



CHRIST CHURCH

PORTOLA VALLEY & WOODSIDE

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Welcome to Christ Church - the Episcopal Church in Portola Valley
The Rev. Beth Phillips, Rector
Lauren Wittine, Director of Music

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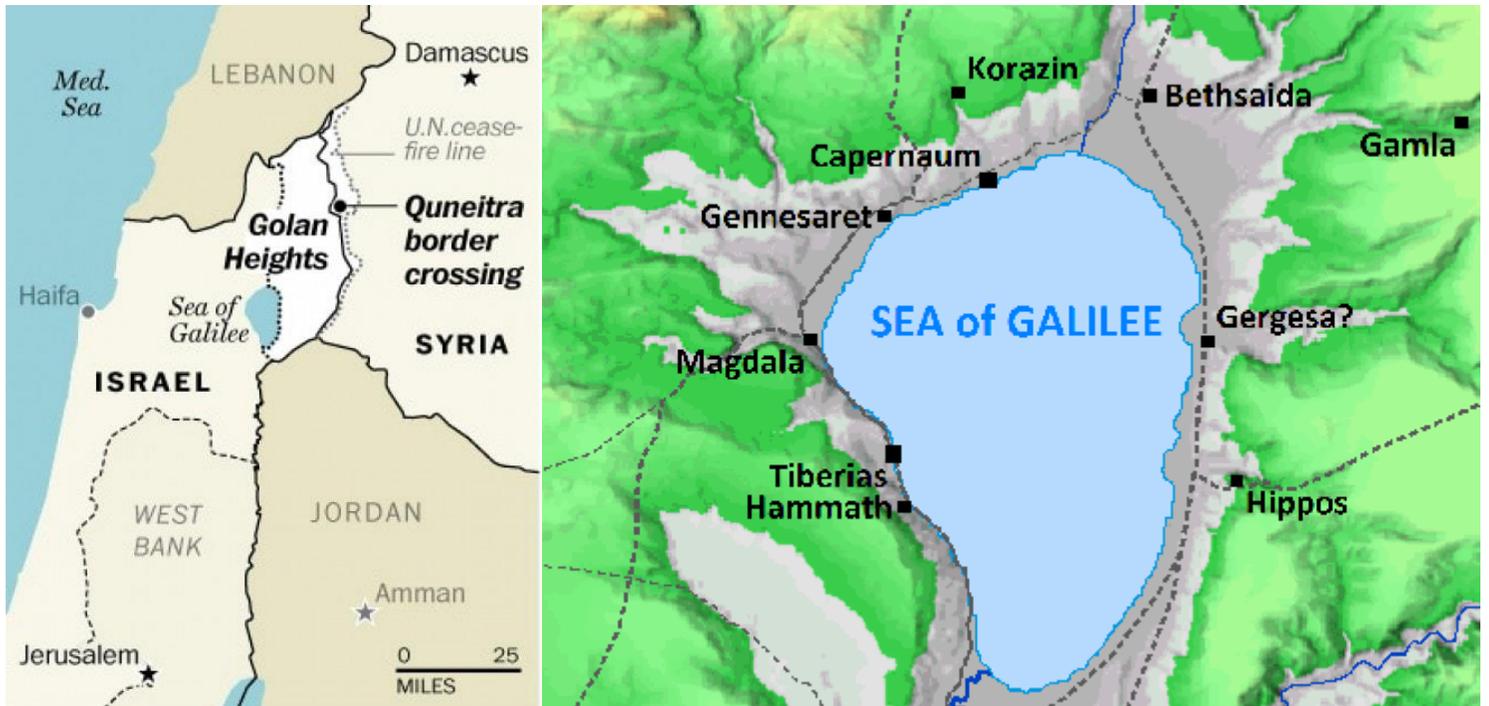
During this time of preparation, we invite you to share your prayers and petitions in the Zoom chat.





