

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY EUCHARIST August 21, 2022 at 9 AM

Prelude

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn

Put forth, O God thy Spirit's might

Hymnal 521



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Opening Acclamation

Presider

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Blessed be the one holy and living God.

Glory to God for ever and ever.

Song of Praise

Glory to God

MHSO 11



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Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy

Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading Isaiah 58:9b-14

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

if you offer your food to the hungry

and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,

then your light shall rise in the darkness

and your gloom be like the noonday.

The LORD will guide you continually,

and satisfy your needs in parched places,

and make your bones strong;

and you shall be like a watered garden,

like a spring of water,

whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;

you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;

you shall be called the repairer of the breach,

the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath,

from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;

if you call the sabbath a delight

and the holy day of the LORD honorable;

if you honor it, not going your own ways,

serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;

then you shall take delight in the LORD,

and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;

I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,

for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

A// Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:1-8 (sung together)



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- 1 Bless the LORD, O my soul, * and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.
- 2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, * and forget not all his benefits.
- 3 He forgives all your sins * and heals all your infirmities;
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave * and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, * and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
- 6 The LORD executes righteousness * and judgment for all who are oppressed.
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses * and his works to the children of Israel.
- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, * slow to anger and of great kindness.

Second Reading Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All children are invited to join the Gospel procession! Take an instrument from the basket and with joy & enthusiasm herald the proclamation of the Gospel!



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Holy Gospel Luke 13:10-17

Presider All The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Very Rev. Joy Rogers

Nicene Creed

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: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. 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.

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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.

Prayers of the People

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, O God.

A// God of compassion, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God; for all who proclaim the Gospel, and all

who seek the truth, for those we now name (pause), we pray:

All God of compassion, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world; for all who work for justice, freedom,

and peace, for those we now name (pause), we pray:

All God of compassion, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation; for the victims of hunger, fear, injustice,

and oppression, for those we now name (pause), we pray:

All God of compassion, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; for those who minister to

the sick, the friendless, and the needy, for those on our parish prayer list,

for those we now name: (pause), we pray:

All God of compassion, hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, for those forgotten or unmourned, for those now

name (pause), we pray:

A// God of compassion, hear our prayer.

Presider Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church.

Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you

wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

Silence may be kept.

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 our Savior 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.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of

Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit

keep you in eternal life.

All Amen.

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

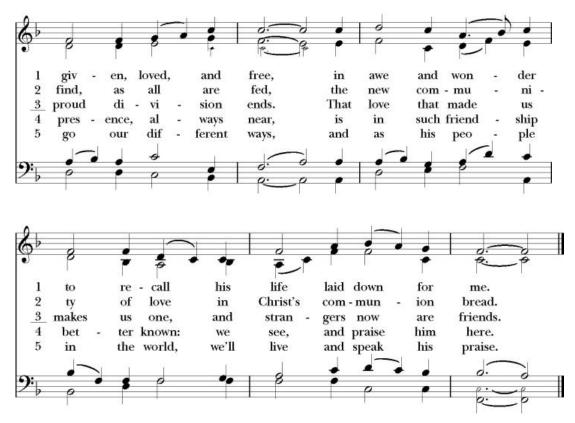
All And also with you.

Offertory Hymn

I come with joy to meet my Lord

Hymnal 304





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THE HOLY COMMUNION All Creation Sings

Presider
All
And also with you.
Presider
Lift up your hearts.

A// We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

A// It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus *Holy, Holy, Holy* from The Glendalough Mass



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Presider

Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth. You rescued your covenant people, led them on all their journeys, and taught them by the prophets. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

A// Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal, and make us one in this community of faith and with your people throughout the world.

Glory and Praise to you, O God, Author of life, Word made flesh, Power of the Most High, now and forever.

All Amen.

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

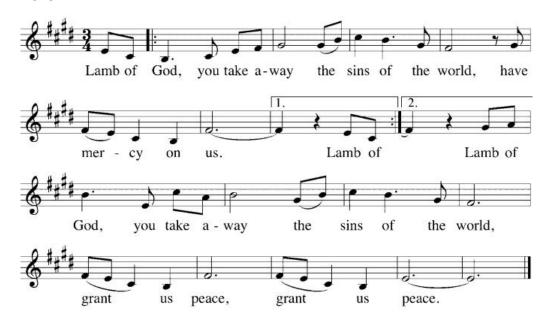
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem



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Communion Bless the Lord WLP 825



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Spiritual Communion

Zoom Host

Since we cannot share in the Body and Blood of Christ at this time, you are invited to join in the following prayer. The very intention to receive is enough to receive the spiritual blessing of the sacrament.

