



SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2021

*11th Sunday after Pentecost*

## **BAS Holy Eucharist**

*Be Still and Know MV 77*

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.**

***All Creature of Our God and King CP 355 (vs 1-4, 7)***

***All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing:  
alleluia, alleluia!***

***Bright burning sun and golden beams, pale silver moon that gently gleams,  
alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

***Great rushing winds and breezes soft, you clouds that ride the heavens aloft,  
O sing now, alleluia!***

***Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice; stars nightly shining, find a voice,  
alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

***Swift flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear,  
alleluia, alleluia!***

***Fire, so intense and fiercely bright, you give to us both warmth and light,  
alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

***Earth ever fertile, day by day unfold your blessings on our way,  
O sing now, alleluia!***

***All flowers and fruit that in you grow, God's glory let them also show:  
alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

***Let all things their creator bless, and worship God in humbleness,  
alleluia, alleluia!***

***Praise God the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One:  
alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

Unseen God, drawing all people to the end of our desires: teach us to know true bread from false and to feed on him who shares our flesh, Jesus Christ, our communion. **Amen.**

***2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33***

The king gave orders to Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, 'Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.' And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule,

and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab's armour-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him. Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, 'Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you.' The king said to the Cushite, 'Is it well with the young man Absalom?' The Cushite answered, 'May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.' The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, 'O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would that I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!'

Listen for God's word. **Our hearts are open.**

**Psalm 130**

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We hope in God with all our heart. all our heart.

after Darwall's 148th

Out of the depths

**have I called you, O Lord;**

Lord, hear my voice;

**let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.**

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss,

**O Lord, who could stand?**

For there is forgiveness with you;

**therefore you shall be feared. R**

I wait for you, O Lord; my soul waits for you;

**in your word is my hope.**

My soul waits for you, O Lord,

**more than sentinels for the morning, more than sentinels for the morning.**

O Israel, wait for the Lord,

**for with the Lord there is mercy;**

with whom there is plenteous redemption,

**and who shall redeem Israel from all their sins. RR**

***Ephesians 4:25-5:2***

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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***The Church Is Wherever God's People VU 579***

***The church is wherever God's people are praising,  
singing God's goodness for joy on this day.***

***The church is wherever disciples of Jesus remember  
his story and walk in his way.***

***The church is wherever God's people are helping,  
caring for neighbours in sickness and need.***

***The church is wherever God's people are sharing  
the words of the Bible in gift and in deed.***

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

***John 6:35, 41-51***

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. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they

died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

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

*Sermon*

Please join me in reciting the Apostles' Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Let us pray.

Creator of the heavens, lead all peoples into a common life of justice, faith and peace:

**Giver of breath, hear our prayer.**

Inspire the Queen, the Governor General, the Prime Minister and all in authority to serve the people of this country according to your holy will:

**Giver of breath, hear our prayer.**

Guide the growth and development of all children and young people:

**Giver of breath, hear our prayer.**

Deliver and keep the sick in your love:

**Giver of breath, hear our prayer.**

Support and keep steadfast all who for the sake of justice and truth have been condemned to exile, prison, harsh treatment or hard labour:

**Giver of breath, hear our prayer.**

Direct our lives in the same spirit of service and sacrifice as shown by the prophets, apostles, martyrs and all who have borne witness to the gospel:

**Giver of breath, hear our prayer.**

*Additional intercessions, petitions and thanksgivings may be offered in silence or aloud. Among these concerns it is appropriate to remember*

- *local government and community leaders;*
- *all who provide local services;*
- *those who work with young and elderly people;*
- *schools, colleges and universities;*
- *emergency and rescue services and organizations.*

Creator of the universe, the light of your glory shines in the darkness of our lives. Make us attentive to your presence, prompt to serve you and ever eager to follow in the steps of the one who is our true light, Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us all to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

**Most merciful God, All 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 neighbours 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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you**

***God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending CP 601***

***God whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store  
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door -  
gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;  
thankful song shall rise forever gracious Donor of our days.***

***Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:  
all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.  
Now direct our daily labour, lest we strive for self alone.  
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.***

***Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred,  
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.  
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,  
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.***

*Stewardship moment*

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

May God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator. **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation.

Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

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

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen.**

As our Saviour taught us, 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, now and for ever. Amen.**

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread. **So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

*All Who Hunger VU 460*

*All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.  
Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.  
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see God is good.*

*All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.  
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.  
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see God is good.*

*All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread.  
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led.  
Blest are those who from this table live their lives in gratitude.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see God is good.*

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, so that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

**Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Blessing*

*There's a Spirit in the Air VU 582 (vs 1,2,4,5)*

*There's a spirit in the air, telling Christians everywhere:  
"Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working in our world."*

*Lose your shyness, find your tongue, tell the world what God has done:  
God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today!*



*Still the Spirit gives us light, seeing wrong and setting right:  
God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today!*

*When a stranger's not alone, where the homeless find a home,  
praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working, in our world.*

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Readings for next Sunday – August 15, 2021

**St. Mary the Virgin**

Isaiah 7:10-15; Psalm 132:6-10, 13-14;  
Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 1:46-55