

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

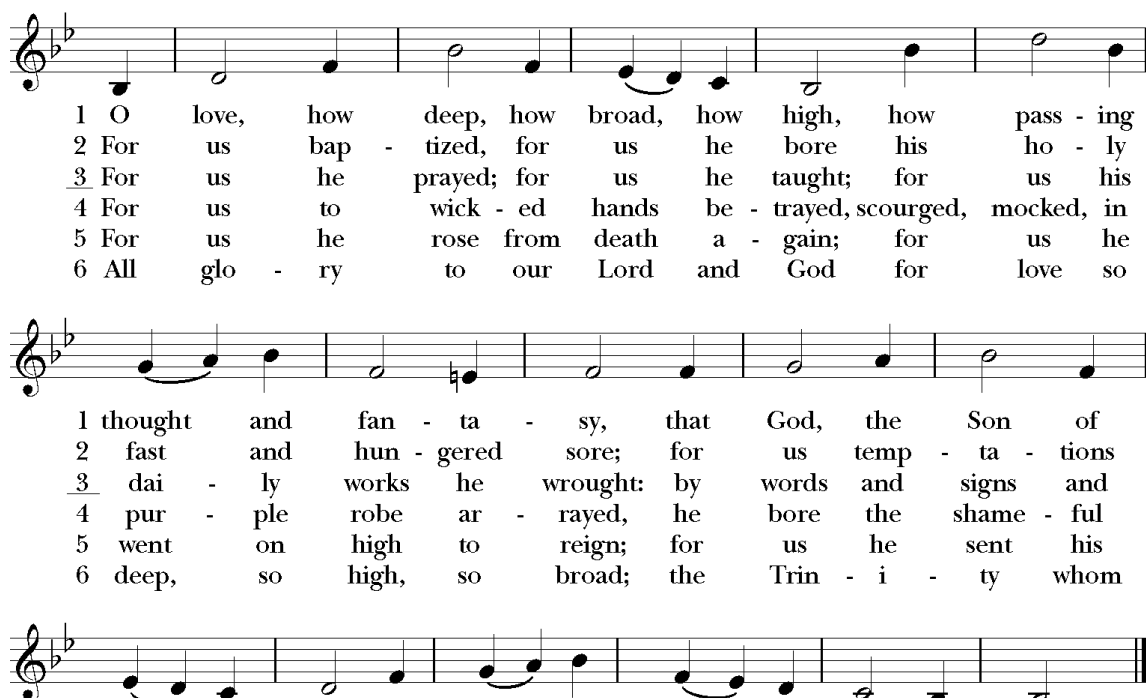


St. Aidan's Episcopal Church
July 25, 2021 10:00 a.m.

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Hymn: O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

Hymnal 1982, #448



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he
6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so

1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and
4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his
6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom

1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.
3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Opening Acclamation

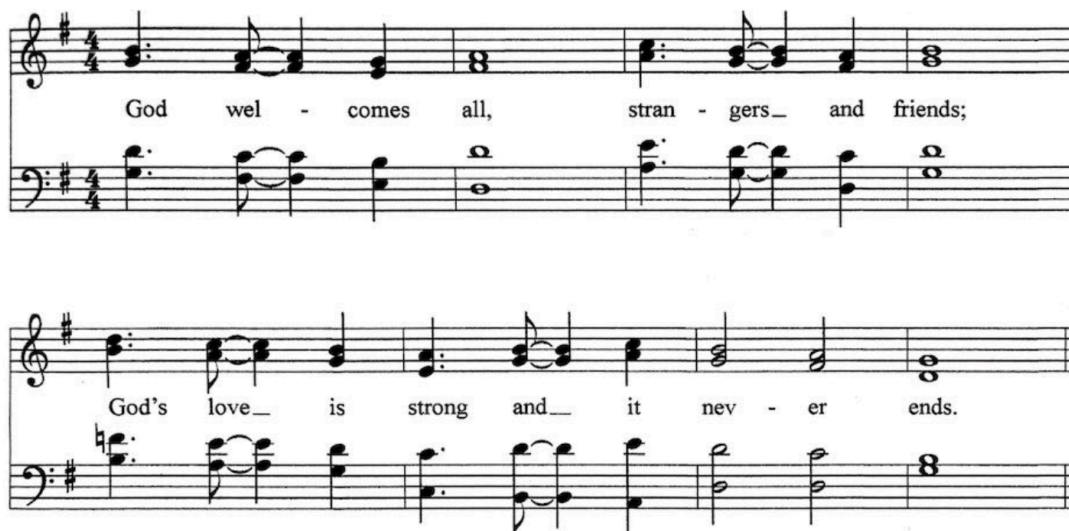
Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People ***Glory to God for ever and ever.***

