

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRELUDE 10:30 only

NEARER MY GOD TO THEE ARR. TOM TRENNEY, CANTOR SOLO

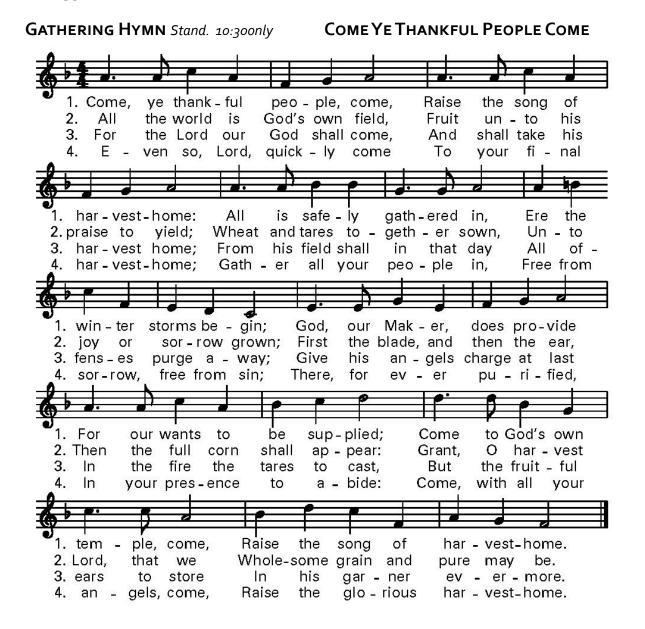
Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee. E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me; still all my song shall be nearer, my God, to thee..

Yea, though the vale I tread, thou art with me. When shadows cloud my head, thou anointest me. Thy rod and staff shall be comfort to shepherd me nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee.

Though waters foam and roar, though mountains quake, thou art my refuge sure, though the earth should shake.

Lord, strengthen and shelter me nearer, my God, to thee, nearer my God to thee, nearer to thee.

WELCOME



OPENING ACCLAMATIONS

Presider We meet in the name of God,

Creator of the universe,

source of True humanity.

Mother and Father of all.

People Amen.

Presider We meet in the name of Jesus,

Word made flesh,

Savior of fallen humanity,

lover of all.

People Amen.

Presider We meet in the name of the Holy Spirit,

Lord and giver of life,

Midwife of new humanity,

Inspirer of all.

People Amen.

Presider Come then, eternal God,

People **Be present here**,

Befriend us here,

Renew us here.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

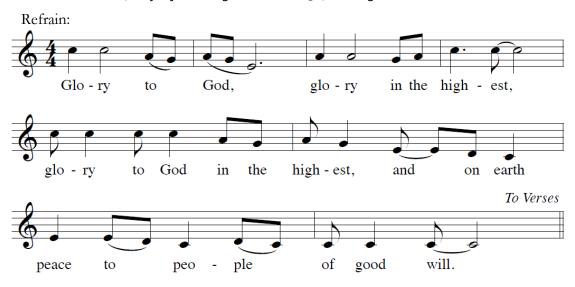
Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are

hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our heart by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may

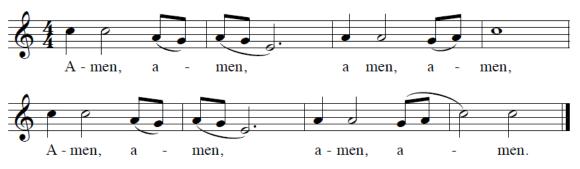
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

GLORIA At 8am, only refrain sung twice. At 10:30, all sung.



- We praise you,
 we bless you, we adore you,
 we glorify you,
 we give you thanks for your great glory, your great glory
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 O God, almighty Father. Refrain
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 you take away the sins of the world,
 have mercy on us;
 you take away the sins of the world,
 receive our prayer;
 you are seated at the right hand, the right hand of the Father,
 have mercy on us. Refrain
- 3. For you alone are the Holy One,you alone are the Lord,you alone are the Most High,Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,in the glory of God the Father. To Amen below



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Presider Compassionate One: Remove from us all hardness of heart that we may accept all people

as your precious children, remembering that when we reject them, we reject you; in the

name of the Source, the Word, and the Spirit.

People Amen.

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES Sit

THE FIRST LESSON

Reader A reading from the book of Genesis.

28:10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

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.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



- Lord, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways. ANTIPHON
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it. ANTIPHON
- 6 Where can I go then from your Spirit? where can I flee from your presence?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; if I make the grave my bed, you are there also. ANTIPHON
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9 Even there your hand will lead me and your right hand hold me fast.
- 10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night,"
- Darkness is not dark to you;
 the night is as bright as the day;
 darkness and light to you are both alike. ANTIPHON
- Search me out, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my restless thoughts.
- 23 Look well whether there be any wickedness in me and lead me in the way that is everlasting. ANTIPHON

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader

A reading from the letter to the Romans.

8:12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ANTIPHON Stand IF YOU BELIEVE AND I BELIEVE

WLP 806

Sing two times.



THE GOSPEL

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. 13:24-30,36-43

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL ANTIPHON At 10:30 only, sing the music on previous page one time through.

