



**The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 15, 2024
8:00 and 9:30 AM**

WELCOME!

You are invited to be a part of this community whether you're arriving for the first time or returning. This bulletin is intended to encourage and enable your enthusiastic participation.

The staffed Nursery is available for little ones during and following the 9:30 service.

Today St. David's ministers travel to Hope Springs at Minnetonka (formerly Lake Minnetonka Care Center) to share both worship and friendship. Please continue to keep all our friends residing there in your prayers.

St. David's Welcomes You

St. David's Episcopal Church is committed to following Jesus' example of practicing radical hospitality, seeking to find God in all people because they are of sacred worth. We respect the dignity of all persons, regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic or marital status. All are invited as full participants in the life and ministries of our community of faith.

Loving God. Loving One Another.

St. David's Mission Statement

We at St. David's Episcopal Church are devoted to loving and serving God, one another and the world. Honoring the dignity and freedom of all to seek God at their own pace, we connect our life stories with the teachings of Jesus. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we believe our actions transform the world and ourselves.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

We Gather in God's Name

Prelude

You Are the Christ

Richard Wayne Dirksen

You are the Christ, O Lord, the Son of God most high!
For ever be adored that Name in earth and sky,
in which, though mortal strength may fail, the saints of God at last prevail!

Opening Hymn

The Summons



1. Will you come and fol - low me If I but call your name?__
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind If I but call your name?__
3. Will you let the blind - ed see If I but call your name?__
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide If I but call your name?__
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true When you but call my name.__



- Will you go where you don't know And nev - er be the same?__
- Will you care for cruel and kind And nev - er be the same?__
- Will you set the pris' - ners free And nev - er be the same?__
- Will you quell the fear in - side And nev - er be the same?__
- Let me turn and fol - low you And nev - er be the same__



- Will you let my love be shown,____ Will you let my name be known
- Will you risk the hos - tile stare____ Should your life at - tract or scare?
- Will you kiss the lep - er clean,____ And do such as this un - seen,____
- Will you use the faith you've found____ To re - shape the world a - round,
- In your com - pa - ny I'll go____ Where your love and foot - steps show__



- Will you let my life be grown In you, and you in me?_____
- Will you let me an - swer prayer In you, and you in me?_____
- And ad - mit to what I mean In you, and you in me?_____
- Through my sight and touch and sound In you, and you in me?_____
- Thus I'll move and live and grow In you, and you in me._____

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Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit.

People

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

Collect for Purity

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.

Song of Praise

Children age 3 - grade 5 are invited to process out during the Song of Praise for Children's Time, returning for communion.



Glo-ry, glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your ho - ly name.____



Glor-y to God in the high-est and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, We



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for__ your glor-y.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



Glo-ry, glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your ho - ly name.____



You take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. You are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, rec - eive our__ prayer. For

you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord. You a-lone are the
Most High, Je-sus Christ, With the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of the Fa-ther.
Glo-ry, glo-ry, hal-le-lu-jah, Lord we praise your ho-ly name.
praise your ho-ly name. A - - - men.

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Collect of the Day

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

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

We Hear and Respond to God's Word

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he awakens--
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear,
 and I was not rebellious,
 I did not turn backward.
 I gave my back to those who struck me,
 and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
 I did not hide my face
 from insult and spitting.
 The Lord God helps me;
 therefore I have not been disgraced;
 therefore I have set my face like flint,
 and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
 he who vindicates me is near.
 Who will contend with me?
 Let us stand up together.
 Who are my adversaries?
 Let them confront me.
 It is the Lord God who helps me;
 who will declare me guilty?

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1-8



I will walk in the pre-sence of the Lord, _____ in the land of the liv - ing.

I love the Lord, for the Lord has heard the cry of my appeal;
 God turned an ear to me in the day when I called. REFRAIN

They surrounded me, the snares of death, with the anguish of the tomb;
 they caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name.
 O Lord, my God, deliver me. REFRAIN

How gracious is the Lord and just; our God has compassion.
 The Lord protects the simple hearts ; I was helpless so God saved me. REFRAIN

Turn back, my soul, to your rest, for the Lord has been good;
 God has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears,
 and my feet from stumbling. REFRAIN

Second Reading

James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

Take Up Your Cross

Hymnal #675

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel Hymn and reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel

Mark 8:27-38

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Ann Carda, licensed lay preacher

Iona Affirmation

Please stand as you are able.

Learn more about today's affirmation in the back of this bulletin.

**We believe in God above us,
maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon, of water and earth,
of female and male and all genders.**

**We believe in God beside us,
Jesus Christ, the word made flesh,
born of a woman, servant of the poor,
tortured and nailed to a tree.
A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief,
he died alone and forsaken.
He descended into the earth
to the place of death.
On the third day he rose from the tomb.
He ascended into heaven,
to be everywhere present throughout all ages,**

and His kingdom will come on earth.

