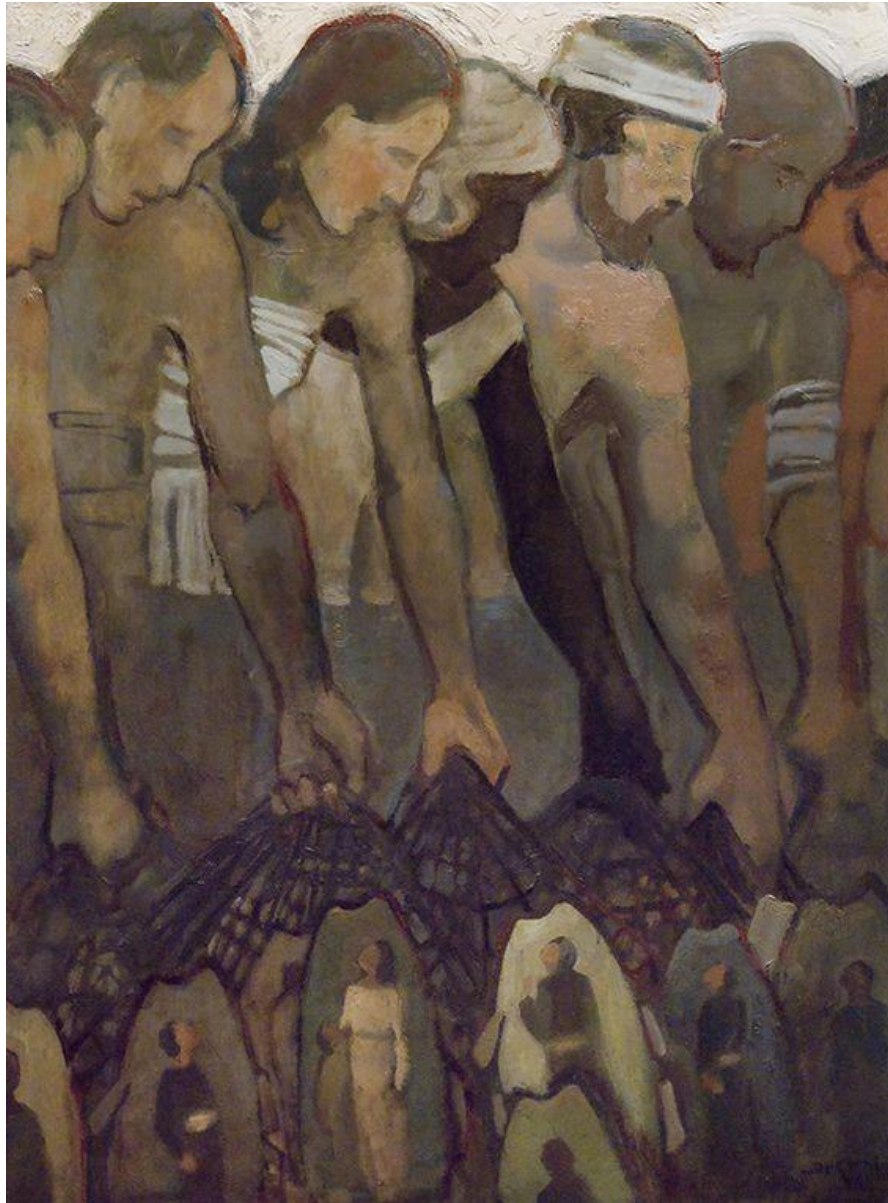


The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, July 30, 2023 at 9am



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Opening Hymn #594 “God of Grace and Glory”

Opening Acclamation

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. 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.

The Gloria

Repeated three times.

Gloria **Taizé 16 Gloria 3**

Canon—4 voices

Gloria 3 / Glory to God

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Music: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994. © 1978, 1980, 1981. Les Presses de Taizé. GIA Publications, Inc., agent

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The Reading: Genesis 29:15-28

Laban said to Jacob, “Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?” Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah’s eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, “I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.” Laban said, “It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.” So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, “Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed.” So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, “What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?” Laban said, “This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years.” Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife. So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 128

*We will read the Psalm responsively. The congregation will read the verses in **bold**.*

1 Happy are they all who fear the Lord,
and who follow in his ways!

**2 You shall eat the fruit of your labor;
happiness and prosperity shall be yours.**

3 Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house,
your children like olive shoots round about your table.

**4 The man who fears the Lord
shall thus indeed be blessed.**

5 The Lord bless you from Zion,
and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

**6 May you live to see your children's children;
may peace be upon Israel.**

The Gospel: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

All standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel

Deacon or Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Libby Berman

The Nicene Creed

Found on the FRONT cover *or* flap of The Book of Common Prayer.

The Prayers of the People: Form I

The Book of Common Prayer p. 383

Parish Prayer List:

Agenhart , Wayne , Heather, John, Todd, Tom, Kate, Michael, Peggy, Lucille, Lance, Ann, Cynthia, Joyce, Sandee, Doris, Sheri, Raj & Renu, Eric & Kathy, Dieter, Katharine, Arthur, Juditha, and Brown.

The Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and 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 heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and says

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

All Stand. The Celebrant says to the people.

‘O ke aloha o ka Haku ka mea e mau loa aku me `oukou.

(The peace of the Lord be always with you!)

The People respond.

A me `oe pū nō ho`i.

(And also with you!)



Yours, O God, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty. For all that is in heaven and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O God, and you are exalted as head above all. (1 Chronicles 29:11)

Offertory Hymn #513 “Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”

The Hawaiian Doxology

Found on the BACK cover of The Book of Common Prayer.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C

The people remain standing.

The Book of Common Prayer p. 369

S-125 The Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Breaking of Bread

You may receive the sacrament in one (bread) or both (bread and wine) kinds. Please come forward to receive the bread first. Then turn toward the Eucharistic Minister if you wish to receive wine from the chalice. (Please take a sip, but do not "intinct" or "dip."). Receiving the bread only is considered a full communion in our church. If you wish to come forward to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your chest as you approach.

S-154 Fraction Anthem: Christ Our Passover

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 there - fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Communion Music

Offered by Lorraine Yamamoto

The Post-Communion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer p. 365

The Announcements & Blessing

Closing Hymn #488 “Be Thou My Vision”

The Dismissal

Deacon or Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!

People Thanks be to God!

The Postlude

Offered by Lorraine Yamamoto, Organist

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**Thank you for joining us today!**

### Ministry Team for Today’s Service

**Clergy:** The Reverends Libby Berman, Jennifer Latham, and Robert Steele

**Reader:** David Callies

**Eucharistic Minister:** Lila Johnson **Intercessor:** Stephen Noerper

**Usher:** Rich Miller **Altar Guild:** Garner Team

**Technical team:** Alex Picken and Thomas Campello

**Music Director:** Chris Suzuki **Organist:** Lorraine Yamamoto

Please join us *next* Sunday for the 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost,  
*The Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ*, Sunday August 6th at 9am  
(in person & on Zoom).