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**SUNDAY SERVICE**

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*We welcome you today to St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole Anglican Church. We follow the Order of Service in the **Book of Alternative Services.***

**Prelude:** "Pater Noster VII" ..... Denis Bedard

## **Welcome**

## **THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. *John 6.68*

**Opening Hymn** 337 "God, your glorious presence" ..... ARNESBURG

God, your glorious presence draws us to adore you,  
And with awe appear before you.  
In your holy temple all keep mystic silence,  
Prostrate lie with deepest reverence.  
You alone God we own, you our God and Savior:  
Praise your name forever.

In God's glorious presence, hear the harps resounding!  
See the hosts the throne surrounding!  
"Holy, holy, holy" hear the hymn ascending,  
Angels, saints their voices blending!  
Bow your ear to us here: hear, O Christ, the praises  
That our church now raises.

Fount of endless blessing, purify my spirit,  
Trusting only in your merit.  
Like the holy angels who behold your splendour,  
May I ceaseless worship render.  
Let your will ever still rule your church terrestrial,  
As the hosts celestial.

## **Greeting**

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

**People: And also with you.**

Officiant: Almighty God,

**All: 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.**

## Glory to God

Officiant: Glory to God in the highest

**All: and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, 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 are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## Collect of the Day

Officiant: Let us pray

*(a moment of silence is taken)*

Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### First Lesson 1 Kings 8:(1,6,10-11), 22-30, 41-43

Reader: A reading from the book of 1 Kings

Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the leaders of the ancestral houses of the Israelites, before King Solomon in Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which is Zion. Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the LORD to its place, in the inner sanctuary of the house, in the most holy place, underneath the wings of the cherubim. And when the priests came out of the holy place, a cloud filled the house of the LORD, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud; for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD. Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, "O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O LORD, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, 'There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.' Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David. "But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant's prayer and his plea, O LORD my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and

forgive. "Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name--for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm--when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 84** ..... Chant: C. H. H. Parry

How dear to me is your dwelling, O | Lord of | hosts!  
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice ' in the | living | God.

The sparrow has found her a house  
and the swallow a nest where she may | lay her | young;  
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,  
my | Sovereign | and my | God.

Happy are they who | dwell in ' your | house!  
They will | always ' be | praising you.

Happy are the people whose | strength is ' in | you,  
whose hearts are | set ' on the | pilgrims' | way!

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a | place of | springs,  
for the early rains have | covered it ' with | pools of | water.

They will climb from | height to | height,  
and you, the God of gods, will re|veal your|self in | Zion.

Lord God of hosts, | hear my | prayer;  
\_ | hearken, ' O | God of | Jacob.

Behold our de|fender, ' O | God;  
and look upon the | face of | you're an|ointed.

For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my | own | room,  
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God  
than to | dwell in ' the | tents of ' the | wicked.

For you, Lord God, are both | sun and | shield;  
\_ | you will ' give | grace and | glory;

no good thing will you withhold, O Lord,  
from those who walk with integrity.

O Lord of hosts,  
happy are they who put their trust in you!

**Second Lesson    Ephesians 6:10-20**

Reader: A Reading from the book of Ephesians

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn 617 "Jesus, the very thought of thee" ..... ST. BOTOLPH**

Jesus, the very thought of thee, with sweetness fills the breast;  
But sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind recall  
A sweeter sound than Jesus' name, the Saviour of us all.

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek;  
To those who ask, how kind thou art, how good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show  
The love of Jesus, what it is none but his lovers know.

Jesus, our only joy be thou, as though our prize wilt be,  
In thee be all our glory now, and through eternity.

**Holy Gospel: John 6:56-69**

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Gospeller: Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father." Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sermon:** The Rev. Sherri Golisky

**Apostle's Creed**

Officiant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**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.**

Officiant: Having reaffirmed our faith, let us prepare to offer our prayers to God.

**Prayers of the People** *(as prepared by Helen Edmonds)*

**The Lord's Prayer**

Officiant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**All :** **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.**

Officiant: Glory to God,

**All:** **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**

Officiant: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, upon those whom you love, and those whom you would pray for, today and always. **Amen.**

**Hymn:** 403 "Let all things now living" .....THE ASH GROVE

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving  
To God the creator triumphantly raise,  
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.  
Love's banners are o'er us; God's light goes before us,  
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,  
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,  
As forward we travel from light into Light.

God's law still enforces the starts in their courses  
And causes the sun in its splendour to shine;  
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
The deeps of the ocean in praises combine.  
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;  
With glad adoration a song let us raise  
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:  
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

**Dismissal**

Officiant: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:** "Founded on an old Irish church melody V" ..... C. V. Stanford ach

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**1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10–11), 22–30, 41–43**

Our readings this season have given us snapshots from 1 and 2 Samuel of the transition in Israel from judges to kingship in the period 11-50-1050 BCE. This forms part of a larger history of Israel and Judah running from Joshua through 2 Kings, consisting of older sources that at some point, likely in the early exile (post 587 BCE) were drawn together by writers associated with the Deuteronomistic reform movement. We have traced the transition from Samuel, the last judge, to Saul, the first king in northern Israel, to David, a gang-leader from southern Judah who rose to power and usurped Saul's kingdom. And we have followed his rise to power, and the collapse of his family into rape, murder, and revolt. Many scholars refer to much of the narrative in 2 Samuel as the Succession Narrative, a propaganda document prepared for Solomon half a century later (perhaps around 950 BCE) to justify his coming to the throne and displacing David's other sons. Today's reading takes us to the crowning moment of Solomon's reign, when the Temple has been completed in all its glory, and Solomon dedicates it with sacrifices, the placing of the Ark in the most holy place, and a great prayer. Like all the major speeches and prayers in the Deuteronomistic history, these words are likely those of the Deuteronomistic editors, specially crafted to drive home their key themes: the importance of obedience to the law of YHWH, and the risks of punishment (by natural causes or military invasion) for disobedience. These are complex texts, drawn from various sources, and offering layered portrayals of key figures, and in what follows in Kings, we see that despite Solomon's wisdom, and the glory of his kingdom and the temple he builds for Israel's God, YHWH, there is an underbelly of acquisitiveness, excess, brutality and oppression that leads ultimately after his death to revolution and the breaking up of his kingdom into north and south, Israel and Judah. [Suggested further reading for this week 2 Samuel 18 through 1 Kings 6-12.]

*[Dr. Walter Deller/2021]*

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