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The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost  
Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024  
A Service of Morning Prayer



Pablo Picasso, *The Blind Man's Meal* (detail)

Metropolitan Museum of Art

## Prelude

## Hymn

*Singing Songs of Expectation*

H.527

## Opening Sentence

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Belovèd in Christ,

Let us praise and worship God who has called us together.

Let us celebrate God's majesty, and delight in the wonder of God's love.

Together we shall confess our sins and receive assurance that we are forgiven.

As the scriptures are read, we can allow God's word to speak to us,  
and ponder its meaning for our lives.

In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness,  
we pray for others as well as for ourselves,  
and we offer our lives anew in Christ's service.

**All this we do,  
because we believe in the presence among us  
of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.**

Hear these words of scripture.

*(John 4.24)*

God is Spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and in truth.

## Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

## Absolution

May almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.  
And your glory all the day long.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

## The Canticle of Praise

*Jubilate*

S.11

*Antiphons are sung with this setting.*

1. O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands; serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his pres-ence with a song. [Ant.] 2. Be ye  
sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us and not  
we our-selves; we are his people and the sheep of his pas-ture. [Ant.]  
3. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving and in-to  
his courts with praise; be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name. [Ant.]  
4. For the Lord is gracious; his mercy is ev-er-last-ing;  
and his truth endureth from generation to gen-er-a-tion. [Ant.]  
(Gloria Patri may be added)  
Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit:  
As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for ev-er. A-men. [Ant.]  
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## The Psalm

### Psalm 51:1-13

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; \*  
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness \*  
and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, \*  
and my sin is ever before me.

- 4 Against you only have I sinned \*  
and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak \*  
and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, \*  
a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, \*  
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; \*  
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, \*  
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins \*  
and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, \*  
and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence \*  
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again \*  
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

## The Word of God

### The First Reading

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity." Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus

says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord."

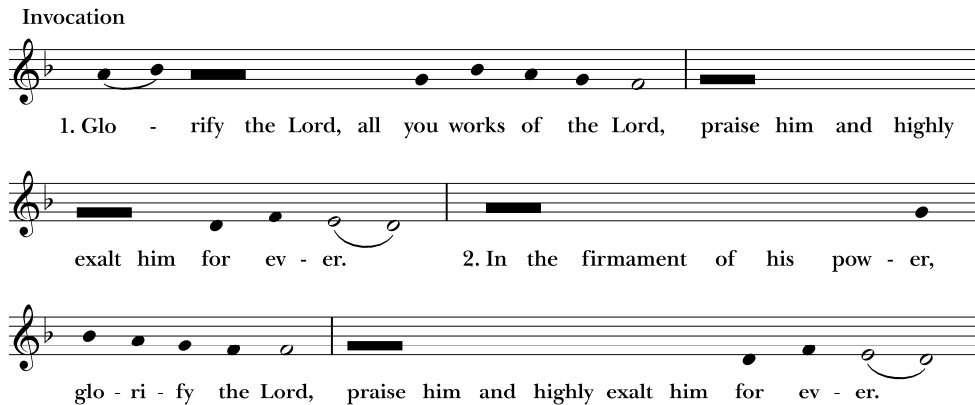
The Word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God.

## Canticle

### *Song of Creation part 3*

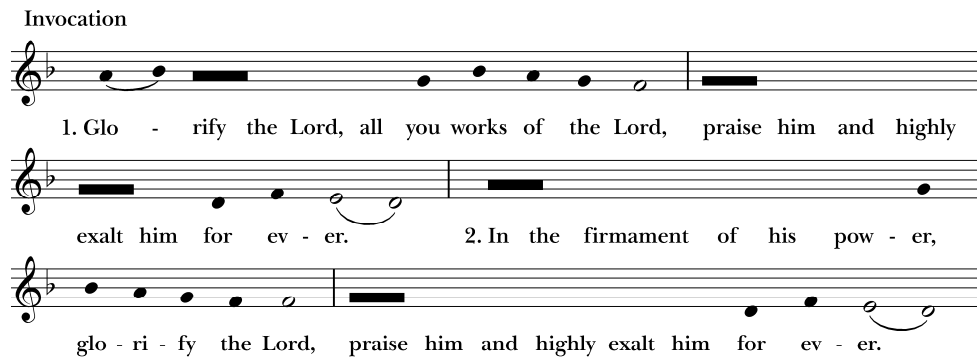
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Invocation



1. Glo - rify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, praise him and highly  
exalt him for ev - er. 2. In the firmament of his pow - er,  
glo - ri - fy the Lord, praise him and highly exalt him for ev - er.

