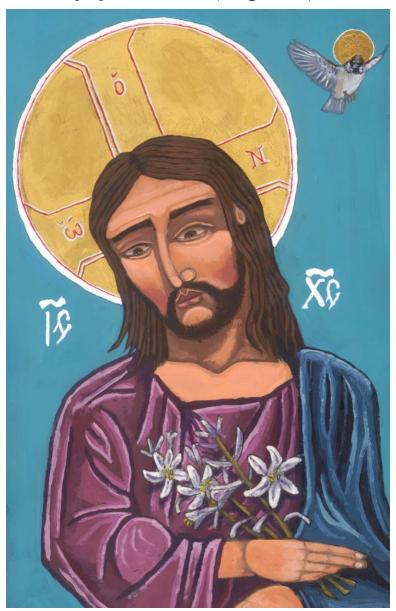
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EIGTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 31, 2022 (Proper 13)



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If God got us then we gonna be alright. ~ Kendrick Lamar

~ GATHERING ~

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Psalm 145)

The Lord gives food in due season;

God satisfies the desire of every living thing.

PRELUDE

Please sign the friendship register and pass it on.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 49: of the Folly in Trust of Riches)

Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world.

We are both low and high; we are rich and poor together.

Listening for wisdom, longing for understanding,

We incline our ears to hear God's wisdom in our gathering.

Do not be afraid in times of trouble,

God will ransom the soul, the Holy One will receive us.

Come, let us worship God.

***PSALM 49**

OUR HOPE, OUR LIFE

GTG #847

by Martin E. Leckebush

O WALY WALY

*POURING THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Creator, forgive us when we focus on earthly accumulation rather than on spiritual faithfulness. Forgive us when we are overcome by greed and neglect the needs of those around us. Forgive us when we turn inward and shirk the responsibilities of community. We seek renewal and new life in you. Amen. [Silent Confession.]

*RESPONSE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GTG #551

American folk melody

LAND OF REST

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In Jesus Christ, we have been forgiven and God has given us new life.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

ALLELUIA HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH!

GTG #591

Caribbean melody; arr. by John L. Bell

CHILDREN OF GOD

~ THE WORD ~

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

HEBREW BIBLE ECCLESIASTES 1:1-14 (OJB/NRSV)

HYMN YOU THIRSTY ONES, COME GTG #78

by Andrew Donaldson HEAVEN'S RAIN

GOSPEL READING LUKE 12:13-31 (NRSV)

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON THE WISDOM OF QOHELET

RESPONSE AMEN GTG #601

Anon. Danish

~ RESPONDING TO THE WORD ~

*Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

RESPONSE DOXOLOGY GTG #606

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

~ SENDING ~

*HYMN GOD, WHOSE GIVING KNOWS NO ENDING

GTG #716

by Robert L. Edwards

BEACH SPRING

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



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