**We believe in God within us,
the Holy Spirit burning with Pentecostal fire,
life-giving breath of the Church,
Spirit of healing and forgiveness,
source of all resurrection and of eternal life.
Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Leader Creator God, by the mercies of your son, our Lord, Jesus, compel us to turn our hearts to his Way of Love. That we might follow Jesus together as your faithful people, we pause, listen, and respond in prayer, saying:
Jesus, guide us in your way.

Jesus, your life, death, resurrection, and ascension inspire the church to continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship. Guide your people to learn your Word, that we might see God's story unfolding in our midst.
We pray together,
Jesus, guide us in your way.

Son of God, you responded to your Father in prayer and pleaded that we might all be one. Guide the leaders and faithful citizens of this nation to respond to God and to one another in compassion – in thought and deed, with or without words – that the people of our nation might live in unity and peace.
We pray together,
Jesus, guide us in your way.

Light of the World, you taught us to worship in spirit and in truth. Lead us to join with others to acknowledge the holiness of God, that the whole world might be united in the truth of your love.
We pray together,
Jesus, guide us in your way.

Lord, you came not to be served but to serve. Empower us to bless one another and our neighbors, that your spirit of generosity, compassion, and selfless action transform us and the people in our midst.

We pray together,
Jesus, guide us in your way.

Savior, you came into our midst that we might know life. Embolden us to go among those who are weary, burdened, sick, or imprisoned, especially... that we might live like you, crossing the boundaries that divide rich from poor, sick from well, and sinner from saint. We pray together,
Jesus, guide us in your way.

Lamb of God, in your death you destroyed death and taught us the way to eternal life. Compel us to daily die to self and rest in your grace. May all who have died, especially..., rest in peace and rise in glory. We pray together,
Jesus, guide us in your way.

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, who gave your life for the life of all, we commit our lives to following you. Continually guide us in your way and draw us into live as your Beloved Community in this age and in age to come; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Confession

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence. You are invited to be seated, to kneel or to remain standing

All **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.**

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

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

We Share in Holy Communion

Please stand, as you are able, while the offerings of bread and wine are presented. You may be seated until the singing of the Doxology, when we ask that you stand once more.

The loose plate offering this morning (and every third Sunday) will go to the Rector's Discretionary Fund. Thank you for your offerings.

You are invited to place prayer cards in the offering plates to be brought forward at the time of the doxology.

Offertory

Offertory

John Ness Beck

With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, shall I come before him with yearling calves?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil?
Shall I give my first-born for my transgressions, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

He has shown you, O mortal, he has shown you what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly, walk humbly with your God?

Based on Micah 6:6-8

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Remain standing as you are able.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our 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-130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, —

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, —

Hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry,

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

from Deutsche Messe, Franz Schubert, arr. Richard Proulx

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

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.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, God of our Mothers; God of Hagar and Sarah, Rebecca, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. 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.

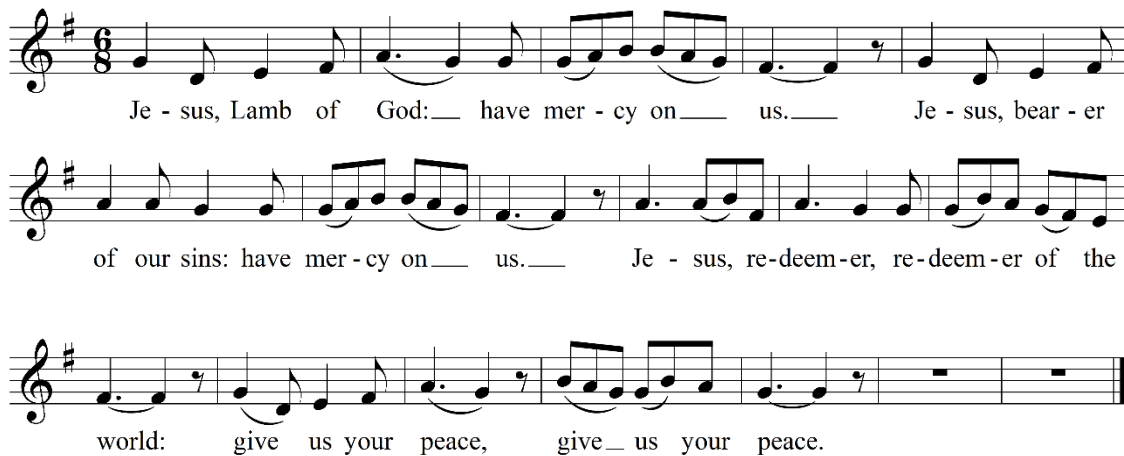
Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

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

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

Hymnal, S-164



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er
of our sins: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re-deem-er, re-deem-er of the
world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

from Deutsche Messe, Franz Schubert, arr. Richard Proulx

Holy Communion

We invite all people regardless of age or denomination to share in the Holy Communion at the Lord's table. Please come forward to receive the bread and wine. When receiving from the common cup, please do not intinct (dip the bread in the wine). If you wish to receive only the bread, you may remain in place at the rail, crossing your arms across your chest when the chalice bearer presents the cup, or return to your seat after receiving the bread. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you will not be receiving communion you are invited to receive a blessing. Please indicate this desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you.

