



July 18 2021

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist & The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Hybrid Service 9:00 AM

We welcome in Holy Baptism Madison Claire Jones

'Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.'

[Mark: 10:15]

Ministers of the Liturgy

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Judith Lee

Assisting Priest: The Rev. William MacDonald Murray

Deacon: The Rev'd Deacon Beth Washburn

Eucharistic Minister: James Jones

Lector: Toussaint Jackson

Musicians: Randolph Bloom, Jeff Lukas, Cathy Poch, Mary Johnson

Ushers: Charlie Johnson & Toussaint Jackson

Altar Guild: Sheri Keeler-Phillips

Digital Ministers: Wayne Stochaj & Kevin Keppler

Vestry Liaison: Lisa Ruggiero

Please stand.

Opening Hymn *In Christ there is no East or West*

Hymnal #529

*In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.*

*Join hands, then, people of the faith, whate'er your race may be.
All children of the living God are surely kin to me.*

*In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north.
All Christly souls are joined as one throughout the whole wide earth.*

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

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

There is one Body and one Spirit; **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism; **One God and Father of all.**

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Almighty God, by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you turn us from the old life of sin: Grant that we, being reborn to new life in him, may live in righteousness and holiness all our

days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Liturgy of the Word

The First Lesson: A Reading from the Prophet Ezekiel [36:24-28]

I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you and you shall be clean from all your pollution, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and replace it with a living heart. I will put my spirit within you, so that you may follow my statutes and carefully observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

We will read responsively on the half verse.

The Lord is my shepherd, **I shall not want.**

He makes me lie down in green pastures; **he leads me beside still waters;**
he restores my soul. **He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.**

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

A Reading from the Letter to the Romans [6:3-5]

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation

Day by Day

Mary Johnson, Cantor

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark [10:13-16]

Glory to you Lord Christ

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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

Please be seated.

Sermon

Please stand.

The Baptism

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate for Holy Baptism

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Madison's parents and godparents say:

We present Madison Claire to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents respond I will, with God's help.

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents respond I will, with God's help.

Then the priest asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of Madison:

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world, which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

The priest addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

The congregation responds We will.

The priest then says:

Let us join with Madison who is making a commitment to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body

and the life everlasting.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

Let us now pray for this person who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Open her heart to your grace and truth. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Send her into the world in witness to your love. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

Madison Claire, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The priest prays over the newly baptized saying:

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Then the priest marks Madison's head with the sign of the cross using Chrism and saying

Madison Claire, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

The Priest says Let us welcome the newly baptized.

The priest and people say together

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

While the priest and family process through the church, the congregation sings

Baptism Hymn *I want to walk as a child of the light* Hymnal 490

I want to walk as a child of the light I want to follow Jesus

God sent the stars to give light to the world The star of my life is Jesus

Refrain: In Him there is no darkness at all The night and the day are both alike

The Lamb is the light of the city of God Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus

I want to see the brightness of God I want to look at Jesus

Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path And show me the way to the Father

Refrain

I'm looking for the coming of Christ I want to be with Jesus

When we have run with patience the race We shall know the joy of Jesus

Refrain

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

Hymn

You're called by name

WLP #766

Cathy Poch, soloist

Please stand.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We have lifted them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Savior, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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.

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 Christ. 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, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O God,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.

And we offer our praise and thanksgiving to you, O Creator 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 Christ in his self-offering, 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 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say the prayer Our Lord taught us:

The Lord's Prayer

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for in Christ we all share in the one bread, one cup

Communion Hymn

Jeff Lukas

Please stand.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us say together:

Holy and Loving God, your Holy Spirit gives breath to all living things; fill our lives with the light of your Holy Spirit until they overflow with gladness and gratitude; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

As you have been loved – love.

As you have been welcomed – welcome.

As you have been fed – feed.

As you have received – give.

And may the boundless love of God, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit be always with you. **Amen**

Closing Hymn *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky*

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*I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?*

*Refrain: Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart*

*I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have born my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word to them, Whom shall I send?
Refrain*

*I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give My life to them, Whom shall I send?
Refrain*

Dismissal: *Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia* ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia.***

Postlude

Festal March

Scotson Clark [1840-1883]