

# HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

*The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

August 29, 2021

## The Word of God

**The Prelude:** Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ  
Blest Be the Tie That Binds Us Together

Jamaican folk song, adapt. Doreen Potter  
Nägeli/Gillman, piano arr. Mark Hayes

**The Processional Hymn: 423 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**

ST. DENIO

**The Opening Acclamation**

*Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 355*

**Celebrant:** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**People:** Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**The Collect for Purity**

*BCP p. 355*

*Celebrant*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**The Gloria**

*BCP p. 356; Hymnal S-280*

*Celebrant and People*

**Glorify to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**The Collect of the Day**

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

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The First Lesson**

**Song of Solomon 2:8-13**

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away."

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

**Psalm 45:1-2, 7-10** *Read responsively by half verse.*

My heart is stirring with a noble song; let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; \*  
**my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.**

You are the fairest of men; \*  
**grace flows from your lips, because God has blessed you for ever.**  
 Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, \*  
**a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom;  
 you love righteousness and hate iniquity.**  
 Therefore God, your God, has anointed you \*  
**with the oil of gladness above your fellows.**  
 All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, \*  
**and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.**  
 Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; \*  
**on your right hand is the queen, adorned with the gold of Ophir.**

**The Second Lesson**

**James 1:17-27**

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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

**The Sequence Hymn: 660 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee**

MARYTON

*Stanzas 1 & 2 are sung before the Gospel, stanzas 3 & 4 are sung after.*

**The Gospel**

**Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

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

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.’ You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.” Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

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

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Carmen Germino

**The Nicene Creed**

*BCP p. 358*

*Celebrant and People*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### The Prayers of the People, [Form II](#)

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*The congregation is invited to stand or kneel as able. Please read together the names on our prayer list, when prompted. This bulletin was printed in advance, so some prayer list additions may not appear in print but will be read by the Lector.*

Together we pray for: *Adam, Anita, Anne, Caroline, Caroline, Claire Grace, Courtney, Deanna, Florence, Gary, Gray, Hilary, Jean, Jeanie, Joe, John, Mason, Norm, Sandy, Susan, Wilson.*

### The Exchange of the Peace

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

### The Greeting and Announcements

## The Holy Communion

### The Offertory: Lo, the Winter's Past

Bringle & Rowan

Lo, the winter's past. For the rain is gone; the flowers appear.  
Time of singing has begun, lark and turtledove.  
Rise, then, come away, as the vines burst into blossom here,  
rich with fragrance, drenched with sun, shimmering with God's love.

Beautiful and fair, like a garden, our beloved's face,  
clustered henna, Sharon's rose, radiant to our eyes.  
Honey, milk, and wine, fill our cups with over-flowing grace,  
feed our souls where God bestows banquets of love's surprise.

Love is strong as death, yes, and stronger yet,  
its frets of fire floods of water cannot drown, neither quench its flame.  
Burning still through tears, diamond prisms for our hearts' desire,  
spread an arcing rainbow crown 'round the beloved's name.

Words: Mary Louise Bringle(b. 1953), adapt. from Song of Solomon, chapter 2.

Music: William P. Rowan(b. 1951)

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*Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord. To utilize our text-to-give option, simply text "ALBANS" to 73256.*

### The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer B

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### The Sursum Corda

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.  
People: **And also with you.**  
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.  
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

## **The Sanctus**

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*Celebrant and People*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant*

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, your Son. 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, our Lord 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord 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 your Son in his sacrifice, 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 Alban and 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.**

*Celebrant*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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*Celebrant and People*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Fraction**

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

## **The Ministration of Communion**

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## **The Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

*This prayer is meant to be prayed by those who are unable to attend in-person worship for any reason.*

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, (and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshipping there) I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

## **The Post Communion Prayer**

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*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**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 Recessional Hymn: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ**

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## **The Dismissal**

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**Priest:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**The Postlude:** Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing with Gladness

C. Dearnley, arr. T. Cavuoti