Communion Hymns

From the Nets of Our Labor



1. From the nets of our la - bors, through the noise and con -
2. When we faint and grow wea - ry from the bear - ing of
3. In the eyes of the stran - ger— tear - ful, joy - ous, or
4. When we hear words of ha - tred— spread - ing fear or false
5. In each mo - ment of cou - rage, stead - fast e - ven through
6. Like di - sci - ples be - fore us, from the ci - ty or



fu - sion, from the ci - ty or sea - shore, Je - sus sum - mons us all.
 bur - dens, with a mes - sage of com - fort, Je - sus sum - mons us all.
 frigh - tened in the face of each neigh - bor, Je - sus sum - mons us all.
 wit - ness, words that cry to be chal - lenged, Je - sus sum - mons us all.
 trem - bling; in the yearn - ing for jus - tice, Je - sus sum - mons us all.
 sea - shore, risk - ing self - less com - pas - sion: Je - sus sum - mons us all.



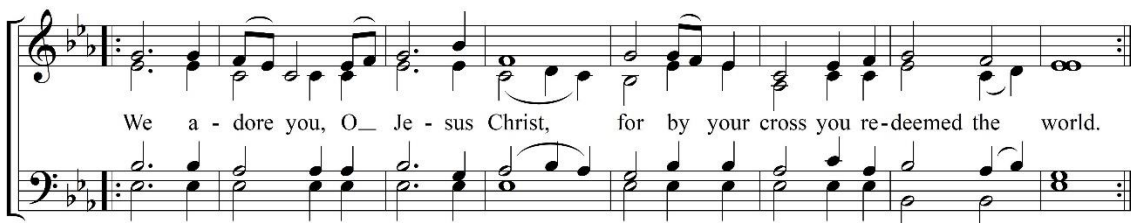
We will rise up and fol - low, Christ be - fore and be - side us,



lov - ing pat - tern to guide us, as we an - swer the call.

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By Your Cross



We a - dore you, O Je - sus Christ, for by your cross you re - deemed the world.

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Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

On those days when the parish sends out Lay Eucharistic Visitors to those who cannot attend the liturgy, the Bread is presented to the Visitors at the altar, using this form.

Deacon In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we share the one bread and the one cup.**

Prayer after Communion

All **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.**

We Go into the World in God's Name

Announcements

The Blessing

Departing

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus



1. I have de - cid - ed ___ to fol - low Je - sus, I have de -
2. The world be - hind me, ___ the cross be - fore me, The world be -
3. Though none go with me, ___ I still will fol - low, Though none go
4. Will you de - cide now ___ to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de -



cid - ed ___ to fol - low Je - sus, I have de - cid - ed ___ to fol - low
hind me, ___ the cross be - fore me, The world be - hind me, ___ the cross be -
with me, ___ I still will fol - low, Though none go with me, ___ I still will
cide now ___ to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de - cide now ___ to fol - low



Je - sus, No turn - ing back, ___ no turn - ing back.
fore me, No turn - ing back, ___ no turn - ing back.
fol - low, No turn - ing back, ___ no turn - ing back.
Je - sus? No turn - ing back, ___ no turn - ing back.

Text and music: Simon Kama Marak. (formerly attr. to Sadhu Sundar Singh)

Dismissal

Deacon

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

We are using an adaptation of the Iona Affirmation in place of the Nicene Creed today. The Iona Affirmation is a re-envisioning of the Nicene Creed. It is found in the Iona Abbey Worship Book. The Iona Community is based off the coast of Scotland, though members also live elsewhere. It is an International Ecumenical Christian movement, working for justice and peace, rebuilding of community and the renewal of worship, with members all over the world.

The Prayers of the People, composed by the Reverend Allison English, Calvary Episcopal Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, incorporates the seven movements/rhythms of the rule of life set forth in Presiding Bishop Curry's invitation to practice the Way of Love, in conversation with Holy Scripture and the Book of Common Prayer. Each bidding calls upon God using scriptural names for Jesus.

Want to read more about what's going on at St. David's? Visit our website stdavidsparish.org or check out the weekly email for announcements!

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