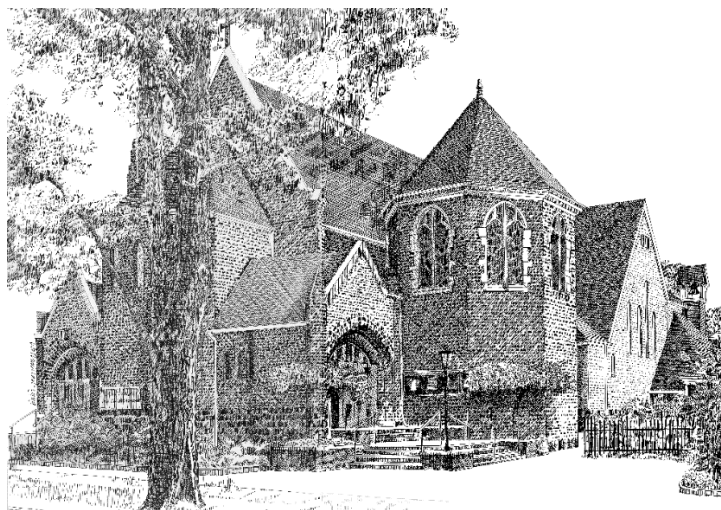




**The Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity  
Sunday, September 12, 2021**

**Sung Eucharist at 9:30 am**



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*The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of almighty God:*

*In loving memory of Carmen and Lionel Hendrickson;*

*In loving memory of Alice and Harry Barnsley, by Earl and Elizabeth Barnsley and family;*

*In memory of James Campbell Forsyth, Lillas Helen Simpson Forsyth, and Mary Evans Fiddes;*

*and*

*In thanksgiving for the memory of Bert Kish.*

**Celebrant & Homilist:** Fr. Humphrey  
**Cantor:** Jordan Baldwin  
**Reader:** Bruce McEachern  
**Organist & Director of Music:** Matthew Whitfield

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**MUSIC OF THE MASS** – New Plainsong Mass, *David Hurd*

**PRELUDE:** Ach Gott, tu dich erbarmen, BWV 1109 - *J.S. Bach*

#### **GREETING**

*Celebrant:* 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.**

#### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God,

*People:* **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.**

#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO**

*Celebrant:* Glory to God in the highest,  
**and peace to his 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.**

#### **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 50.4-9a**

*A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah:*

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him that is weary. Morning by morning he wakens, he wakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I turned not backward. I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been confounded; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The word of the Lord.  
**R / Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: 116.1-8**

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, \*  
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; \*  
I came to grief and sorrow.
- 3 Then I called upon the name of the Lord: \*  
“O Lord, I pray you, save my life.”
- 4 Gracious is the Lord and righteous; \*  
our God is full of compassion.
- 5 The Lord watches over the innocent; \*  
I was brought very low, and he helped me.
- 6 Turn again to your rest, O my soul, \*  
for the Lord has treated you well.
- 7 For you have rescued my life from death, \*  
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.
- 8 I will walk in the presence of the Lord \*  
in the land of the living.

**SECOND READING: James 3.1-12**

*A reading from the Epistle of Saint James:*

Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, for you know that we who teach shall be judged with greater strictness. For we all make many mistakes, and if any one makes no mistakes in what he says he is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body also. If we put bits into the mouths of horses that they may obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Look at the ships also; though they are so great and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So the tongue is a little member and boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is an unrighteous world among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the cycle of nature, and set on fire by hell. For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by humankind, but no human being can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brethren, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening fresh water and brackish? Can a fig tree, my brethren, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The word of the Lord.  
*R / Thanks be to God.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia. I do not glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Alleluia.

### THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 8.27-38

V / The Lord be with you.

*R / And also with you.*

V / The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

And Jesus went on with his disciples, to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that I am?" And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." And he charged them to tell no one about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. And he said this plainly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him. But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter, and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not on the side of God, but of men." And he called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The Gospel of Christ.

*R / Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

### SERMON

## THE NICENE CREED

*Celebrant:* Let us confess our faith, as we say,

*People:* **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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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.**

## INTERCESSIONS

*Celebrant:* Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the church and for the world.

*silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**R / Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, and for all who serve and minister to God's people.

*silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**R / Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our nation, province, and city. We pray for peace this day on the memorial of the September 11, 2001 attacks; may there be understanding reconciliation between all peoples, nations, and faiths and may honour one another and serve the good of all humanity.

*silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**R / Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for all those in need, for the sick\_\_\_\_\_, and all those suffering from the coronavirus, for elders in isolation, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all for whom our prayers are asked\_\_\_\_\_, that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord.

*silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**R / Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* I ask your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially \_\_\_\_\_ who have died in recent days, and on their year's mind for \_\_\_\_\_, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom.

*silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**R / Hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* Loving God, hear these our prayers and open our ears to hear your word; draw us closer to you so that the whole world may be one with you as you are one with us in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### INVITATION, CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant:* Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*A Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant:* Most merciful God,

***People:* 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.**

*Celebrant:* 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

V / The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**R / And also with you.**

*Please stand for the hymn during the Offertory, sung by the Cantor alone*

**OFFERTORY HYMN 373**

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| 1 Ye servants of God,<br>Your Master proclaim,<br>And publish abroad<br>His wonderful name:<br>The Name all-victorious<br>Of Jesus extol;<br>His kingdom is glorious,<br>And rules over all.    | 3 Salvation to God<br>Who sits on the throne!<br>Let all cry aloud,<br>And honour the Son.<br>The praises of Jesus<br>The angels proclaim,<br>Fall down on their faces,<br>And worship the Lamb.        |
| 2 God ruleth on high,<br>Almighty to save;<br>And still his is nigh;<br>His presence we have.<br>The great congregation<br>His triumph shall sing,<br>Ascribing salvation<br>To Jesus our King. | 4 Then let us adore,<br>And give him his right;<br>All glory, and power,<br>All wisdom, and might;<br>All honour and blessing,<br>With angels above,<br>And thanks never ceasing,<br>And infinite love. |

HANOVER, probably by Wm. Croft, 1708

*Rev. Charles Wesley, 1744*

**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Holy God, accept all we offer you this day. May we who are reconciled at this table bring wholeness to our broken world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*V* / The Lord be with you.

*R* / **And also with you.**

*V* / Lift up your hearts.

*R* / **We lift them to the Lord.**

*V* / Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*R* / **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the holy people who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your Name.



## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

*celebrant:* Therefore, Father, according to his command:

*People:* **We remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory.**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant:* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

*People:* **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.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant:* "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.  
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;  
whoever believes in me will never thirst."

*People:* **Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
Happy are they who trust in him!**

## HOLY COMMUNION

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the people of God.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## MOTET

Bist du bei mir, BMV 508, *G.H. Stölzel; J.S. Bach*

*Be thou with me and I'll go gladly to death and on to my repose. Ah, how my end would bring contentment, if, pressing with thy hands so lovely, thou wouldst my faithful eyes then close.*

*The Cantor sings:*

## AGNUS DEI

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.*

## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

WHICH MAY BE SAID BY THOSE NOT RECEIVING

**My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.**

## ANIMA CHRISTI

**Soul of Christ, sanctify me.**

**Body of Christ, save me.**

**Blood of Christ, inebriate me.**

**Water from the side of Christ, wash me.**

**Passion of Christ, strengthen me.**

**O good Jesu, hear me.**

**Within thy wounds hide me.**

**Suffer me not to be separated from thee.**

**From the malicious enemy defend me.**

**In the hour of my death call me.**

**And bid me come to thee,**

**That with thy saints I may praise thee,**

**For ever and ever. Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

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 among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*The Cantor alone sings:*

### CONCLUDING HYMN 248 – Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands

- 1      Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands  
         That holy things have taken;  
         Let ears that now have heard thy songs  
         To clamour never waken.
- 2      Lord, may the tongues which ‘Holy’ sang  
         Keep free from all deceiving;  
         The eyes which saw thy love be bright,  
         Thy blessed hope perceiving.
- 3      The feet that tread thy holy courts  
         From light do thou not banish;  
         The bodies by thy Body fed  
         With thy new life replenish.

*ACH GOTT UND HERR*  
*Melody by C. Peter, c. 1655*  
*Adapted and harmonized by J.S. Bach*

*Liturgy of Malabar*