A video recording of the following prayer and song of praise is shared.

Deacon God of creation, whose vibrant light calls us to new growth, open our hearts to trust your work, the slow work of tending the seeds of our spirit. Strengthen us in trials of impatience and guide our vision to flourishing community. That with awareness of our instability we turn to your presence in this liminal time and awaken to life. Lead us with perseverance that we may reflect the warmth of the flame: a vibrant, passionate, unpredictable, joyful, and embracing community. In hope we pray. ***Amen.***

Song of Praise: God Welcomes All



The Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Presider Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The First Reading

Lector A reading from 2 Samuel (11:1-15).

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant."

So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you

live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing.” Then David said to Uriah, “Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back.” So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, “Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die.”

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 14

The Deacon introduces the Psalm and leads the congregation in the antiphon. All then recite the verses together in unison.

Antiphon: God is in the company of the righteous.

- 1 The foolish have said in their hearts, “There is no God.”* All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.***
- 2 God looks down from heaven upon us all,* to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.***
- 3 Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad;* there is none who does good; no, not one.***
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers* who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon God?***
- 5 See how they tremble with fear,* because God is in the company of the righteous.***
- 6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted,* but God is their refuge.***
- 7 Oh, that Israel’s deliverance would come out of Zion!* when God restores the fortunes of the people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel will be glad.***

Antiphon: God is in the company of the righteous.

The Second Reading

Lector A reading from Paul’s letter to the Ephesians (3:14-21).

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Hymn: O Love of God, how strong and true

Hymnal 1982, #456



1 O Love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal
 2 (O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous) Love, we read thee
 3 (We read thee best in him who) came to bear for
 4 (We read thy power to bless and) save e'en in the



and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -
 in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -
 us the cross of shame, sent by the Fa - ther from on
 dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion



bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all
 low, in seas that swell and streams that
 high, our life to live, our death to
 light we read the full - ness of thy



thought. 2 O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous
 flow. 3 We read thee best in him who
 die. 4 We read thy power to bless and
 might.

The Gospel

Deacon
 People

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John (6:1-21).
Glory to you, O Christ.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

