



Welcome

Gathering Song

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Blessed are the humble (The Beatitudes)

*Resurrection Choir*

Blessed are the humble in spirit, For theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

And blessed are the mourners, They will find comfort.

And blessed are the lowly,

They shall reign (they shall reign)

On the earth (on the earth).

O how you bless us, Lord! Blessing upon blessing, Lord!

Making us a blessing, a blessing for the world.

O how you bless us, Lord! Blessing upon blessing, Lord!

Making us a blessing, a blessing for the world.

And blessed are those who hunger, Who thirst for justice,

For surely you'll fill them completely.

And those who show mercy, Will be shown mercy.

And blessed are the pure hearts,

They'll see God, (they'll see God)

They'll see God (they'll see God).

O how you bless us, Lord! Blessing upon blessing, Lord!

Making us a blessing, a blessing for the world.  
O how you bless us, Lord! Blessing upon blessing, Lord!  
Making us a blessing, a blessing for the world.

And blessed are peacemakers, called the sons of God.  
Blessed are those oppressed for righteousness' sake,  
For theirs shall be, shall always be, Yes, theirs shall be heaven's kingdom.

O how you bless us, Lord! Blessing upon blessing, Lord!  
Making us a blessing, a blessing for the world.  
O how you bless us, Lord! Blessing upon blessing, Lord!  
Making us a blessing, a blessing for the world.

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## THE WORD OF GOD

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

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

### Collect for Purity

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.**

### Opening Song

Hymnal 1982 – 525

The Church's one foundation

*Aurelia*

*Courtney Steinberg, soprano*

1 The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
she is his new creation by water and the word:  
from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;  
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

2 Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,  
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed;  
yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?"  
and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

4 Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war  
she waits the consummation of peace for evermore;  
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed,  
and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

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## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ

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

### The First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul  
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I shall fear no evil;  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

## The Gospel

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

### Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they

might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Reverend Jim Bernacki

The Nicene Creed

*Officiant 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  
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

*From Praying the Scriptures, by Jeremiah D. Williamson*

Intercessor: Friends, we have been chosen by God in Christ to be holy and blameless before God in love! Offer your prayers, saying, “O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people; *Lord have mercy.*”

We thank you, Lord Christ, that you have redeemed us, that you forgive us our trespasses, that you lavish us with grace. Grant to your church understanding that we may accomplish your purposes.

*The people are invited to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence.*

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people;

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: O God, raise up prophets like your servants John the baptizer and the prophets of old. Give courage and clarity to those who would speak truth to the world’s power. *Silence.*

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people;  
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: O Lord, the earth is yours and all that is in it, the world and all who dwell therein. Give us wisdom as we steward what belongs to you; give us the will to care for your creation. *Silence.*

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people;  
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: Just as David employed men to carry the sacred ark, we acknowledge before you our reliance on the efforts of others. Bless those who labor on our behalf and for our benefit. We pray for the day when all workers earn a fair wage. *Silence.*

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people;  
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: Jesus, in your name and by your hand the sick are anointed, the suffering are set free, and the heartbroken are healed. We pray for our sisters and brothers who are in need of your touch.

*The people are invited to add their petitions, followed by silence.*

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people;  
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: O God, it is your good pleasure, in the fullness of time, to gather all things to yourself. May those who have died enjoy forever the inheritance you have prepared for us in Christ. *Silence.*

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people;  
People: **Lord, have mercy.**

## Confession of Sin

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Minister and People*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

*Officiant 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 Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

### Blessing

### Closing Song

Hymnal 1982 – 645

The King of Love my shepherd is

*Columba*

*Courtney Steinberg, soprano*

- 1 The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ever.
- 2 Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.
- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.
- 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

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## Voluntary

Hermann Schroeder

VI: Poco vivace, from *Kleine Praludien und intermezzi*

*Brian Sapp-Moore, organ*

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## A Note on Today's Readings | *Eighth Sunday after Pentecost – Year B*

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Welcome to All Saints' Episcopal Church. Today's gospel reading follows the first mission of preaching and healing that Jesus sent the apostles out to do. They return and he takes them away for rest and reflection. Then they return to the crowds and Jesus has compassion on the people, who are like sheep without a shepherd. This image of Jesus as shepherd comes originally from David, the Shepherd King, and is a consistent image of God in the Old Testament.

In the first reading, God speaks through Jeremiah against the corrupt leaders of the people as bad shepherds preying on their sheep. God promises to come and be the people's shepherd. God will send the descendant of David who will care for all people as a loving shepherd.

We are called by God as individuals into a community of persons. Again and again in the sacred story the promise of God coming in person to care for the people is made. God will make all people into one flock, one community. In the liturgy, the tension between the personal and the communal is expressed and resolved. In Holy Communion, it is our selves that are offered, blessed, and broken, that we may be given as signs of Christ to the world.

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