



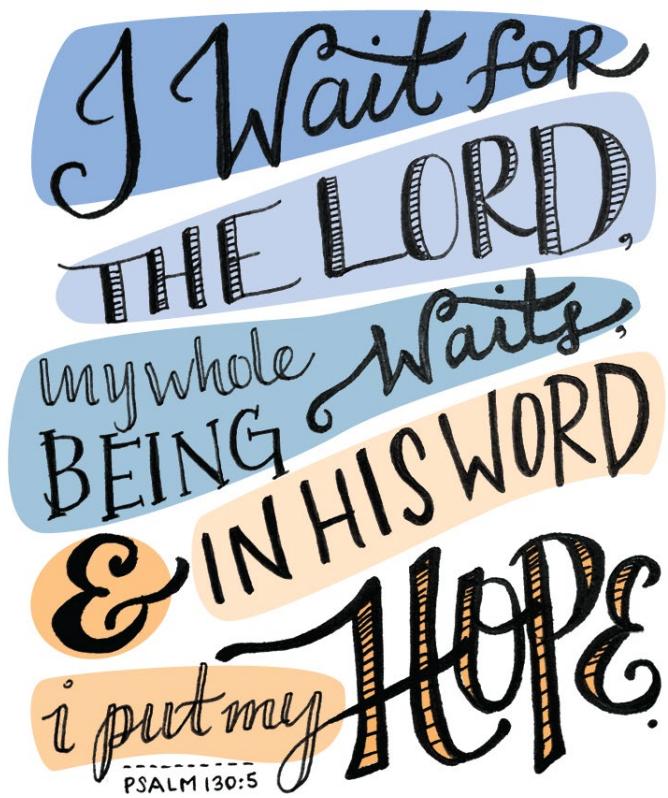
# Church of the Ascension

## THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: PROPER 14

August 8, 2021

9:30 AM

RITE I



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# WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Ascension offers a place of comfort, hope, and peace of mind. We are dedicated to spreading the teachings of Jesus Christ. We are a welcoming and affirming community; we believe God accepts people of every race, culture, age, ability, gender, sexual orientation, educational level and economic status... and so must we.

The only Episcopal church in Frankfort, Ascension is grounded in scripture, tradition, and reason. We hold God's word as sacred, follow the Book of Common Prayer in our worship, and respect the capacity of individuals to explore and discern the truth of God. We invite you to join us, and look forward to meeting you!

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:** Children of all ages are truly welcome and encouraged to attend all church services with their parents. We understand that they have wiggles and need to move around, and we welcome them as part of our worship (noise included!). For the safety of all in our public space, never leave children unattended. Ask an usher about the availability of Nursery services and Godly Play classes for youth.

**RESTROOMS** are at the end of the main hallway (head for the choir stalls, then turn right). A gender-neutral, accessible restroom with a baby-changing table is in the middle of that hallway.

**KEEP IN TOUCH:** If you would like someone from the church to contact you, we invite you to fill out a Visitor Card (available in your pew or from an usher). To receive our weekly online newsletter, either put your email address on a Visitor Card, or send us an email to [info@ascensionfrankfort.org](mailto:info@ascensionfrankfort.org) and we will add you to our list. We invite you to use your smartphone to check in at Ascension on our main Facebook page and also to check out our active Facebook group to see, share and discuss photos, events, announcements and more (search Facebook for *Ascension Frankfort*). Visit our web site at [www.ascensionfrankfort.org](http://www.ascensionfrankfort.org) to see our service schedules, event calendar, announcements, and to find more information about what we believe.

**THE PLACE OF WORSHIP:** As you enter our church, you will find an atmosphere of worship and reverence. The focus of worship in the Episcopal Church is the altar or holy table, and the cross. On and near the altar you will find candles to remind us that Christ is the “light of the world” (John 8:12). On both sides at the front of our church, you will see a lectern or a pulpit. On your right is the lectern where you will see and hear members of our congregation come forward and read from the Scriptures chosen for the service. The preacher usually stands at the pulpit on your left.

**THE ACT OF WORSHIP:** Episcopal or Anglican church services are congregational, or participatory. There will be much movement during the service; **you are welcome to sit, stand, or kneel – whatever is most comfortable for you and aids in your worship.** Feel free to ask an usher to connect you with a church member who would be delighted to sit with you. Also, an usher will hand you a printed program that describes each step in the service. In your pew you will find the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), which enables you and the rest of the congregation to share fully in every service. You will also find Hymnals and Bibles in your pew; however, everything you need to follow the service is included in your bulletin.