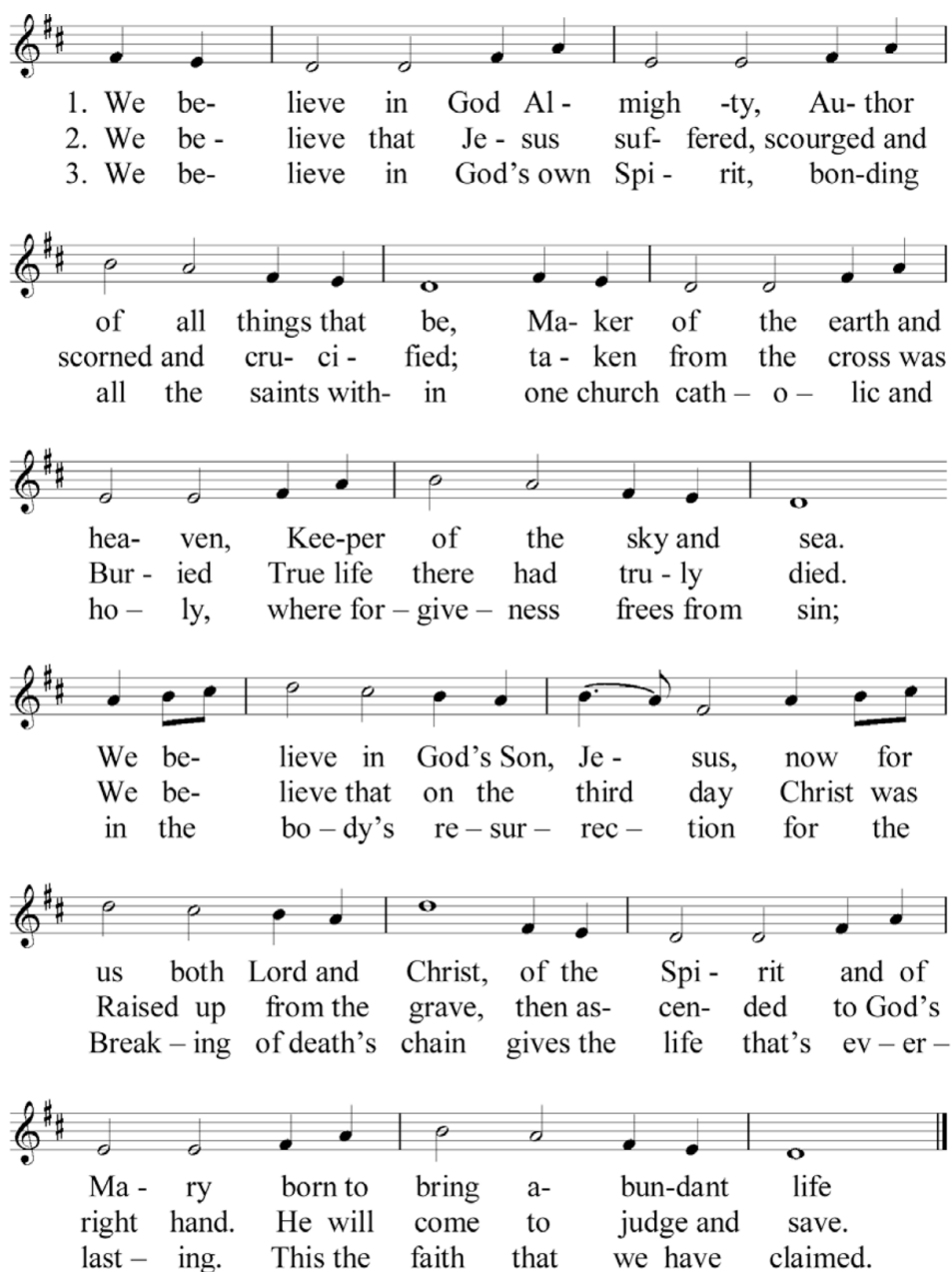
When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.
People ***Praise to you, O Christ***

The Sermon

The Rev. Cameron Partridge

Sung Creed



1. We be- lieve in God Al- migh -ty, Au- thor
2. We be- lieve that Je- sus suf- fered, scourged and
3. We be- lieve in God's own Spi- rit, bon-ding

of all things that be, Ma- ker of the earth and
scorned and cru- ci- fied; ta- ken from the cross was
all the saints with- in one church cath- o- lic and

hea- ven, Kee-per of the sky and sea.
Bur- ied True life there had tru- ly died.
ho- ly, where for- give- ness frees from sin;

We be- lieve in God's Son, Je- sus, now for
We be- lieve that on the third day Christ was
in the bo- dy's re- sur- rec- tion for the

us both Lord and Christ, of the Spi- rit and of
Raised up from the grave, then as- cen- ded to God's
Break- ing of death's chain gives the life that's ev- er-

Ma- ry born to bring a- bun-dant life
right hand. He will come to judge and save.
last- ing. This the faith that we have claimed.

