



THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 18

8:30 and 10:30 am • September 8, 2024

THE VOLUNTARY: Pastorale (Alla Siciliana)

J. S. BACH

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

429. I'll praise my Maker while I've breath

Lasst uns erfreuen

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

THE SONG OF PRAISE

8:30 Glory to God

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10:30 Glory to God, from *Sewanee Service* (see pew card)

Malcolm Archer

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CHILDREN'S HOMILY (10:30)

After the homily, the children aged 3–11 are invited to process out for Christian Formation time in Curry Hall, Room 201. They will return at the Peace.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 35:4–7a

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water;

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 146

8:30 *We will recite the psalm antiphonally by whole verse.*

10:30 *We will sing the psalm in unison.*



1 Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my / soul! *

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my / being.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of / earth, *

for there is no help in / them.

3 When they breathe their last, they return to / earth, *

and in that day their thoughts / perish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their / help! *

whose hope is in the Lord their / God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in / them; *

who keeps his promise for / ever;

6 Who gives justice to those who are op- / pressed, *

and food to those who / hunger.

7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the / blind; *
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed / down;

8 The Lord loves the righteous;
the Lord cares for the / stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the / wicked.

† 9 The Lord shall reign for / ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all gene- / rations.

THE SECOND LESSON

James 2:1-10-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 7:24–37

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Grey Maggiano

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant God of mercy and compassion, hear the petitions of your people, as we pray, “Lord, hear our prayer.”

Intercessor For this holy gathering, for our Presiding Bishop, for our bishops, for our parish clergy, and for the people of God in every place. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

In the Anglican and Diocesan cycles of prayer: for The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma); Calvary Church, Tarboro; St. Luke's, Tarboro; and St. Michael's, Tarboro. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all nations, peoples, and families. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For mercy, justice, and peace throughout the world. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For farmers and a good harvest, for travelers and those on vacation, and for safety from violent storms. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all those desiring healing and for all who are in danger and need; for those who are sick, and those who are dying; for all who are poor and those oppressed; for prisoners and captives, and for their families. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

In our church community: for Alice, Alice, Betty, Bill, Carl, Diane, Gene, Harper, Harrison, Ilia, Israel, Jan, Jane, Karen, Louise, Maggie, Margaret, Marion, Marshall, Maxine, Nancy, Norris, Steve, and Waltje. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our families, friends, and neighbors: Anne, Catherine, Danielle, Diane, Drew, Erin, Evonne, Florence, Gemma, Jane, Jeff, John, John, Karen, Kate, Kerry, Licia, Melissa, Michael, Michelle, Nancy, Pam, Penny, Peter, Randy, Richard, Roy, Sandy, Sara, Valeria, and those others we name now. (*The People may add their own petitions.*) **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who rest in Christ. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all victims of hatred and violence. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all those expecting a child, especially Catherine and Patrick. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For ourselves, our families and companions, and those we love. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lifting our voices with all creation, with all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. **To you, O Lord our God.**

Celebrant Gracious and living God, your loving care reaches to the ends of the earth, rescuing those who live in bondage and fear: Open our eyes and ears to your call of compassion, that we may joyfully share in your eternal life, and bring all humanity into the goodness of your Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

At the Name of Jesus

Noël Nouvelet, arr. James Kirkby

At the Name of Jesus, every knee shall bow, every tongue confess Him King of glory now; It is his pleasure we should call Him Lord, Who from the beginning was the mighty Word. Humbled for a season, to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom He came, gladly He bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death He passed. Bore it up triumphant with its human light, through all ranks of creatures, to the central height, before the throne and to the Father's breast; Filled it with the glory of that perfect rest. In your hearts enthrone Him; there let Him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true; Crown as your Captain in temptation's hour; Let His will enfold you in its light and power.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

(see pew card)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

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SANCTUS

8:30 BCP 367

10:30 *Sewanee Service* (see pew card)

Malcolm Archer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Traditional Version

FRACTION ANTHEM

8:30 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

10:30 Agnus Dei, from *Sewanee Service* (see pew card)

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THE COMMUNION HYMN: 603. When Christ was lifted from the earth *St. Botolph*

THE SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body,
because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE FINAL HYMN: 388. O worship the King, all glorious above *Hanover*

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon or Celebrant dismisses the People, and the People respond:

Thanks be to God.

THE VOLUNTARY: The Rejoicing

Handel

We are delighted to welcome our new Rector, The Rev. Grey Maggiano, on this, his first Sunday at Nativity.

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY VESTRY 2024

Wardens George Douglas (Senior) and Dave McKinnon (Junior)

Members David Dykes, Hannah Harris, Roy Immelman, Charles Malone, Allison Martin, Sarah O'Connor, Yvette Smith, Perry Suk, Sam Wesonga

Officers Matt Dutton (Treasurer), Gail Christensen (Clerk)



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We thank the following people for their service today:

CELEBRANT & PREACHER	The Rev. Grey Maggiano
MUSICIANS (10:30)	Bradley Burgess, Organist & Choirmaster The Nativity Choir
LECTORS	Helen Armstrong (8:30) Anne Ramirez, David Tyeryar (10:30)
LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Rene Garces (8:30) Harlan Hagge, Alicia Lester-Bodford (10:30)
BANNER (10:30)	CJ Mahoney
TORCHES (10:30)	Vance Dutton, Morgan Smith
CRUCIFER (10:30)	Alicia Lester-Bodford
ALTAR GUILD	Susan Jordan, Paula Valeria, Brian Fentress
ALTAR FLOWERS	Meredith Watson
LIVESTREAM TECHNICIAN (10:30)	Alfred Christensen
VESTRY REPRESENTATIVE	Perry Suk
FELLOWSHIP (10:30)	The Knapp Family

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