Let the people of God glorify the Lord,  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Glorify the Lord, O priests and servants of the Lord,  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Glorify the Lord, O spirits and souls of the righteous,  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
You that are holy and humble of heart, glorify the Lord,  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
Let us glorify the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord,  
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.



## The Second Reading

### Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;  
he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

The Word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God.

## Hymn

*Eternal ruler of the ceaseless round*

H.617



## The Gospel

John 6:24-33

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

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

## The Sermon

The Rev. Deacon Richard Cole

## Profession of Faith

Let us affirm together our faith in God.

**We believe in God, who creates all things,  
who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,  
who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.  
We believe in God as the source of all life,  
who baptizes this planet with living water.  
We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one,  
the malnourished one, the climate refugee,**

who loves and cares for this world  
and who suffers with it.  
And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life,  
who came to reconcile and renew this world  
and everything in it.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God,  
who moves with God  
and who moves among and with us today.  
We believe in everlasting life in God.  
And we believe in the hope that one day  
God will put an end to death and all destructive forces. Amen.

## The Prayers

*Officiant:* God be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
forever and ever. Amen

V. Help us, O God our Savior;

R. **Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**

V. Look upon your congregation;

R. **Give to your people the blessing of peace.**

V. Declare your glory among the nations;

R. **And your wonders among all peoples.**

V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

R. **Never forget the lives of your poor.**

V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

R. **And your favor to those who are true of heart.**

V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

R. **So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**



## The Collect for the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

### The Peace

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God.  
Let us share God's peace.

The peace of God be always with you.  
**And also, with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## Offertory Sentence

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.  
*Psalm 50:14*

**Offertory Hymn**     *Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness*     H.339

*We all join in the concluding collect:*

**Holy and ever-living God,  
by your power we are created and by your love we are redeemed;  
Guide and strengthen us by your Spirit,  
that we may give ourselves to your service,  
and live each day in love to one another and to you,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Announcements

## The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

## Hymn

*Glorious things of thee are spoken*

H.522

## The Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, Rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## Postlude

This service is taken from *Enriching our Worship* and the *New Zealand Anglican Prayer Book*. The *Profession of Faith* is taken from the *Profession of Faith is from Gurukul Lutheran Theological College and Research Institute (a seminary in South India)*, adapted by Keld B. Hansen, 2009, as provided in “Listen to the Voice of Creation,” *Season of Creation Celebration Guide 2022*, 33.



## Today's Ministers

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**Convocation Prayer Cycle:** Church sextons and all who care for the maintenance and cleaning our churches. Church secretaries and parish administrators. At Emmanuel we pray for our cleaners, Jasmina and John; and those who provide administrative help – Jeanne, Anita, and Nsaliwe.

**The Altar Flowers** are offered by David Pittuck to the Glory of God and in thankful memory of his parents.

**Note on cover image:** Pablo Picasso (1881–1973), *The Blind Man's Meal (detail)*, 1903. Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York. For those of us in the sighted world, we cannot imagine being unable to see. We are moved to pity for those who do not “see” the world in the way that we do. But Picasso's painting forces us to reconsider; his subject touches the pitcher of wine, and holds the bread, symbols of Christ's own life and death. The “blind” man may indeed “see” God far more deeply than those of us who are distracted by the busyness of the sighted world. Attribution: from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=54229> [retrieved July 31, 2024]. Original source: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/clairity/2232804348/>.

**Notes on the hymns:** 617, *Eternal ruler of the ceaseless round*: The words were written by Jahn W. Chadwick for his graduation from Harvard Divinity School on June 19, 1864. Composed at a time when there was much anxiety concerning the outcome of Aamerica’s Civil War, the hymn is a call for unite, clearly articulated in st. 2, which begins “We would be one in hatred of all wrong.”

339, *Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness*: A classic German Lutheran Eucharistic hymn written by Johann Franck and first published in 1646. The author gave it the title “Preparation for Holy Communion.” The warm, devotional poetry expresses an intimate relationship between the individual believer and the object of his or her faith, Jesus the Savior. This internalized “Jesus piety” is characteristic of the poetry written during and after the devastation of the Thirty Years War (1618–1648). The music was written by Johann Crüger shortly thereafter, specifically for this hymn.

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## Mission Statement

*Living as Emmanuel, God with us, we are called to recognize the presence of God within ourselves, in each other, and in the world; to share our spiritual journey; to gather as a Eucharistic community to receive God's grace and to equip one another to be the radiant presence of Christ as we go out into the world.*

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