Prayers of the People

Intercessor Bless the garden of your Church, O God. Guide those who plant and tend it. Protect the new growth, strengthen the flourishing, and make us fruitful in ministry and mission. [*We pray for the Church as named in our prayer list*]... and others we now name either silently or by unmuting and praying aloud.

God of grace, ***hear our prayer.***

Intercessor Bless the gardens of the world, the soil and rain and sunshine, and the work of all who sow and reap. Give abundant harvests, and teach us to share them with justice. [*We pray for justice and peace in the world as named in our prayer list*]... and offer additional prayers either silently or by unmuting and praying aloud.

God of grace, ***hear our prayer.***

Intercessor Bless the gardens of our community, the shelter of families, the fragrance of friendship. In all our care for one another, make us grow in wisdom and love, in gentleness, kindness and truth. [*We pray for all celebrating birthdays this week, as listed in our prayer list*]... and offer additional thanks either silently or by unmuting and praying aloud.

God of grace, ***hear our prayer.***

Intercessor Give tender care to all who are struggling through weakness, sickness, grief, distance or change. Show us your grace at work in the times when growth is painful or when death is near. [*We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, and we pray for those who have recently died*]... and for others either silently or by unmuting and praying aloud.

God of grace, ***hear our prayer.***

Presider Bring us and all creation to newness of life, through Jesus Christ, the true vine. Give us grace to abide in him as fruitful branches, and gather us at last with all your saints around your abundant table. ***Amen.***

The Peace

Presider Living Spirit, you are the breath of life and peace. May that peace be with you all.
People ***And also with you.***

You are invited to share a physically distanced sign of peace or if you are on Zoom, unmute and greet each other in the name of Christ.

Announcements

Offertory Sentence

Presider Thus says the Lord: “I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live.” Let us with joy lift up offerings of our life and labor to God.

Offertory Hymn: All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

Wonder Love and Praise, #761

1. All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na
 2. All who hun - ger, nev - er stran - gers, seek - er, be a
 3. All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is

is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring.
 wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing.
 liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing.

Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for
 Here, in joy we keep the feast. We that once were
 Here, in peace, we have been fed. Blest are those who

days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
 lost and scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.
 from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.

Taste and see that God is good.
 Taste and see that God is good.
 Taste and see that God is good.

The Deacon sets the table.

The Liturgy of the Table

Presider

God be with you.

People

And also with you.

Presider

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to God.

Presider

Let us give thanks to God.

People

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People ***By your will they were created and have their being.***

Presider From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People ***Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.***

Presider Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People ***By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.***

Presider And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Wonder, Love, and Praise #857

The musical score is written for a choir or vocal ensemble, featuring a soprano line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score consists of four systems of music. The first system begins with a melodic phrase in the soprano part: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of'. The second system continues with 'pow'r and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.' The third system has 'Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who'. The fourth system concludes with 'comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The bass line provides a harmonic accompaniment throughout, often using chords and moving lines.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow'r and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

Presider

And so, O God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People ***We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.***

Presider Lord God of our forebears: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Hagar, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People ***Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.***

Presider Accept these prayers and praises through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All assembled ***God 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.***

The Fraction

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

The Invitation

Lifting the bread and cup, the Presider invites the people, saying

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God: take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose for you, and feed on Christ in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

This Altar belongs to God and all are welcome to partake, wherever you are on your journey of faith.

At this time in our pandemic context, in accordance with diocesan guidance about refraining from the common cup, we are sharing communion “in one kind” — bread only.

If you choose to not receive the bread, you are also welcome to come forward for a blessing; simply cross your arms over your chest.

The Bread is given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

During Communion, those present via Zoom are encouraged to pray the following prayer for Spiritual Communion that we have all been sharing together throughout the pandemic.