SERMON Sit THE REV. DR. GARNITA PLEAS

THE NICENE CREED Stand

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 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. 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

Deacon

Faithful God, as we give voice to our needs and share our thanksgivings, help us to trust what Jesus taught. When we ask, we will receive. When we search, we will find. When we knock, the door will be opened. O God; hear us; answer us; and send us forth.

After each prayer, please respond "hear us; answer us; and send us forth."

Presider

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: In this fellowship of love and prayer, accept and fulfill our petitions, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus, Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept for a time.

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.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider Not an easy peace,

not an insignificant peace, not a halfhearted peace, but the peace of God in Jesus Christ be with you all.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

We invite you to extend the peace of God to those in the congregation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Sit

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

We return with thanksgiving the gifts God has given us. This includes bread and wine of the earth and financial offerings from our labor. Representatives of the congregation bring these to the common Eucharistic table.

OFFERTORY 8:00 only

NEARER MY GOD TO THEE
PERFORMED BY GARDINER SISTERS



The following is sung as ushers present the offerings. Please stand. 10:30 only

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above you heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. H 380

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, I Am

Who Am, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord,

to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say/sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Say at 8am:

People Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Sing at 10:30am:



The people stand or kneel.

Presider

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command,

People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Presider

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

Presider

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in this sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Francis, St. Clare and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

Presider

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

AMEN



^{*}Pronounced: Ay-men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People 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.

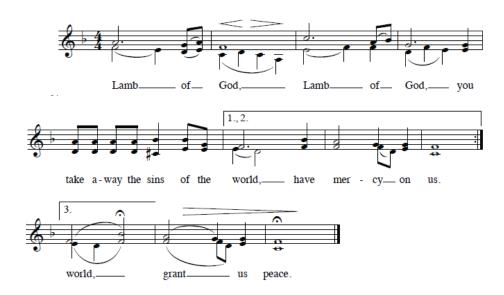
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM At 8am, spoken



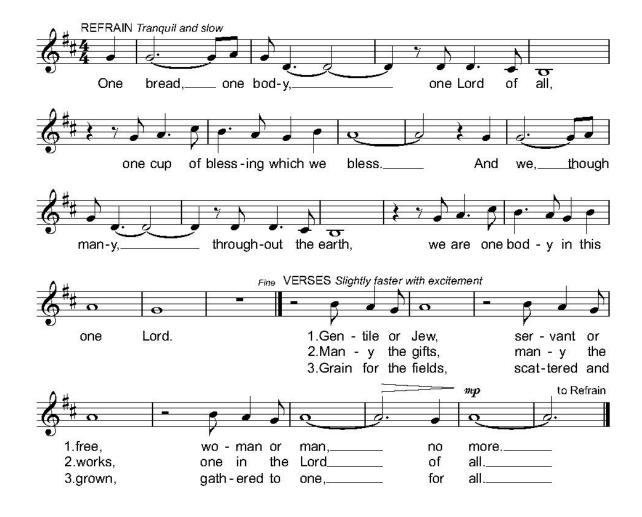
Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Our bread is gluten-, dairy- and nut-free. This Eucharistic table does not belong to the Episcopal Church or to St. Francis'. This is God's table, and all are welcome. In the Episcopal Church, we receive both the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. If you choose not to receive communion, please come forward and cross your arms over your heart to receive a blessing.

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COMMUNION HYMN 10:30 only

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY



*Post-Communion Prayer Stand

Presider Let us pray.

All In gratitude, in deep gratitude

for this moment,

this meal,

these people,

we give ourselves to you.

Take us out

to live as changed people

because we have shared the Living Bread

and cannot remain the same.

Ask much of us,
expect much from us,
enable much by us,
encourage many through us.

So, Lord, may we live to your glory,
both as inhabitants of earth
and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven.
Amen.

BLESSING

Presider May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you : wherever he may send you;

may he guide you through the wilderness: protect you through the storm;

may he bring you home rejoicing: at the wonders he has shown you;

may he bring you home rejoicing: once again into our doors.

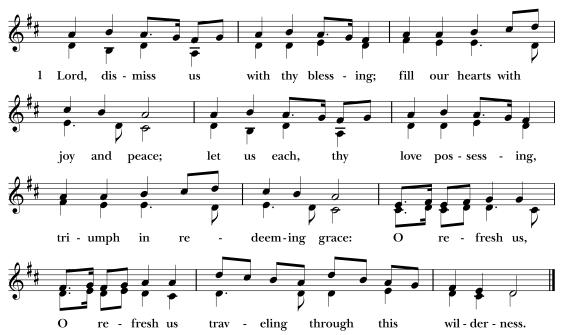
People Amen.

Presider And may the blessing of the One, Holy and Undivided Trinity remain with you this day and

always.

People Amen.

SENDING HYMN 8:00 LORD DISMISS US WITH THY BLESSING H 344



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DISMISSAL

Presider With Christ beside us, before us, beneath us, and above us, let us go in the name of Christ to love and serve our God!

People We go in the name of Christ! Thanks be to God!