

The 11th Sunday after Pentecost ~ August 24, 2024 ~ 9 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 with a Service of Holy Baptism

Opening Hymn: #8 "Morning has broken"

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom now and forever.

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism

People: One God and Father of all.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Collect of the Day: Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Isaiah 58:9b-14

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Reader: The Word of the Lord ***People: Thanks be to God***

The Psalm: Psalm 103:1-8

- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, ***
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.
- 2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, ***
and forget not all his benefits.
- 3 He forgives all your sins ***
and heals all your infirmities;
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave ***
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, ***
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
- 6 The Lord executes righteousness ***
and judgment for all who are oppressed.
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses ***
and his works to the children of Israel.

**8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.**

The Second Lesson: Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. ***People: Thanks be to God.***

Sequence Hymn: #296 "We know that Christ is raised"

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord ***People: Praise to you, Lord Christ***

Sermon

The Reverend Ronald Kolanowski

The Service of Holy Baptism

Sponsor: I present **Stella Carol Groleau** to receive the
Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you
present will be brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Answer: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to
grow into the full stature of Christ?

Answer: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of
wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which
corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from
the love of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer: I do.

Celebrant: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer: I do.

Celebrant: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer: I do.

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support **Stella** in her life in Christ?

People: We will.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: 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.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: 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.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

Celebrant: Let us now pray for **Stella** who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Open her hearts to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Bring **Stella** to the fullness of your peace and glory

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.

Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Stella Carole, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray together.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Stella Carole, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Hymn: #411 "O, bless the Lord, my soul"

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

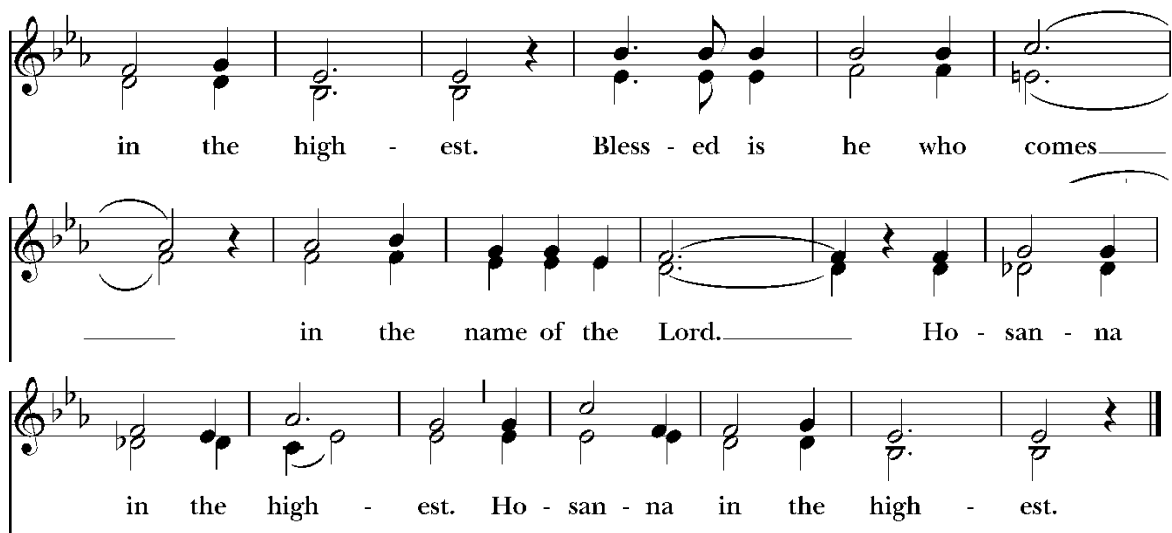
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus: S-130 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The music features a mix of half notes, quarter notes, and eighth notes, with some measures containing rests. The overall mood is reverent and joyful.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na



The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father... Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Communion Hymn: #671 “Amazing Grace”

Post Communion Prayer (in unison)

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The Blessing

Closing Hymn: #493 “O for a thousand tongues to sing”

Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God

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Parish Family Remembrances and Thanksgivings for Aug. 24, 2025

We pray for our clergy: Sean, the Presiding Bishop; Jeff & Laura, the Bishops of CT; for our priest Ron; for Doug our seminarian; for our deacons Donna & Marge; and for all bishops, priests and deacons;
In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Epiphany, Southbury; St. Paul’s, Southington; Church musicians: organists; choirs & choir directors; bands; community chorister programs; parish & diocesan committees on liturgy, music & worship; *Church of the Province of South East Asia*.

We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week: Joyce Dombrowski 8/27, Clyde Conrad, Jr. 8/28, Peter Myers 8/28, Heidi Schluntz 8/29, JoAnn Osmond 8/30, and those celebrating anniversaries.

In St Peter’s Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all our parish family and Especially for those who have requested our prayers: Hannah Janowiak, Bill Day, Lonni, Bonnie R., Renee, Fran, Janet, Annette Cucchi, Sarah, Leslie Vallee, Kelly Johnson, and for those in our Continuing Prayer list, that you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs.

We pray for those who have died, remembering especially
Steffanie Borst

Continuing Prayer List

Peter Leibert, Randy, Mario, Maria, Stephanie, John Lumsden, Rosemarie, Roberto Rodegher, Linda Snarski, Len & Kim Begin, Nancy Kirkham, Sheila, Peter & Barbara Farren, Andrew, Peggy Cobb & family, Adrian Mandeville, Neal, Loretta, Judy, Robin, Brenda, Richard Taylor, Jim, David Rigby, Judy Knox, June Beauvais; Star, Norm, Aimee Goodrich, Justin, Derek Anderson, Janet Nixon, Bill D., Steve Dubin, Ryan, Marlin Corbean; Brian; Kathryn & Olivia; Caroline, Ron Lamp, Lou and Heidi Schluntz, Ambrosio Vidal & Family, Jeannette Farren, Rina Bettancourt; Susan Hicks & family, Ella & Nicole, Noel, Daryl.

On Going Activities

- Balance Class: Mondays 10:15 a.m. \$5 per session.
- Cub Scouts: 1st Mondays 5:30-7 p.m. suspended for the summer
- Buildings & Grounds: first Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
- Boy Scouts: Wednesdays, 7 p.m., suspended for the summer
- Vestry: Third Thursdays, 5 p.m.

Book Discussion A beloved teacher helps modern people live the Bible's message more fully.

Respected teacher and author Verna Dozier explores the ways that humanity and the institutional church have strayed far from Jesus's original message. To help us get back on track, she examines the Bible: a theological and historical record of hundreds of years in which two communities of faith (Jewish and early Christian) explored their own life experiences. Our task now is not to ask which interpretations are correct, but to ask "what did it mean to them" and "what does it mean for us?" Dozier encourages us to see

Christianity not as creed or institution, but as “the vision of a new possibility for human life rooted in an ancient understanding of God and lived out by a Nazarene carpenter.”

Through adept storytelling and study, Dozier reawakens our sense of calling and our desire for truth.

We will be reading this book, “The Dream of God” by Verna Dozier and getting together to talk about it this fall. The meetings will be held from **11:30-1 p.m. every Monday starting September 8, ending November 3rd**. A signup sheet will be at the back of the church and in the hall.

The book is available on Amazon.