In union, O God, with your people at every altar of your Church, we offer you praise, giving thanks for your presence in the holy gifts of bread and wine. In our spatial distance we invite you to come spiritually into our hearts, nourishing and strengthening us as members of your body. Amen.

Communion Hymn: Come, Lord, Be Our Guest

Come, Lord, be our guest, Find your way a-mong us ;

you whose word and will sowed the seed which sprung us.

Earth, your for-mer home, _____ still is where we meet you ;

there - fore we greet you, _____ Christ our God a-lone.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system is for the first verse, the second for the second verse, the third for the third verse, and the fourth for the fourth verse. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature.

Iona, Love from Below, 102-103

2. Come, Lord, be our guest,
Join our conversation;
Free our tongues to speak
Without reservation.
Where your people meet,
You perfect their pleasure;
Therefore we treasure
All you have to share.

3a. Come, Lord, be our guest.
Gathered round your table,
We confess our faith
More than fact or fable.
You who made, of old,
All that earth was needing,
Blessing and feeding
Here will make us new.

4. Come, Lord, be our host,
Bread and wine are waiting.
On your words depend
All our celebrating.
Fill us with your love,
Healing and forgiving;
Then, in us living,
Show our love your way

Communion Hymn (2): Taste and See

Wonder Love and Praise, #764

Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness

of the Lord. O taste and see. Taste and

see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord. **Fine**

1. I will bless the Lord at all times.
 2. Glo - ri - fy the Lord with me.
 3. Wor - ship the Lord all you peo - ple.

His praise shall al - ways be on my
 To - geth - er let us all praise his
 You'll want for noth - ing if you

lips; name. ask. my I soul called Taste shall the and

glo - ry and he an - swered me; see that God is good; Lord; for from in

he has been so good to me. all my trou - bles he set me free. him we need put all our trust. *D.C.*

Postcommunion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

Presider & People

Risen Christ, whom we have seen with our eyes, who has nourished us in spirit, the word of life in whom our joy is complete: embolden us to declare your truth, your unshakable faith in the world you love. Amen.

Blessing

Presider

God's Blessing be with you,
Christ's peace be with you,
the Spirit's outpouring be with you,
now and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: Halleluya! We Sing Your Praises

Gather, #562

Refrain

Hal - le - lu - ya! We sing your prais-es, all our
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - ya! We sing your
prais-es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.

Verses

1. Christ the Lord sends to us all said: I am in
2. Now he sends us all out, strong in
wine, I am of bread, I am in wine, I am in
faith, free of doubt, strong in faith, free of
bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.
doubt, to pro - claim the joy - ful Gos - pel.

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless God.
People ***Thanks be to God!***

Serving St. Aidan's

The Rev. Cameron Partridge, *Presider & Preacher*
The Rev. Margaret Dyer-Chamberlain, *Deacon*
The Rev. Amy-Newell-Large, *Deacon (on video)*
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Anne Benninger, Lee Hammack, Elaine Jennings, Michael Jennings,
Janet Lohr, Jim Oerther, Kathy O'Loughlin, Kateri Paul,
George Slaiman, Jill Tollefson, & Rolf Tollefson, and perhaps you!, *Choir*
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Margaret Tait, *Intercessor*
Patrick Hall, *In-Person Greeter*
Elena Wong, *Zoom Greeter & Sound Muter*
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- * The Prayers of the People are adapted from the Anglican Church of Australia's "Intercessions: Garden Theme" and can be found online at <https://acen.anglicancommunion.org/media/61558/Thanksgiving-Collect-Intercessions-Garden-theme.pdf>
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Announcements

Hybrid In-Person/Zoom Worship Today

This week and moving forward our worship will be hybrid, with both in person and Zoom platforms available. In person, all those in attendance will all be masked. We encourage you to connect to with worship in whatever way is comfortable for you. For the latest on the Diocesan regathering guidance, please see: <https://diocal.org/diocesan-regathering-plan#e>.

