

# 9:30 am August 10, 2025 + 9th Sun after Pentecost

## Intergenerational Worship

*Welcome to St. Aidan's! Please find the full texts in  
The Book of Common Prayer (red) and the words and music in The Hymnal (blue)*

### Prelude

### Entrance Hymn

*I sing a song of the saints of God*

**The Hymnal 293**

### The Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

**The Book of Common Prayer 355**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People** And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

*The Celebrant prays the collect for purity*

### Kyrie Eleison

**The Book of Common Prayer 356**

### The Collect of the Day

**The Book of Common Prayer 232**

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.

### First Lesson: Genesis 15: 1-6

**The Book of Belonging pp. 46-7**

As time went by and Abraham's family stayed small, his trust began to tremble. But God was still with them. Reliable, merciful, and always kind. "Don't be afraid, Abraham," God soothed. "You're protected, and you're never alone. I will bless you." "But when? How?" Abraham pleaded, his hope now a mere whisper. "We've been following you for so very long, yet we still don't have children." He stood under the night sky, feeling very small and forgotten. "Look up," came the voice of God, fresh and familiar as the wind. "See if you can count the stars, from here to the horizon. That's how big your family will be." Abraham's head tipped back, and his eyes grew round with wonder. He could count all night and still never finish! *This is how many family members God is promising? How can this be? How can it not be?*

### Psalm 33: 12-22 Exultate, just!

**The Book of Common Prayer 626**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## **The Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

**New Testament p. 175**

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.

**Gospel Hymn**      *This little light of mine*

Harry Dixon Loes

## **The Gospel: Luke 12:32-40**

**New Testament p. 57**

*Gospeller*      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."

*Gospeller*      The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**      **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

**The Rev. Mary Kate Réjouis and The Rev. Amanda Barker**

## **The Nicene Creed**

**The Book of Common Prayer 358**

## **Prayers of the People**

**Special Form**

The response to the bidding "Lord in your mercy" is "**Hear our prayer.**"

## **Confession and Absolution**

**The Book of Common Prayer 360**

## The Peace

### The Offertory

*“...to give and give and give again, what God has given thee”*



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### Offertory Hymn

*All things bright and beautiful*

**The Hymnal 405**

*As the gifts are brought forward the Doxology is sung*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;  
praise God above ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### The Holy Eucharistic Prayer A

**The Book of Common Prayer 361**

*Celebrant* All things come of thee, O Lord.

*People* And of thine own have we given thee.

**The Sursum Corda**

**The Sanctus**

**The Great AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**The Book of Common Prayer 364**

**Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;

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

### The Invitation and Sharing of Holy Communion

*Please come forward when the Usher indicates to stand or kneel at the communion rail. To **receive by intinction**, please point toward the intinction plate and the clergy will hand you the consecrated bread that has been dipped in the consecrated wine. To receive from the **common cup**, take the bread in your hands, consume it, then take a sip from the chalice, guided by the chalice minister. If you prefer to receive **only the bread**, or to receive **gluten-free** Holy Communion, please ask. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.*

*After you have received communion, individual healing prayer is available in the back of the sanctuary.*

**Communion Hymns** *Come and fill our hearts with your peace*

**Taizé 18**

*Amazing grace*

**The Hymnal 671**

### Postcommunion Prayer

**The Book of Common Prayer 366**

*Celebrant and People pray together*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

### The Blessing

*The people respond by saying "Amen" and making the sign of the cross.*

### Hymn

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

**The Hymnal 616**

## The Dismissal

*The people are dismissed, and respond by saying*

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

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Would you like to assist in our worship by reading or serving?

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*Prayers of the People for this Season of Belonging at St. Aidan's are written by The Rev. Amanda Barker.*

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## Thank you for joining us today!



The Rev. Mary Kate Rejouis, **Rector**

The Rev. Amanda Barker, **Curate**

The Rev. Steve Wengrovius, **Priest Associate**    The Rev. Monica Butler, **Campus Chaplain (ELCA)**

The Rev. Dr. Kay K. Cook, **Retired**

The Rev. Jan Oller, **Retired**

Mr. Wes Leffingwell, **Music Director**

Ms. Katiann Nelson, **Keyboardist & Assistant Director**

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# The Pause

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*Pause  
Sing  
Pray*

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