

# The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost:

July 25, 2021 ✕ 10 am

## Welcome to St. Bede's Episcopal Church

St. Bede's is a sacred place because it is a place where God and the human pilgrimage meet. It is a welcoming community because this is characteristic of the God we serve as followers of Christ – welcoming and affirming people of every race, age, sexuality, culture, ethnicity, gender identity, education, economic circumstances, family configuration, and physical ability. We believe Jesus the Christ to be the incarnation of God's love – the God who is reconciling and offering hospitality to the whole world.

### Holy Eucharist

#### The Liturgy of the Word

**Voluntary** Prelude on “*Blaenwern*”, John Whitt, organ improvisation

#### Welcome

#### The Opening Acclamation

*One* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*Many* Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Collect for Purity

*All pray together*

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 Lord. Amen.

#### Music for the Gathering

#### The Collect of the Day

from *Prayers for an Inclusive Church* (2009) alt.

*One* God be with you.

*Many* And also with you.

*One* Together, let us pray.

In your compassionate love, O God, you nourish us with words of life and bread of blessing. Grant that Jesus may calm our fears, and move our hearts to praise your goodness by sharing our bread with others. Amen.

## The First Lesson — 2 Kings 4:42-44

*One* A reading from The Second Book of Kings

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, "They shall eat and have some left." He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

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

*Many* Thanks be to God.

## The Psalm

*One* Let us pray the following portion of Psalm 145 together, responsively, by whole verse.

- <sup>10</sup> All your works praise you, O God, \*  
and your faithful servants bless you.
- <sup>11</sup> **They make known the glory of your realm \*  
and speak of your power,**
- <sup>12</sup> That the peoples may know of your power \*  
and the glorious splendor of your dominion.
- <sup>13</sup> **Yours, O God, is an everlasting reign; \*  
your dominion endures throughout all ages.**
- <sup>14</sup> You are faithful in all your words \*  
and merciful in all your deeds.
- <sup>15</sup> **You uphold all those who fall; \*  
you lift up those who are bowed down.**
- <sup>16</sup> The eyes of all wait upon you, O God, \*  
and you give them their food in due season.
- <sup>17</sup> **You open wide your hand \*  
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.**
- <sup>18</sup> You are righteous in all your ways \*  
and loving in all your works.
- <sup>19</sup> **You are near to those who call upon you, \*  
to all who call upon you faithfully.**

## The Gospel — John 6:1-21

*One* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

*Many* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the

place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

*One*     The Gospel of the Lord.  
*Many*    Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### **The Sermon – The Rev'd Miriam Needham**

*A period of silence follows the sermon.*

### **The Nicene Creed**

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.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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

*written by the people of St. Bede's*

*One* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Many* Loving God, we give thanks for your presence;  
**One God with many faces.**

*One* We pray for all baptized people;  
*Many* **That we may live fully into our covenant with you.**

*One* Give us faith to serve you in all people;  
*Many* **And our neighbors as ourselves.**

*One* Bless the leaders of our land;  
*Many* **That we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations.**

*One* Give us wisdom to revere our mother earth;  
*Many* **That we may be faithful stewards of her abundance.**

*One* Open our eyes to the joys and sorrows of others;  
*Many* **That barriers which divide us may crumble and we may live in justice and peace.**

*One* Let us welcome into this space the prayers and celebrations of our own hearts...

*Following the intercessions, the one presiding adds the concluding collect*

### Confession and Absolution of Sin

*One* So that we might better love as God loves us,  
Let us confess the sin that seeks to separate us from God and one another.

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Many* **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

*One* Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins  
through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

### The Peace

*As we continue to emerge from the long season of global pandemic,  
please remain closer to your seat  
and exchange the peace with a wave or bow to those around you.*

*One* The peace of Christ be always with you.  
*Many* And also with you.

## The Liturgy of the Table

### Music for Communion

#### The Great Thanksgiving, *Eucharistic Prayer B*

*BCP 367*

*One* The Lord be with you.  
*Many* And also with you.  
*One* Lift up your hearts.  
*Many* We lift them to the Lord.  
*One* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*Many* It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*The one presiding continues*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*The one presiding continues*

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, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin 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, O Father,

*All pray together*

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

*The one presiding continues*

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.

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 to your Son in his 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 blessed Mary, blessed Bede, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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

*All pray together*

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 Bread**

*One* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*Many* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*The one presiding extends the following invitation to share in communion*

The Gifts of God for the People of God

### **Music for the sharing in Communion**

### **Announcements**

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

*All pray together*

Faithful God  
in the wonder of your wisdom and love  
you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels,  
and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.  
We thank you for feeding us with this bread.  
May it strengthen us  
that by the power of the Holy Spirit  
we may embody your love  
and be renewed for your service  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

### **The Blessing**

*The one presiding pronounces God's blessing*

### **The Dismissal**

*The deacon sends the people forth with the following words*

*One* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*Many* Thanks be to God.

## **Voluntary**

## **St. Bede's Prayer List**

### **Prayers have been requested for:**

Summer Callaway, *daughter in law of Ray and Pat Callaway*

AnnaLisa Stillman-Patterson, *friend of Beth Cannon*

Lisa Maloof, *daughter in law of Anita Maloof*

Kevin Maloof, *stepson of Anita Maloof*

Jean Ahlfinger

Larry Bing

Bill Edgar, *father of Beth Cannon*

Sarra David

Rosalene Larson, *mother in law of Michael Daniel*

Sam Cannon

Aree Bancroft

Laura Ribas

Jane Wiggins

Hilda Bell

Willie Diaz

Tim Waring

Peggy Allen, *mother of Lisa Main*

Ray Lampros

Gwen Cordner

Arlene Means, *sister of Larry Bing*

Maggie Williams

Mary Rodriguez

Hollis Pickett

Margie Klein, *mother of Jody Klein*

Anita Maloof

Lynn Edgar, *mother of Beth Cannon*

Nancy Waring

John Branan

Kerry Penney

Patrick Newberry, *stepson of Gretchen Berggren*

Andy Matia, *friend of Ann Foote*

Brooke & Taylor Harty, *granddaughters of Nancy Waring*

Jim Ohl

Frances Bowen

Max Carpenter, *grandson of Sarra David*

Judy Penney, *sister-in-law of Kerry Penney*

Sydney Lund

Ann Foote

Helen Abraham

Cameron Maddox

### **For those who have died:**

Sarah Beth Lindsay, *friend of Beth Cannon*

### **We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week:**

7/25: Jackson Kottke

7/26: David Boyd

7/27: Mariano Valenciano

7/27: Mike Flanagan

7/28: Stan Meiburg

7/28: Victoria Aguilar

7/29: DeAndra Smith-Hall

7/29: Sean Bevacque

7/29: Arturo Cruz-Perez

7/30: Alfred Studwell

7/30: Dayana Mata

7/30: Rosa Bartolon

7/31: Emma Brantley

7/31: Cindy Platto

7/31: Alison Palle



# ST. BEDE'S

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We invite and welcome *all* to worship, serve, and grow together  
as we engage the story of the living Christ.

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