Abbreviations used in our bulletin include:

- BCP – for the *Book of Common Prayer*
- Hymn (in front of a number) – for *Hymnal 1982*
- S (in front of a number) –Service Music, located in the front section of *Hymnal 1982*
- LEVAS – for *Lift Every Voice and Sing* hymnal
- WLP – for *Wonder, Love and Praise* hymnal

**HOLY COMMUNION:** The principal service in our church is the Holy Eucharist (Holy Communion). All baptized Christians (of any denomination) are welcome to receive Communion at God's table; as your neighbors rise and go forward to partake, you may participate or not, according to your preference. To receive Communion, come forward and stand or kneel at the altar rail. As you kneel at the altar rail, you will be given a consecrated wafer and sip of wine. You may dip the wafer into the wine (called *intinction*), if you prefer that to drinking from the communal cup. We do use alcoholic wine, which is blessed as the blood of Christ for Holy Communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing in lieu of Holy Communion, come to the altar rail and so indicate by crossing your arms over your chest. If you need Communion brought to you, please let the ushers know.

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST • RITE I

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The Rev. Peter Doddema, *Priest* | The Rev. Dr. William G. Brown, *Assisting Priest Emeritus*  
The Rev. Deacon Rebecca A. Saager, *Curate* | The Rev. Deacon Susan E. Kurtz  
Mr. John B. Martin, *Director of Music & Organist*

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*Due to the current COVID resurgence,  
please read along silently with all song, prayer, and responses.*

## Voluntary

Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir  
(Out of the depths I call to you)

Samuel Scheidt  
(1587-1654)

## The Word of God

### Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant*  
*All*

Blessed by God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

### The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### The Gloria

BCP 324

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

### The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant says to the people*  
**People**

The Lord be with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

BCP 180

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot exist without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

*The people sit. One or two lessons, as appointed, are read,  
the Lector first saying*

A Reading from The Second Book of Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

### The First Lesson

### The Second Book of Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

The king, David, 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!”

*After the Reading, the Lector says*

**All** The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual Psalm

### Psalm 130    *De profundis*

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;  
Lord, hear my voice; \*  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, \*  
O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; \*  
therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; \*  
in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord,  
more than watchmen for the morning, \*  
more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, \*  
for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, \*  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

*The Lector says*

## Second Lesson

A Reading from The Epistle to the Ephesians 4:25-5:2

### The Epistle to the Ephesians 4:25-5:2

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.

*After the Reading, the Reader says* The Word of the Lord.

**All** Thanks be to God.

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

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

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

## The Holy Gospel

### The Gospel According to John 6:35, 41-51

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.”

*After the Reading, the Deacon says*

**All** The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

John B. Martin

*All*      We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
    he came down from heaven:  
    by the power of the Holy Spirit  
        he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
        and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
    he suffered death and was buried.  
    On the third day he rose again  
        in accordance with the Scriptures;  
    he ascended into heaven  
        and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
    and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
    who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
    With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
    He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
    and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

*Standing or kneeling.**The Deacon says*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

*After each paragraph of this prayer, the People may make an appropriate response, as directed.*

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

*Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially \_\_\_\_\_], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of [\_\_\_\_\_ and of] all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## Confession of Sin

*A Confession of Sin is said here if it has not been said earlier. On occasion, the Confession may be omitted. The Deacon or Celebrant says the following, or else the Exhortation on page 316*

*Minister*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against thee  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in thy will,  
and walk in thy ways,  
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*A Minister may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying*

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received,  
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

*1 Timothy 1:15*

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father,  
Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins,  
and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole  
world. *1 John 2:1-2*

## The Peace

*All stand.*

BCP 332

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All And with thy spirit.*

*Greet each other without touching, and maintain 6' social distance.*

## The Holy Communion

*All Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing in lieu of Holy Communion,  
come to the altar rail and so indicate by crossing your arms over your chest.*

*All stand as the offering is carried forward to the altar.*

## Offertory

### At the Presentation

*Celebrant* All things come of Thee, O God.

*All And of Thine Own have we given Thee.*

## The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer I)

BCP 333

*The people remain standing.*

*The Celebrant faces them and sings or says* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times,  
and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty,  
everlasting God.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we laud and magnify thy glorious Name;  
evermore praising thee, and saying,

*Remain standing until the Sanctus is ended.*

## Sanctus

BCP 334

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ’s holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

### The Lord's Prayer

BCP 336

*People and Celebrant*

**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

BCP 337

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Then may be sung or said*

*All*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### Fraction Anthem

BCP 337

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.

*Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*And may add*

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in  
your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### Music During Communion

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*The People may join in saying this prayer*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou  
dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most  
precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost  
assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are  
very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed  
company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy  
everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so  
to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship,  
and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through  
Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all  
honor and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing*

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and  
minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our  
Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy  
Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*or this*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

### Voluntary

I am the bread of life

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these words*

**People**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*or the following*

*Deacon*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People**

**Thanks be to God.**

*or this Deacon*

**People**

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

*or this Deacon*

**People**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*From the Easter Vigil through the Day of Pentecost "Alleluia, alleluia" may be added to any of the dismissals.*

*The People respond*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Lay Eucharistic Visitor Instruction**

*(if needed)*

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### **Lay Eucharistic Visitor Instruction**

*Presider/*

*Deacon*

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

*All*

**We who are many are one body because we all share one bread and one cup.**

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## **THE HEALING LITURGY**

*Anyone desiring to be anointed (for yourself or on behalf of another)  
please go to the chapel and wait in prayerful silence until the priest arrives to conduct the liturgy.*

**V:** Savior of the world, by your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us.

**R:** **Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech you, O Lord.**

*At the invitation of the priest, each individual will step forward, whisper their request, and be anointed.*

*In respect for the sacredness of the rite, all others will please maintain prayerful silence  
and an appropriate distance to allow privacy while the rite is administered.*

*Each person please depart in silence after being anointed.*

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## **DAILY OFFICE LECTORY:**

**The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 14 - Year One - BCP 978**

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**Intercessions for the Church:** Non-Parochial, Non-Stipendiary, Non-Resident Licensed and Retired Clergy.

**Recently in need of prayers:** Allen; Angie; Arnold; Bill; Claudia; Correll; Darlene; George A.; George S.; Jan & Dale; Jesse; Kathy; Linda P.; Lynda R.; Marie; Marilyn; Michele and family; Mildred; Noreen; Patricia; Ronnie; Ruth; and the students and staff of Stewart Home School.

**Continuing concern:** Adrianna; Ann; Barbara; Dan; Debbie; Dillard; Edith; Faye; Ginni; Jinks; John; Mac; Mary; Melissa; Mike & Susie; Nancy; Polly; and Rena. We also pray for those affected by the COVID pandemic, and for those on active duty in the military: Daniel, Houston, Nick, Seth, and Tanner.

**Thanksgivings:** for God's Spirit so powerfully at work in our midst; for a loving and resilient church family.

**Birthdays:** 8/12 – Harrison Frost, Martha Moore; 8/14 – Susie French.

## **NOTICE:**

*Part of the strength of this congregation is our care and concern for each other. Please help us to do this by letting the church office know when you are ill, hospitalized, or otherwise in need of prayer and/or visitation. We especially want to serve you during these times. Call 502-223-0557 (messages are checked Tuesday thru Friday) or email Deacon Rebecca, [curate@ascensionfrankfort.org](mailto:curate@ascensionfrankfort.org)*

## RESPONDING TO THE PANDEMIC: CHANGES & CHALLENGES

**WEDNESDAYS:** Wednesday daytime services have returned to the Ascension chapel, led by Father Peter Doddema. All are welcome to pray the Anglican rosary with us (*optional*), starting at 1:00 p.m. The Holy Eucharist service begins promptly at 1:15, concluding by 2:00 p.m.

**SATURDAYS:** Saturday **Taizé** had been tentatively planned to resume on August 7, but is now postponed indefinitely due to the current COVID resurgence and the amount of singing usually involved with **Taizé**.

Following are our current guidelines for in-person worship at Ascension:

- Because of the current COVID resurgence we ask all worshipers, vaccinated or not, to wear a mask while inside the building. Please remember that some of our members are immunocompromised.
- Ushers continue to check temperatures and keep a list of all folks who attend worship, in case there is a need for contact tracing. This is also required of any groups that use our facilities.
- We continue to observe social distancing in worship.
- Spoken responses and singing have again been suspended. Communion during the service will be bread only, with no wine.
- If you wish to receive Communion but are uncomfortable returning to the church for in-person worship, clergy are available to bring Communion to you or to meet you outside of Sunday morning worship at the church.

Again, thank you for your patience as we carefully, prayerfully resume our usual worship practices. Our goal is to worship God and to keep everyone as safe as possible.



Ascension is seeking ONE MORE paid, part-time nursery attendant to work with a small group of children, ages 0-4, on Sunday mornings, 9:00-11:30 a.m., and occasionally for special events (usually a couple of evening or weekend hours). This position is paid hourly and is part-time with no additional benefits. Must be over 18 and have/arrange reliable transportation. For a complete job description and application form, see Deacon Rebecca Saager ([curate@ascensionfrankfort.org](mailto:curate@ascensionfrankfort.org)) or call 502-223-0557.