Let us pray.

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In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. And particularly for the blessings given me....

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you or from my sisters and brothers in Christ; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

The sending forth of Eucharistic Visitors

When Eucharistic Visitors are sent out the following words are used.

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In the name of God and this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body. We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup.

Postcommunion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

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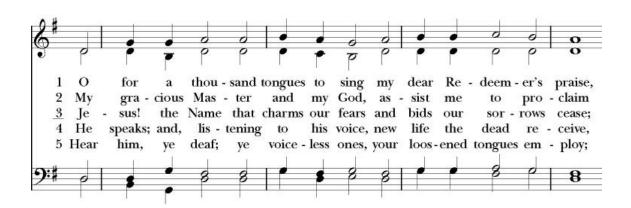
O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

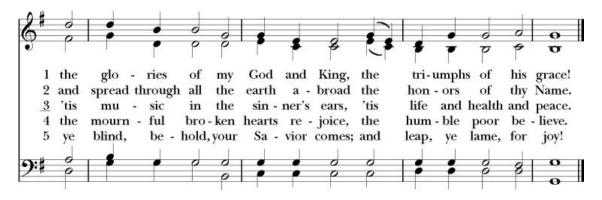
Blessing

Closing Hymn

O for a thousand tongues to sing

Hymnal 493





6 Glory to God and praise and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.

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Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Community Prayers

The Universal Church, its members and its mission; The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria; and for our Companion Dioceses of Southeast Mexico and Renk.

The concerns of the local community, especially those who are affected by gun violence.

For our parish family, that we may put our trust in God's wisdom and loving care, in times of joy and times of uncertainty, that we may embrace in faith our mission to grow in love and service to God's people.

Those who suffer and are in any trouble and those who have requested our prayers: Bobbie, Bill, Duke, Kate, Juli, JJ, Marge, Jane, Steve, Diane, Jack, Joe, Katherine, Rosanne

We pray for those to be married, especially: Kyle Jones and Molly Cayce; Lizzie Parker and Jake Milchesky

We pray for those who have died, especially: LaVon, Jean

We pray for peace and healing in our nation and the world.

We pray that peace and justice may come soon in places of war and conflict, and for all whose life of service puts them at risk; and for all victims of religious oppression throughout the world.

Events and Announcements We offer a warm welcome to The Very Rev. Joy Rogers We are so glad to have you with us

St. Lawrence Tea Time is BACK

Please join us on Tuesday, August 23 at 11 AM for tea, scones, cookies, sandwiches and music. A guest is welcome to accompany you. Please RSVP by August 16 to Mell Wishau, 847.508.4302.

Everyone is welcome!



Brown Bag Lunch
Third Tuesday of the Month
11:30 AM
St. Lawrence Church
Fireside Room
Bring your lunch and
a small dish to pass.
Coffee/Tea/Water provided
Contact Ann Leffler for more
information, 847-918-9697

Prison Pen Pal Ministry

"I was a prisoner and you came to visit me," says Jesus in Matthew 25:36. Then, to clarify His meaning to puzzled followers, He adds, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers (or sisters) of mine, you did for me."

Jesus identifies closely with the weak, the helpless, and the outcast. He calls us to serve them in the same way we would serve Him. Not every Christian can visit prison in person, of course, but that's not the only way to minister to a lonely man or woman behind bars. It's also possible to visit prison in an envelope—through a caring ministry of correspondence.



This is what we are about to begin at St. Lawrence. Using the church as a mailing address, we will exchange letters with men and women who sometimes never hear from their families or friends. Correspondence helps to fill that void through a ministry that reflects God's unconditional love while seeing Christ in every person.

If you feel called to participate in Prison Pen Pal Ministry, please add your name and email address to the sign-up sheet in the Narthex, or contact me in person or by email at deacon@stlawrencechurch.org. Additional information will be forthcoming soon.

Yours in Christ, Deacon Hal

Acolyte Training

We are looking forward to an exciting fall/winter program at St. Lawrence. As part of our worship, we welcome your help assisting the rector at the altar during the service. We will be holding an acolyte training for any persons between the ages of 8 to 88 who are interested in this joyful and profoundly spiritual experience. Senior acolyte, Alex Bowers will be assisting Deacon Hal in training on Sunday, September 18 after the service for approximately one hour.

Please share your interest in attending this session with either Alex or me prior to the 18. We will be available to answer any related questions you may have that will help you with your decision. Looking forward to your participation. Deacon Hal

Gardens for Hope

Each month Hope Food Pantry supports hundreds of our neighbors offering shelf stable foods, milk, meats, breads, produce, and personal care items. Quality foods support a healthy community. Gardens for Hope, will provide Hope Food Pantry additional produce during the local growing season.

