



# Pentecost 8

## July 18, 2021

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### PRELUDE

Entrance Hymn *Lord Speak to Us that We May Speak* 676

### GREETING

*P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**C: And also with you.**

*A: This is the day that the Lord has made.*

**C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*A: O Come let us worship and bow down;*

**C: Let us kneel before the Lord our maker.**

*A: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth forevermore.*

**C: From the raising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

*A: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to the Most High.*

**C: To declare the Lord's love in the morning and his faithfulness at the close of the day.**

*A: Blessed is the One who redeems and saves us.*

**C: Blessed is our God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

## PRAYER of the DAY

*P: The Lord be with you*

**C: And also with you**

*P: Let us pray:*

**C: God of glory and love, true and lasting peace comes from you alone. Send us as peacemakers and witnesses to your kingdom, and fill our hearts with joy in your promises of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON

ezeKiel 2:1-5

### *God speaks to His prophet Ezekiel*

A voice said to me: "O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you."

And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me.

He said to me, "Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you will say to them, 'This is what the Lord God says!' Then, whether they hear or whether they refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they will still certainly know that there has been a prophet among them."

*Reader: The Word of the Lord!* **C: Thanks be to God!**

psalm psalm 123

Our eyes look to you, O God, un -

til you show us your mer - cy.

To you I lift up my eyes,  
to you enthroned in the heavens.

**As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters,  
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,**

*so our eyes look to the Lord our God,  
until he show us his mercy. R*

**Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy,  
for we have had more than enough of contempt,**

*too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,  
and of the derision of the proud. R*

## **Second Lesson**

**2 CORINTHIANS 12:6-10:7-15**

*Paul writes of how God keeps him a humble servant*

*Paul writes: . . . I will not boast about myself – except about my weakness as a sinner. Yet, if I did desire to be boastful, it would not be foolish of me to boast because I would actually be speaking the truth about myself. But, I do not boast about myself so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me – which they might do even when we consider the exceptional character of the revelations that I speak!*

Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh - a messenger of Satan to torment me and to keep me from being too pleased with my life. However, even though I prayed to the Lord three times about this, asking that this thorn would be removed, the Lord said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, now I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong in Christ!

*Reader: The Word of the Lord!* **C: Thanks be to God!**

## **Children's Sermon**

**Verse**

**886** vs. 1, 4-6

## Gospel Acclamation

*P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.*

**C: Glory to you, O Lord!**

### Gospel

**Mark 6:1-13**

And *Jesus* left the place where he had healed Jarius' daughter and *went* into his homeland. His disciples followed him.

Since it was the Sabbath, *Jesus* taught in the synagogue.

Many of those who heard him were astounded and said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is this not the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?"

And they were scandalized – which means their faith and understanding were shaken *by* him.

And *Jesus* said to them, "Prophets are not without honor except in their hometown and among their own kin and in their own house."

And he did not have the power to do any *works* except to lay his hands on a few feeble people to heal them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

And then *Jesus* went about among the villages teaching. And he summoned the twelve and commenced to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. And he ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics.

And he said to them, "Whenever you come into a house, stay there until you leave the area. And if any place will not receive you and not hear you, leave, and shake the dust off from under your feet as a testimony to them."

And going out they proclaimed *the Gospel* so that everyone might repent. And they cast out many demons and anointed many feeble people with oil and cured them.

*P: The Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!*

# Sermon

## hymn of the day

824



1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To  
2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve The  
3 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On  
4 O Christ, th' a - pos - tles' Lord, The



rise and fol - low you, For -  
truth for a - ges sealed, Whose  
roads they'd nev - er trod To  
mar - tyrs' strength and song, The



sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways For  
words and works a - wak - ened faith, The  
serve, to suf - fer, teach, pro - claim The  
cru - ci - fied and ris - en King To



ven - tures bold and new: Grant  
ways of God re - vealed: In -  
near - er reign of God: Send  
whom the saints be - long: Though



us to hear your call To  
struct us now, we pray, By  
us on ways where faith Tran -  
gen - er - a - tions pass, Our

risk se - cur - i - ty And,  
 your em - pow'r - ing Word. True  
 scends ti - mid - i - ty, Where  
 trib - ute still we bring, Our

bound in heart and will to you, Find  
 teach - er, be for all who seek Their  
 love in - forms and hope sus - tains Both  
 hymns a sac - ri - fice of praise, Our

per - fect lib - er - ty.  
 light, their life, their Lord.  
 life and min - is - try.  
 lives an of - fer - ing.

Creed

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PRAYERS of the Church

Passing of the Peace

Offering & Offertory

845 vs. 1 & 5

Offertory Prayer

*A: Let us Pray*

**C: In thanks for all the blessing of life, for work and rest, for food and shelter, for love and laughter, for beauty and harmony, we return these offerings to You, O God. We pray that our thanks is pleasing in Your sight, that what we offer is used again for sustenance and growth. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

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the Lord's Prayer

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Distribution Hymns

542, 674

Post Communion Prayer

Benediction

## Recessional

1 How buoy - ant and bold the stride of Christ's friends,  
2 Not slowed by the bulk and drag of great loads,  
3 Christ sent them in twos in - stead of a lone  
4 Ap - proach - ing a town or high cit - y wall,  
5 Lord, grant us a faith so brave and so bright

1 when swept by his words like high - lift - ing winds,  
2 to cit - ies and towns, on path - ways and roads,  
3 to tell the good news, wher - ev - er un - known,  
4 they won - dered what soul a - wait - ed Christ's call  
5 that we too shall dare to trav - el as light

1 they set out to preach and to heal in the land  
2 they car - ried the glad ur - gent gos - pel of grace  
3 and lift up each oth - er when hurt and con - fused  
4 and who would re - act with dis - in - t'rest or scorn  
5 as those who took noth - ing but what they would need

1 with noth - ing to take but a staff in their hand!  
2 that beat in their hearts and that drummed in their pace.  
3 be - cause what they of - fered was mocked and re - fused.  
4 and how man - y oth - ers by doubt would be torn.  
5 to bring peace and heal - ing with grace and with speed.

# Postlude Dismissal

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## **Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup>:**

Worship & Music Cmte. @ 3:00 p.m.  
Social Ministry Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.  
Grace Green Team Meeting @ 8:00 p.m.

## **Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>:**

Finance Committee Meeting @ 7:30 a.m.  
Church Council Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

## **Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup>:**

Repair Café @ 11:00 a.m.

## **Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>:**

Altar Guild Meeting @ 12:00 p.m.

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