

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 2025 9:00 am

Holy Eucharist Rite I

Hymn #8

Morning has broken

The Opening Acclamation
Gloria

BCP 323

The Collect of the Day:

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. *Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you,
Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you,

says the LORD."

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant."

The Word of The Lord

People: Thanks be to God

The Psalm: 71:1-6

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; *
let me never be ashamed.
- 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; *
incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; *
you are my crag and my stronghold.
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, *
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.
- 5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, *
my confidence since I was young.
- 6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; *
my praise shall be always of you.

The Epistle: 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.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Hymn #411

O bless the Lord, my soul

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

According to Luke

People: Glory be to thee. O Lord

The Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

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.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Nancy L. Threadgill

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People

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Discernment Prayer (NEW):

Gracious and loving God, you teach us that things happen in your time. As we continue to wait for clergy candidates, encourage us, the people of St. Francis in the Fields and St. Mark's Episcopal Churches, to grow steadfastly in our ministries to love and serve our neighbors by sharing the Good News in Jesus Christ.

Guided by the Holy Spirit, we open our hearts and minds to new opportunities and ideas, following where you lead — knowing that Jesus Christ walks with us each step of the way. As this discernment period evolves, empower the members of our Vestries and Discernment Committees to share their thoughts openly and honestly; to respect the opinions of others; and to encourage humility, patience, and joy. Finally, instill in us a glorious vision of the future: one where we are united in love and ministry in fulfilling the mission of our baptismal vows; through our savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Confession

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Exchange of the Peace

Hymn # 699

Jesus, Lover of my soul

Doxology

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving (EP II)

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Sanctus

The Lord's Prayer

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The Fraction

Communion of the People

Hymn #315

Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Hymn #685

Rock of ages, cleft for me

The Dismissal

From *The Book of Common Prayer* 1979

Hymns from *The Hymnal* 1982

For those unable to receive physical Communion at this time please pray the following:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present I the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleans and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus. And let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Prayers for a New Priest

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts, we humbly ask you to supply your grace to all priests who are called to the ministry of your peoples. Fill them with the Holy Spirit, the truth of your doctrine, and clothe them with piety so that they may faithfully serve where they are called. Open their hearts to the possibility and consideration of a new path whereby they may serve you. We beseech you to guide to us, the pastor you would have shepherd your people at St. Francis in the Fields and St. Mark's. Open the hearts of these parish families to acceptance of your choice for us, so that together, we may increase our faith, devotion, and obedience, and be prepared to readily do the good works you have planned for us to do. We ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Remember Today In Your Prayers:

Carol Adams, Louise Mead, Susan Kelly & Mike Teore, Bill & Doris Horner, Catherine McCloskey, Maryann Marchl, Rick McKinley, David Wertz & Rebecca Church, Daniel Wertz, Jr. Stacy Moskal, and Terry Ebersole, Betty Burdge.

Continue to Remember In Your Personal Prayers:

Donovan Pendell, Cynthia Greig, Dottie Venet, Bonnie Murray, Vince & Irene Joyce, Richard Burkert, Regina Hoover, Daniel Wertz, Jr., Shawn & Tyler McKinley. Marlene Rhin, Lou Hoffer, Casey Daganhardt, Delbert Hess, and Randy Maurer.

BBQ Pulled Pork Was A "Huge Success"

Thank you to everyone who made it possible for our takeout lunch to be a "Huge Success" A very "Special Thank You" to Sam & Heidi Buchan who spent days preparing the Pork, Coleslaw, and Macaroni. Thank you to our servers, and thank you to those of you who baked cookies.

Readers and Greeters —August- September 2025

If you are unable to read on the day you are scheduled, please find a substitute or let Mother Nancy know so a sub can be found in a timely manner. Thank you.

Sunday Readers

Aug. 24 th	Pam Hysong & Doug Zawiskie
Aug. 31 st	Donna Corosi & Lisa Bell-Loncella
Sept. 7 th	Joann Lacko & Donovan Pendell
Sept. 14 th	Richard Burkert & Tina Grata
Sept. 21 st	Pam Hysong & Lisa Bell Loncella
Sept. 28 th	Donna Carosi & Colleen Curry

Sunday Greeters & Ushers

Aug 24 th	Richard Burkert & Joanna Lacko
Aug. 31 st	Tina Grata & Joann Lacko
Sept. 7 th	Melisa Babalonis & Aiden
Sept. 14 th	Jane & Gerry Strittmatter
Sept. 21 st	Sam & Heidi Buchan
Sept. 28 th	Richard Burkert & Joann Lacko

Sunday: The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Aug. 24th 9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I

Next Sunday: The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

Aug. 31st 9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

24 August 2025

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Retired clergy, including the Rev. Canon Nancy Suellau,
The Rev. Dr. Henry Thompson, and the Rev. Philip Wainwright

Altar Flowers Given to The Greater Glory of God

In Loving Memory of
Tom Furlong
From Wife Ann & Family

In Loving Memory of
Thomas & Lillie Harris
Perpetual Flowers

Next Week's Readings

Sirach 10:12-18
Psalm 112
Hebrews 13:1-8, 5-16
Luke 14:1, 7-14

*Sharing Christ's Love Unconditionally through
Transformational worship and service*