How can I help?

- Sign—up and volunteer to weed, water or harvest on Sunday or Thursday at St. Lawrence. Estimated time commitment 15-20 mins. on site. Sign-up on the website, stlawrencechurch.org
- Purchase produce from the Libertyville Farmers Market and donate it to HOPE Food Pantry. You can drop it off at the front of the church on Thursday mornings from 9—noon. Help our neighbors and support farmers!

Sunday School Open House for 2022-23

Please join us for an open house on Sunday September 11 in the Godly Play Room. Following the 9 AM worship service. Come check out the room, meet some new friends and decorate a gratitude pot. We will meet every Sunday for a snack, stories, crafts and a whole lotta fun. If you have any question please contact Susie, office@stlawrencechurch.org. We cant wait to see you!



Better Together

Join us as we build relationships and collaborate with our neighboring Episcopal churches: Trinity, St. Gregory's, and St. Elisabeth's.

NORTHSHORE WELCOME - REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

We have some exciting news. One of the gentlemen who joined us last month has relocated to Colorado to be near family members. His stay in Illinois has been short, but this is our purpose: to help migrants get grounded and feel comfortable taking the next steps.

AND – we have welcomed a third gentleman, a friend of the first two. He will be staying with us temporarily as he transitions to living in Chicago.

We'd love your participation in this work of welcoming. If you are able to assist with transportation, explore the city, or host our friends socially, please reach out to Karen Broms or email northshorewelcome@trinitychurchhp.org. You can find that email address and more information on the St Lawrence website too. Just look for the welcome mat on the home page.

Donate Funds

Episcopal Migration Ministries (EMM) recommends that sponsoring communities raise about \$2,300 per family member, depending on the cost of living in the area. Given our location, our team has determined that \$3,000 per family member is a better number. All monies donated will benefit the work with the current family; remaining funds will be applied either to welcoming another family (if our churches feel called to do so), or to other refugee resettlement ministries.

Donate here: https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z5B5/campaign/C-12HRQ

CONFIRMATION AND FORMATION THIS FALL

We have finalized the dates for our Better Together Confirmation classes. Additionally, we will be holding an intergenerational formation class for adults and children/youth who are not in the confirmation class at the same time so families may attend together. Each session will end with a meal for everyone.

The dates for the 2022-23 Conformation year are:

Sept 10: 10 - 6pm at StGs (intergenerational formation 4:30 - 6pm)

October 1: 4:30 - 6pm at St. Lawrence November 12: 4:30 - 6pm at Trinity December 3: 4:30 - 6pm at St Elisabeths

January 21: 4:30 - 6pm at StGs

February 11: 4:30 - 6pm at St. Lawrence

March 11: 4:30 - 6pm at Trinity April 1: 4:30 - 6pm at St Elisabeths

Please contact Shelley (shelley@stgregoryschurch.org) if you would like more information.

On the STL calendar (see the entire calendar on the STL website, stlawrencechurch.org)

Sunday, August 21 - Blessing of the Backpacks, 9 AM

Tuesday, August 23 - St. Lawrence Tea Time, 11 AM, Narthex

Saturday, August 27 - HOPE Food Pantry, 8 - 10 AM

Sunday, August 28 - Chicago Dogs Baseball, 3 PM

Saturday, September 3 - Seeking Sophia, 9 AM

Monday, September 5 - Offices closed

Saturday, September 10 - HOPE Food Pantry, 8 - 10 AM

Sunday, September 11 - Kick-off Sunday and Sunday School Open House,

following the 9 AM service

Wednesday, September 14 - Knitting in the Nave, 6 - 8 PM

Saturday, September 17 - Seeking Sophia, 9 AM

Tuesday, September 20 - Vestry, 7 PM, Fireside Room

Saturday, September 24 - HOPE Food Pantry, 8 - 10 AM

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Our Mission:

Growing relationships, serving in community, empowered through worship

Our Vision:

A vibrant, engaged community feeding those who hunger in body, mind or spirit, celebrating God's love and offering a spiritual home for all

Our Promise:

Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, St. Lawrence welcomes you. We celebrate diversity and, following Jesus' example embrace ALL God's children.

As a community, we cherish your uniqueness as God has made you: across cultural backgrounds, skin color, citizenship/immigration status, political views, age, gender identity/expression/attraction, marital and economic status, and physical and cognitive abilities.

Whoever you are, whomever you love, wherever you are from, WE WELCOME YOU!



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