St. Aidan's Gourmet Book Group – Tomorrow!

We have moved our July book to September since people have been having difficulty in reserving *The Code Breaker* from the library. We have substituted a new book for July. Please see below. We will continue to meet via zoom with LeeAnn DeSalles serving as our Zoom master. She will be sending you zoom instructions prior to our meetings. If you would like help with zoom, please contact LeeAnn at leeanndesalles@comcast.net. If you would like to join the Book Group, please contact elaine@mannon.com.

The upcoming books and dates are:

- **Monday, July 26, 2021**
 - 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
 - *An American Childhood – A Memoir by Annie Dillard* – An American Childhood avoids being a sentimental celebration of lost innocence. Over the course of the narrative, adolescent self-consciousness emerges to bedevil and stymie her. But in Dillard's reckoning, the emotional effect of our ability to be in the world and know it is finally not despair but rejoicing and gratitude.
- **Monday, August 30, 2021**
 - 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
 - *The Widows of Malabar Hill* by Sujata Massey: A sensory rich mystery that illuminates the divisions within India's religious groups whose members struggle between devotion to the old ways and an increasingly modernizing world.
- **Monday, September 27, 2021**
 - 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
 - *The Code Breaker: Jennifer Doudna, Gene Editing and the Future of the Human Race* by Walter Isaacson. Focusing on the life and career of Doudna, the co-winner of the 2020 Nobel Prize in Chemistry, Isaacson anguishes over the ethics of gene editing as well as its potential to control future pandemics.

Good News Gardens Monthly Gardening Group On Site at St. Aidan's!

Our Good News Gardens group, which has been growing produce for our Diamond Diners group each month, is expanding its reach! We're going to sponsor monthly garden spruce-up Saturdays at the church (this is a "fancy" way of saying that there is always weeding to be done...) Our gardening days will be the 4th Saturday of each month (for the next three months that's August 28, September 25, and October 23) from 11:30-2 pm. We thought we could start the days by each of us bringing a picnic lunch and sitting in the driveway to catch up, have lunch, and plan our work together. Our thought is that this will be a nice way to be back together, safely masked and outdoors – kind of a bridge to being back in person, and a way to enjoy God's creation - right on our church grounds.

If you have questions, please contact Deacon Margaret, mdyerc@stanford.edu or 650-619-0781.

Update from Urban Angels SF

3rd Annual School Supplies Program – Backpacks filled with school supplies for unhoused K to 12 children living in SF.

Urban Angels SF needs to raise \$15,000 more to pay \$30,500 to buy 1,220 backpacks and fill them with new school supplies. On August 7, these will be handed out to needy children who are eagerly waiting for them in time for the start of the new school year. Each backpack full of school supplies costs \$25. To donate by credit card, go to <https://www.urbanangelssf.org/school-supplies-drive>. To pay by check, make it payable to Urban Angels SF and send it to 5228 Diamond Heights Blvd., San Francisco, CA 941341. All donations are tax deductible. All your support is going directly to help school children who really need it. Thank you.

Grateful to be in service,

– Nelson Barry, Founder & President, Urban Angels SF
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Please send in your recipes for the COVID Connect Cookbook!

As shared in previous weeks, Peter Fairfield and Linnea Sweet are putting together the COVID Connect Cookbook. He's received several recipes thus far but would very much like more. He writes:

We are living through a time that will change our world in ways that we cannot yet begin to understand. We can hope that our shared vulnerability to this virus worldwide will help us see that all humanity is connected and that we must all work together. As we shelter in place, many of us are concerned with food. If we are not working, how will we afford it? If we cannot go out, how will we get it?

In our community of Saint Aidan's, many are able to feed themselves and to help others get fed. More than that, we appreciate the food that we get and are finding new ways of making the sharing of food as enjoyable as possible.

