



CHRIST CHURCH
PORTOLA VALLEY & WOODSIDE

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two
August 7, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME!

The Episcopal Parish of Portola Valley & Woodside

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All eligible people need to be vaccinated.
Please be smart, stay safe, care for others,
and stay at home if you don't feel well.

Thank you to today's volunteers!

Greeter	Mary Hufty
Usher	Danny Alegria
Acolyte	Louise Delafield
Altar Guild	Betsy Alexander
Lesson	Betsy Alexander
Epistle	Karen Hill
Intercessions	Andrew Hill

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN 636 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!
3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,



1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;



1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,



1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
 3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People **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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS S278

William Mathias (1934-1992)



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of
 God the Fa-ther. A-men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING *Genesis 15:1-6*

Reader A reading from Genesis.

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

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

PSALM 33:12-22 (*read in alternation*)

Celebrant Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord!
 happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

People **The Lord looks down from heaven,
 and beholds all the people in the world.**

From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze
on all who dwell on the earth.

**He fashions all the hearts of them
and understands all their works.**

There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army;
a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.

**The horse is a vain hope for deliverance;
for all its strength it cannot save.**

Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him,
on those who wait upon his love,

**To pluck their lives from death,
and to feed them in time of famine.**

Our soul waits for the Lord;
he is our help and our shield.

**Indeed, our heart rejoices in him,
for in his holy Name we put our trust.**

Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us,
as we have put our trust in you.

THE EPISTLE *Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16*

Reader A reading from Hebrews.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land,

living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION A Repeating Alleluia

Calvin Hampton (1983-1984)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE GOSPEL *Luke 12:32-40*

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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

THE SERMON *The Rev. Beth Phillips*

Please stand as you are able and say together:

THE NICENE CREED

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

(adapted from *Intercessions for the Christian People and Sundays and Seasons* 2018)

Leader Gracious God, you gathered together people of faith in every time and every place to be the risen body of Christ and the world. Enliven the church to nourish its members and to serve its neighbors. Lord in your mercy:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Holy God, you weave together the fabric of the universe. Forests and fields bear the banner of your abundance. Give us wisdom and discernment to be good stewards of our resources. Lord in your mercy:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Transforming God, we pray that you will help us to seek renewal of ourselves in this new season. Let your Holy Spirit challenge us to new goals and achievements in our spiritual lives, so that we may become the persons you have intended us to be. Lord in your mercy:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Sovereign God, you bless people with intelligence and compassion. Inspire citizens to raise up good leaders who seek peace and reconciliation among nations and who long to repair the world. Lord in your mercy:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Creative God, bless the work of musicians, composers, writers, painters and all artists. Move us to even greater praise through their gifts of creativity. Lord in your mercy:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Loving God, you house the homeless, feed the hungry, free the captives, and heal the sick. Make our hands your hands in service to strangers and friends. We pray especially for *Chet Wrucke, Gavin Christensen, the Harris family, Lorry Gordon, Grandma Kathy, Sue Phillips, Robert, Steve Millard, Matthew, Amy Tribble*, and those we now name either silently or aloud (pause). Lord in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Everlasting God, you bless us with a cloud of witnesses. With gratitude we recall the lives and deeds of those who have gone before us, in particular *Benjy Harris, Suzi King, Elizabeth Lee Jessup, Elizabeth Tucker, Harriet Catron, Alice Day, Charmian Kolar Hilleary, Kenneth Emerson Hunt, Franklin Moses, Mary Andrews Avery*, and those we name either silently or aloud (pause). Lord in your mercy:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We now lift to you the concerns on our own hearts, either silently or aloud (pause). Lord, in your mercy:

People **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Almighty and loving God we look to you in hope and trust knowing that you will do far more than we can ask or imagine through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **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.**

Celebrant 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 PEACE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dates for many of our upcoming events can be found on the back of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN 635 If thou but trust in God

Wer nur den lieben Gott

Unison or harmony

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through
2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part

all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,
faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;

and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -
thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.
sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

At the start of The Great Thanksgiving, please stand as you are able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.**

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

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

And so we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, as we say:

SANCTUS S130 *from Deutsche Messe*

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly,
 ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
 est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant We give thanks to you our Creator for our salvation through Christ. When we lost our way, you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. In him you have made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and lifegiving Spirit.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take,

eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant Remembering now the suffering and death and proclaiming the resurrection and ascension of Jesus our Redeemer, we bring you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All **All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Please be seated until it is your turn to come forward for Communion. Do not consume the host immediately upon receiving it. Please return to your seat with the sacrament and together we will consume the bread as the celebrant says the following words:

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

THE COMMUNION

All people (including children of all ages) are welcome to receive Communion at this Church. Please come forward as directed by the ushers. To receive the bread, hold out your hands and the clergy will place it on your palm without touching your hands. The celebrant will take a sip of the wine on behalf of the congregation. If you prefer not to receive the Communion, you may come forward placing your hands over your chest, and the clergy will be glad to offer you a blessing.

Please stand as you are able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Send us forth a people,
forgiven, healed and renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING *The Celebrant blesses the People, who respond Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN 517 How lovely is thy dwelling-place

Brother James' Air

1 How love - ly is thy dwell - ing - place, O Lord of hosts, to
2 Be - side thine al - tars, gra - cious Lord, the swal - lows find a
3 They who go through the des - ert vale will find it filled with
4 One day with - in thy courts ex - cels a thou - sand spent a -

me! My thirst - y soul de - sires and longs with -
nest; how hap - py they who dwell with thee and
springs, and they shall climb from height to height till
way; how hap - py they who keep thy laws nor



in thy courts to be; my ve - ry heart and
 praise thee with - out rest, and hap - py they whose
 Zi - on's tem - ple rings with praise to thee, in
 from thy pre - cepts stray, for thou shalt sure - ly

flesh cry out, O liv - ing God, for thee.
 hearts are set up - on the pil - grim's quest.
 glo - ry throned, Lord God, great King of kings.
 bless all those who live the words they pray.

THE DISMISSAL

One Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

A PRAYER FOR CELEBRATIONS

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Check our weekly email for more details.

Tuesday, August 9

9:30 a.m.

Zoom Outreach Planning Meeting. Questions, contact Kathy Kennedy.

Zoom Code: <https://zoom.us/j/97649227080>

Sunday, August 21

1:30 p.m.

Need singers/readers for a SpiritCare program at Silver Oaks Memory Care.

Contact Angela Hey.

Sunday, September 25

Making 10,000 meals for those in need worldwide. Register now on our website!

<http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/CCPVW2022>

Contact Mary Soubirous

Ongoing

Hotel-sized toiletry drive for Maple Street Shelter.

Items may be dropped in donation boxes in the breezeway.

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