Order of Service for August 28, 2022
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Service of the Word
9:30 am
Officiating: The Rev'd Betty Nadurak

St. Paul's Anglican Church
Opening Hearts and Minds to God's Grace

Service of Holy Eucharist

The Gathering of the Community

Pre-Service Music: Common Praise (Blue Book-CP) # 601 God Whose Giving Knows no Ending (Please join in this time of worship, as we prepare for the Service.)

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn: CP # 380 O Worship the King (screens)

Greeting (screens)

Confession and Absolution (screens)

Jubilate (screens)

Children's Time

The Proclamation of the Word

Psalm 81:1, 10-16 (screens)

The First Reading

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

JEREMIAH 2:4-13

Reader: The word of the Lord.
People: ***Thanks be to God.***

You are God (screens)

The Second Reading

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

HEBREWS 13:1-8, 15-16

Reader: The word of the Lord.
People: ***Thanks be to God.***

Gradual Hymn: CP # 500 Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant (screens)

The Holy Gospel
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: ***And with thy spirit.***

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People: ***Glory be to thee, O Lord.***
Gospel Acclamation: The Alleluia (sung)

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

LUKE 14:1, 7-14

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.
People: ***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed (screens)

Offertory (screens) (Choir Anthem: As Longs the Hart for Flowing Streams)

Prayer over the Gifts (screens)

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

(The people sit or kneel for the prayers.)

Leader: Lord , in your mercy
People: ***Hear our prayer.*** (screens)

The Collect of the Day (screens)

The Lord's Prayer (screens)

Announcements (screens)

Closing Hymn: CP # 565 Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah (screens)

Sending (screens)

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You're invited to join us for Coffee, right after the Service, in-person in the Hall; and/or at 11:45, online via Zoom. Here's the Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87399496922?pwd=eWxvZDdTYUVuNjJZdUZ4MjFHWFdQdz09. We'd love to share these times of fellowship with you!

Reserved Sacrament can be picked up from the Office on Tuesday to Thursday from 9 am to noon. If you are not partaking during the Service, a written copy of the "Prayer for Communion" is available on our website in the same location as this Order of Service.

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Traditional Land Acknowledgement

Creator, you made all people of every land. In the spirit of respect and truth, we honour the traditional Treaty 7 territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy, including the Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani Nations, the Stoney Nakoda, including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley Nations, and the Tsuu T'ina Nation. We acknowledge the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region Three. In the spirit of reconciliation and because we are all treaty people, we also acknowledge all people who make their homes in the traditional Treaty 7 territory of Southern Alberta.

Prayers for this Week

(bold italics indicate new or special emphasis this week)

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the ***Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia .***

In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle: In the Anglican Church we pray for ***the Rt. Rev. Chris Harper, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Saskatoon;*** and in the Lutheran Church: we pray for ***Bishop Kathy Martin, the people and rostered ministers of the British Columbia Synod ACC/ELCIC The World Council of Churches Assembly.***

In our Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people of the parish of ***St. Edmund King & Martyr, Calgary;*** and for their Deacon ***David Ginther, and Linda Anderson, Bishop's Warden.*** We also pray for our diocesan ***Children and Youth Ministries.***

We lift to you our friends, in our Companion Diocese, the Windward Islands.

In our Parish Cycle, we pray today for ***Paul and Dorothy Ann; Susan and Lee; Margaret; and Alan;*** we remember our clergy, Fergus, Cyril, Norman, Bob, Betty and their families.

We pray for our foster child Desta Keweti.

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health, comfort and strengthen those of our parish who are sick, injured or distressed, and those approaching or recovering from surgery, especially we lift up to you ***the family of Joy (Abby's sister); Herb & the family of Debbie;*** Antony; Judy; ***Roger and Helen (parents of Paul); Dinah; Bill; the family of John; Debra, Lori and family of Josie;*** Crystal (niece of Rosemarie)***; Bill & Pat; Sean, Shannon, & Steve;*** the family of Bob***; the family of Carmen and Sonny; Shelly;*** John; ***the family of Bonnie; Gerald***; ***Brian; Gerald and Louise (Shannon's father and mother); Megan and family, Molly*** (mother of Sian); ***the family of Anne; Stephen; Dwight (Dorothy-Ann's cousin)***; ***Donna***; Jo; ***the family of Brenda (relative of the Collers); the family of Joan (mother of Richard); Tracy; Roxie and the family of Andy; Robert; Janet; Julia; Vern (brother-in-law of Rick); the Herritt family; Gina; Gael; Verna and her family***; ***Michael***; ***Barb;*** Jen***; the family of Leslie;*** Patrick,; ***the family of Tom***; ***Sandra***; ***Jordan; the family of Lene; the family of Helen;*** Eleanor; ***Jackie K. (sister of Pauline); Dorothy***; ***the family of Mauricia (mother of Ella);*** Max & Rebecca; ***Anne***; ***Dozy & Obie & family; Karla; the family of Kathy***; ***Kevin; Richard (friend of Anne); Terry; Jerrod; Melissa and her family (friends of Jenn);*** Dennis***; Mike; the family of Val; Alyssa (granddaughter of Betty), Martin; Chinazor; Sheila; the family of Linda; Melissa and her family; Adrianna;*** Peggy***; Bob and Joanne; Laura (sister of Kim); the family of Douglas***; ***Michelle; the family of Ian;*** Pat; Christine; ***Rick (brother of Sheila); Gwen; Jacquie; the family of Gwendoline; Jackie (cousin of Julie); Ellen; Pauline; Tucker (M'Laurel & Scott's child);*** Monika (mother of Dennis); ***Kathy (daughter of Bob & Joanne); Her Majesty The Queen, & all the Royal Family in their bereavement; Trudy (cousin of Iona); Veronica (sister Of Cec); Len; Andrea and Andrew's family; Margaret; Ken;*** Marlene; ***the family of James (father of Allison); Ginny; Lorrie & the family of Wayne; and Cindee (sister of Rick Coller).***

We pray for containment of COVID-19 worldwide; actions guided by the safety of others; protection for all those on the front lines or especially vulnerable to its effects, in particular all who are homeless; and full restoration of health for all those who are ill. We also pray especially that our healthcare workers and healthcare system will not be overwhelmed by the number of cases of the virus. And we pray especially for all in our Parish who are sick with this virus. Please enable us to support them in any way they need.

We pray for ***all those whose lives have been thrown in turmoil*** by fires, floods, storms or other natural disasters. We remember all who are struggling economically. Please help us all to stand together in hard times.

We pray for the Indigenous Peoples of this land. We give thanks for the immeasurable privilege of sharing the journey of life together.

We pray for forgiveness for the terrible harm inflicted by Residential Schools, and for the racism that still infects our hearts and is an open wound in our country; for an end to all forms of prejudice and bigotry; for justice; for reconciliation, and new paths forward that respect and honour all of God's precious children.

We pray for peace and justice in our own country and throughout the world. ***We remember the people of Ukraine, the Holy Land, USA, Nigeria, and all whose lives have been torn apart by violence. We pray for safe haven for the over 80 million people in the world whom violence has forced to flee their homes. We stand in solidarity with all whose lives have been devastated by human evil, and all seeking to make the world as it ought to be.*** We pray for protection and guidance for all in law enforcement or our military in danger at home or overseas. May your Holy Spirit guide world leaders to seek just resolutions to all conflicts, that all people may come to know your peace that passes all understanding and war be no more.

We thank you for your healing touch, which sustains us every day; and for all the many healings that have taken place in our parish; and your unending mercy as you hear our prayers.

The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of our Risen Lord.