The soup recipes that Cameron has been sharing in the Spark have made our diet much more enjoyable and have given Linnea and I the inspiration to collect recipes from all the congregation and share them. We ask that everyone with a favorite recipe email it to us at peterlinnea@earthlink.net. We will collect and edit them into a cookbook—the COVID Connect Cookbook—that will be a lasting reminder of this strange and special time in all our lives. We hope to be able to publish this cookbook in printed form and sell it to raise funds in support of Saint Aidan's food ministries. We know you have been sharing food. Now please share your recipes!

Contemplative Prayer: Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday from 9-10 AM via Zoom

Contemplative Prayer is silent with the beginning and ending marked by a bell. You can practice meditation, silent prayer, journal, or otherwise enjoy the collective quiet. Thank you to Susan Spencer for offering to anchor this practice once again, especially the Saturday, during this time. Please feel free to reach out to the office for access information: office@staidansf.org

Morning Prayer: Mon, Wed, Fri at 7:30 AM via Zoom

Morning Prayer helps sustain and ground us, online/over the phone! Please feel free to reach out to the office for access information: office@staidansf.org

Calendar for the Week of July 25, 2021

Sunday, July 25	Holy Eucharist (Hybrid) at 8 & 10 AM
Monday, July 26	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM Gourmet Book Group (via Zoom) from 7-9 PM
Tuesday, July 27	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM
Wednesday, July 28	Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM Evening Prayer (via Zoom) at 6:30 PM
Thursday, July 29	Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM Kaffeeklatsch (via Zoom) from 3-4 PM

Friday, July 30 Morning Prayer (via Zoom) at 7:30 AM
Food Pantry (at Church Doors) from 12-1 PM for people 60+ or in need of
an accommodation, and from 1-2 PM for all

Saturday, July 31 Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom) at 9 AM

St. Aidan's Vestry

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St. Aidan's Prayers

In Your Prayers, Please Remember:

In the Episcopal Church: Pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop; Marc our Bishop; the clergy of the Diocese; our Rector Cameron; our assisting priests Don and Gary; our Deacons Margaret, Mark, and Amy; our Music Minister Barry; our Parish Administrator Azaleah.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Scottish Episcopal Church.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for St. James', Fremont; St. James', San Francisco; and Santiago/St. James', Oakland.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the Animal Companions Ministries (the Animal Companion Memorial & the Blessings in the Dog Park).

For those with birthdays this week: Doris, Christine P., and Peter G.

For all striving for mental and emotional balance and wholeness, and for their families and friends;

For those who have asked for our prayers: Amy K., Anna, Anne, Arlene S., Carol O., Erv O., Glen R., Jean O., Jim H., Jim O., The Littmann Family, Natalie, Reagan S., Tina R.

For the ongoing work against intersecting forms of oppression, particularly racism; and in affirmation of human dignity;

For Oscar Grant, Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, Rayshard Brooks, Elijah McClain, Walter Wallace, Adam Toledo, Daunte Wright, and all whose lives have borne deep witness that Black Lives Matter, and that systemic racism, white supremacy, and police brutality must be eradicated.

For our congregation as we embrace our call to be a sanctuary people, may we commit ourselves to prayer, education, and practices of sanctuary to support immigrants to this country and all people who are estranged, excluded, or threatened in 21st century America.

For all who are struggling in this time of pandemic, vulnerability, intensified injustice and division; for strength, support, and community across physical distances and for deepened engagement and commitment to our common life;

For those who have recently died: Sammy Dyer, Sheri Geesey, Barry Johnson, Jason Littmann, Jim McKnight, Vereta Powell, Ted Wong, and all who have died in wars, natural disasters, or other violence around the world and for their families.

To place a name on our prayer list, please contact the church office at 415-285-9540, ext. 3 or office@staidansf.org. Names of the living are printed by first name and will be kept on the prayer list for four weeks. To keep someone on the list for longer, please notify the office.



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