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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



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July 18, 2021

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Acolyte – Louise Delafield
Lesson – Carl Cheney
Psalm – Sherry Lund

Epistle – Catherine Aragon
Nicene Creed – Robert Redfern-West
Intercessions – Vinie Miller

Prelude

Lighting of Candle(s) *After the prelude and before the opening hymn, an acolyte lights a candle in place of the candles we light each week on the altar and says:*

Acolyte We light a candle to remind us of the light that came into this world with Jesus. It symbolizes the light of Christ.

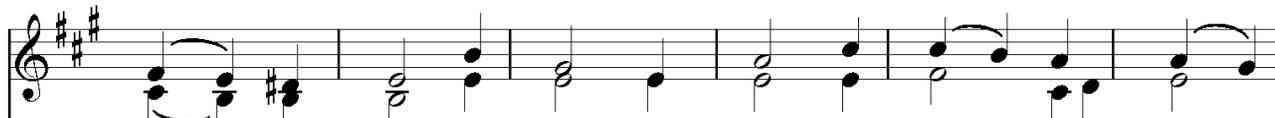
Opening Hymn #567

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

While on mute, please join in singing:



1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to
2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,
3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of



heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,
strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed
life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,



o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the
owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be
with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and



blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er
near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed
eyes that see, give wis - dom's heaven - ly lore, that whole and



set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.
street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - nes - aret's shore.
sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

Opening Acclamation

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

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

Officiant 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

“Gloria Deo” from *Taizé: Songs for Prayer*

While on mute, please join in singing the following refrain:

Glo - rí - a De - o! Glo - rí - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o!
De - o! Glo - rí - a,

glo - rí - a De - o! 5. For

Last time ◌

Music: Joseph Gelineau, SJ
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Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. 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 the Lord, alone the most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

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The Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray,

Officiant 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 Lesson – 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Reader A reading from Second Samuel.

When the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, “See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.” Nathan said to the king, “Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.”

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?” Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

Reader Here ends the reading.

Psalm 89:20-37

I have found David my servant;
with my holy oil have I anointed him.

My hand will hold him fast
and my arm will make him strong.

No enemy shall deceive him,
nor any wicked man bring him down.

I will crush his foes before him
and strike down those who hate him.

My faithfulness and love shall be with him,
and he shall be victorious through my Name.

I shall make his dominion extend
from the Great Sea to the River.

He will say to me, 'You are my Father,
my God, and the rock of my salvation.'

I will make him my firstborn
and higher than the kings of the earth.

I will keep my love for him for ever,
and my covenant will stand firm for him.

I will establish his line for ever
and his throne as the days of heaven."

"If his children forsake my law
and do not walk according to my judgments;

If they break my statutes
and do not keep my commandments;

I will punish their transgressions with a rod
and their iniquities with the lash;

But I will not take my love from him,
nor let my faithfulness prove false.

I will not break my covenant,
nor change what has gone out of my lips.

Once for all I have sworn by my holiness:
'I will not lie to David.

His line shall endure for ever
and his throne as the sun before me;

It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon,
the abiding witness in the sky.' "

The Epistle – Ephesians 2:11-22

Reader A reading from Ephesians.

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision” —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Reader Here ends the Epistle.

Sequence Anthem

All Is Summer

Susan Matsui

High o'er the billows we are wafted along,
Angel wing carry us;
Not one ripple to break on our song,
All is peace before us.
All is concert, all is summer,
while to heaven we are going;
But in the desert we're leaving behind,
The wint'ry winds are blowing.

Come, let us journey now as children of light,
In the Lord's righteousness,
Shadows fall away, Virtue is bright,
Justice, truth before us.
All illumined, when the light shines,
Makes the darkness fade unknowing;
Wake now, O Sleeper and rise from the dead
for Christ, His light, is showing.

The Gospel – Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon *The Reverend Beth Phillips*

A New Nicene Creed

Although this will be read by one person, you are invited to say the creed aloud at home while on mute.

We believe in God,
the creator of all life and beauty,
who blesses our journey.

We believe in Jesus Christ,
who lived as a friend and savior
to all he met as he traveled,
and who ate and laughed,
wept and celebrated
with them in love.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who rides on the gentle breeze,
who strengthens our bindings,
and who offers hope eternal.

We believe in the church,
which stands open to all travelers,
and bears witness to the everlasting love of God.
Amen.

