

Sunday, August 20, 2023 Pentecost 12 10:00 A.M.

We're so pleased that you've come to worship with us this morning. While this bulletin is a guide to the service if you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of the Anglican Church, simply relax with the liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. After the service please join us downstairs for coffee, tea and juice.

(Congregational participation in **BOLD**)

HYMN # 429 For the Beauty of the Earth
Tune Blue book #160 DIX (Blue Book)

Celebrant: The grace of God enfold you,
the grace of Christ be in you,
the grace of Spirit be with you.
People: And also with you.

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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 Savior. Amen.

Collect
God whose Holy name defies our definition,
but whose will is known in freeing the oppressed,
make us to be one with all who cry for justice;
that we who speak your praise may struggle for your truth, through Jesus Christ. **Amen** *~ Janet Morley*

First Reading: Genesis 45: 1-15
Reader: John Warkentin
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
Thanks be to God

HYMN # Make Us One
(See Insert)

The Gospel Reading: (*standing*)
God be with you
And also with you
The Good News of Jesus Christ according to Matthew
The Gospel Reading: Matthew 15: 10-20
Reader: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland
The Gospel of Christ
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon – *The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland*

The Prayers of the People – *Spencer Stevens*

Invitation and Peace

OFFERTORY HYMN # 79 Spirit, Open My Heart
(Red Book)

Eucharistic Prayer
Celebrant: May God be with you
People: And also with you
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts
People: We lift them to the Holy One.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to our loving God
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise

Celebrant: It is right in all times,…….
…… in this ancient honour song:……..

Hymn #719 Blue Book)
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosana in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest

Celebrant: We give thanks to you for Jesus, …
……now and forever.

(Hymn #721 Blue Book)
Amen, amen, amen

Meditation on the Lord's Prayer
In awe we come to You again,
You, whose name remains
beyond all naming.
May your will be our will,
Your peace be peace on earth,
and what is broken in our lives
be forgiven and made right.
Grant us today the bread of Your fields.
From the labour of our days
may Your love be the yield.
For You are, have been, and
always will be, our source,

our end, our soul's delight. Juleta Severson-Baker

The gifts of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God

Chant # 95 How Deep the Peace
(Red Book)

THE COMMUNION

HYMN # 61 As We Gather At Your Table
(Blue Book)

Duet: Together By Nathan Grieser - *Denise Lawson and Donna Ruparell*

The Prayer after Communion

Glory to God,
whose power working in us
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the church and in Christ Jesus
for ever and ever. Amen.

Announcements

HYMN # 292 We Cannot Measure How You Heal
(*Blue Book*)

The Dismissal

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