

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence BCP 376

Celebrant Walk in Love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem "Fix Me, Jesus" (arr. Verolga Nix)

At the Presentation H380
(old 100th)

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

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.

Sanctus S125

Setting: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP 364

The Fraction Anthem S154

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

At the Communion of the People H686

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (Nettleton)
"Sing, ye Joyful" (Finnian)

The Post Communion Prayer H492

The Blessing BCP 365

Closing Hymn "Hail, Thou once Despised Jesus" H495 vs. 1-3
(In babilone)

The Dismissal BCP 366

Postlude



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JOHNS MEMORIAL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

July 14, 2024

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II *BCP p.355*

The Very Reverend Doctor Nancy E. Meck, *Rector*

Prelude

Welcome

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn "Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates" H436 (vs. 1, 2)
(*Truro*)

Opening Acclamation

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Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.
Amen.

The Collect of Purity

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Song of Praise: Glory to you
Setting: John Rutter (b. 1943)

S236

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson

Amos 7:15

This is what the Lord GOD showed me: the LORD was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 85:8-13

8 I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
12 The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

Second Lesson**Ephesians 1:3-14**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for

adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight, he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Sequence Hymn "Thy Kingdom Come" (St. Flavian) H615**The Gospel Mark 6:14-29**

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

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason, these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Very Reverend Doctor Nancy E. Meck

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People

As one people called by God, let us pray, saying: Hear us, good Lord.

We say we are not prophets, Lord, nor the children of prophets; yet we are your witnesses. That we may be faithful witnesses, we pray:
Hear us, good Lord.

You have called us and joined us into one body, the church, to hear the cries of the world and to read the signs of our time, to speak where silence needs breaking, to comfort when terror threatens, to support where courage falters, to risk when fear controls. That you may work in us the prophet's vision and power we pray: *Hear us, good Lord.*

The world waits in need, O God. When peace seems within grasp, it somehow slips away. When crops in one nation flourish, famine reigns in another. When technology masters a new frontier, old problems rise to plague it. When chemicals serve our human needs, the environment suffers pollution. While medicines cure the gravest ills, diseases still destroy us. That you will help us in our need, we pray:
Hear us, good Lord.

Help us to understand the complexity of life. Help us to learn from the forces we seek to overcome. Help us trust you. That you will bring our waiting to an end, we pray: *Hear us, good Lord.*

Eternal God, you send us on a journey, as you have sent others before us, to anoint, to heal, to comfort, to cast our demons. For each person in need this day, we pray for the gentle touch of another's caring hand. Especially we pray for Elsie, Annie, Ed, Gail, Kevyn, Nancy, Billy, Chester, Alan, Chuck, Jackie, Robin, Molly, Joan, Elizabeth, Georgia, Read, Tory, Susan, Alexis, Betty, Nan, George & Lynn, and Elizabeth & Savvy. Lavish the riches of your grace upon them, as you have promised. To you, O Healer, we pray: *Hear us, good Lord.*

[All] Creator of the world, sustainer of the church, hear our prayers, accept the praise and thanks of our worship, and grant us that which makes us whole, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Confession of Sin

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The Peace

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