You are invited to unmute yourself and join in the Prayers of the People. If the tech moderator mutes you, then it is because there is an echo or background noise that you may not be able to hear.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(from Intercessions for the Christian People, p. 38 and 109)*

Leader Inspired by the Spirit we now offer our prayers to God in the name of Jesus Christ, saying: Lord, have mercy.

For the fulfillment of the mission of the church, let us pray to the Lord:

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For the liberation of the children of God from the bondage of fear, let us pray to the Lord:

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For renewed witness to the gospel among Christian people in positions of public trust, let us pray to the Lord:

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For the leaders of the church and for the leaders of nations, that they may discern the ways to overcome divisions in mistrust, and may reflect your unity in every aspect of common life, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For our families, our households, and our communities, that they may be places of communion and mutual support, which build us up and strengthen us in grace and truth, let us pray to the Lord:

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For those among us celebrating their birthdays this week, including *Darci Reimund, Marty Coddington, Lisa Hill, Erin Miller, Charlotte Hill, Angela Hey, Bob Jones, Winston Crawford*, as well as *Juno & Peter Szalay* who are celebrating their anniversary, that they may continue to grow in God's grace, let us pray to the Lord:

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For the power to live out the promises of our baptism, let us pray to the Lord:

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For all of the sick and the suffering especially *Catherine Aragon, Casey McKibben, Duane, Jennifer and Anna, Laura Spilman*, and those we now name either silently or aloud (pause), let us pray to the Lord:

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Leader For those who have died, especially *Steve Meyer (brother of Catherine Aragon), Frank Gross, Russell Baldwin Miller, Courtney James Catron, Richard Turner, Jean Dickey, Nancy Wilson* and those we now name either silently or aloud (pause), let us pray to the Lord:

***People* Lord, have mercy.**

Officiant *Gracious God, whom Jesus called Abba, father, accept our prayers this day. By the inner workings of your Spirit, deepen our communion with you, the source and goal of our life, and make us more and more signs of your enduring love. This we pray through Christ who lives and works with you and the Holy Spirit one God now and forever, Amen.*

The Peace

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

The Lord's Prayer

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

All 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.

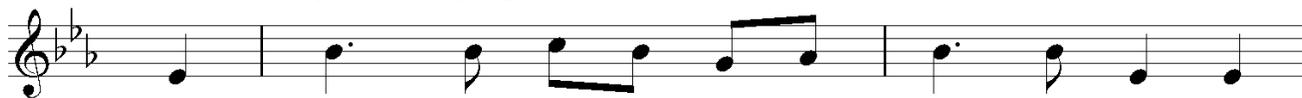
The Blessing

Announcements *If you have any announcements regarding church matters, please select the “raise hand” icon under the participants tab at the bottom of your screen, and a host will unmute you.*

Closing Hymn #653

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

While on mute, please join in singing:



1 Dear Lord and Fa - ther of man - kind, for -
2 In sim - ple trust like theirs who heard, be -
3 O Sab - bath rest by Gal - i - lee! O
4 Drop thy still dews of qui - et - ness, till
5 Breathe through the heats of our de - sire thy



1 give our fool - ish ways! Re - clothe us in our
2 side the Syr - ian sea, the gra - cious call - ing
3 calm of hills a - bove, where Je - sus knelt to
4 all our striv - ings cease; take from our souls the
5 cool - ness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let



1 right - ful mind, in pur - er lives thy ser - vice find, in
2 of the Lord, let us, like them, with - out a word, rise
3 share with thee the si - lence of e - ter - ni - ty in -
4 strain and stress, and let our or - dered lives con - fess the
5 flesh re - tire; speak through the earth - quake, wind, and fire, O



1 deep - er rev - erence, praise, in deep - er rev - erence, praise.
2 up and fol - low thee, rise up and fol - low thee.
3 ter - pret - ed by love! in - ter - pret - ed by love!
4 beau - ty of thy peace, the beau - ty of thy peace.
5 still, small voice of calm, O still, small voice of calm.

Dismissal

Acolyte Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stay for coffee hour!