold us with your grace to respect and love each other, even when we disagree. God, in your goodness, **hear our prayer**.

We pray for the poor, the neglected, the hungry, the lonely, and those in need. God, in your goodness, **hear our prayer**.

Having prayed for the poor, the neglected, the hungry, the lovely, and those in need, send us into the world to serve and care for them. God, in your goodness, **hear our prayer**.

We pray for the sick, the suffering, the injured, and those who struggle, especially those who we name now. God, in your goodness, **hear our prayer**.

We pray for the dying and those who have died, especially Heather Heyer, Lt. Jay Cullen, and Trooper-Pilot Berke Bates, who died in Charlottesville on August 12, 2017, and those who we name now. God, in your goodness, **hear our prayers**.

Gracious and loving God, you are faster to hear than we are to pray. Turn our hearts and our minds to you, this day and evermore. God, in your goodness, **hear our prayer**.

**The Confession and Absolution**

**BCP 360**

**The Peace**

*Please stand.*

**BCP 360**

**Announcements**

**The Offertory Anthem**

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

Sylvia Dunstan, *Holy Manna*

**The Presentation of the Offering**

**Music Card**

**The Holy Communion**

**The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A**

**BCP 361**

**The Sanctus**

**Music Card**

*The Celebrant continues with Eucharistic Prayer A*

**BCP 361**

**The Great Amen**

**Music Card**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP 364**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**The Fraction Anthem**

*Celebrant*            The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All are welcome at Christ’s table. If you do not take communion, you are invited to come for a blessing; simply cross your arms over your chest. Some choose to receive bread only, and those who are allergic to gluten may ask for a glutenfree wafer. Some prefer to dip their bread in the wine rather than sip from the cup. If you would like communion to be brought to you at your seat, please let an usher know.*

**Communion Hymns**

“Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord”    (verses 1-3, 6&7)

“I am the bread of life”

**The Post-Communion Prayer**            *Please stand or kneel.*

**The Blessing**

**Recessional**    “We are called”

**The Dismissal**

*Deacon*    Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*    Thanks be to God!

**Postlude**

**Welcome to St. John’s Church**

If you are seeking a place to explore your faith, we invite you to make St. John’s Church your spiritual home. Please complete a visitor card, found in your pew, and place it in the offering plate to receive our weekly email.

We invite you to join us at coffee hour in the Parish Hall after the service.  
We are eager to tell you about the life and ministries of St. John’s Church.

**Prayer for St. John’s Church**

O God, creator of life and giver of gladness, let us be your Beacon on the Hill, shining your light so brightly that others may come to know you, to love, and to be loved.  
Help us to reach out to those around us,  
bearing fruit through acts of kindness, welcome, and fellowship. Amen.

**BCP 364**  
**Music Card**

**Hymnal 328**

**BCP 365**

**Serving this Morning**  
**Celebrant**  
**Preacher**  
**Children’s Chaplain**  
**Deacon**  
**Seminary Intern**  
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**Lectors**  
**Prayers**  
**Crucifer**  
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**Ushers**  
**Tellers**  
**Greeter**  
**Altar Guild**  
**Nursery**  
**Coffee Hour**

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The Rev. Deacon David Curtis  
Sarah Kye Price  
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Crystal Burgess & Sarah Kye Price  
Kathy Dixon & Ryan Smith  
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