

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost~ Proper 14

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, The Dalles August 8th, 2010

Deacon: The Reverend Stephen Schafroth

Celebrant: The Reverend Janet Fullmer

The Word of God

The Opening Hymn

Sweet hour of prayer

LEVAS 178

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, That calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Father's throne Make all my wants and wishes known.
In seasons of distress and grief My soul has often found relief.
And oft escaped the tempter's snare By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, Thy wings shall my petition bear
To Him whose truth and faithfulness Engage the waiting soul to bless;
And since He bids me seek His face, Believe His word and trust His grace.
I'll cast on Him my ev'ry care, And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, May I thy consolation share,
Till from Mount Pisgah's lofty height I view my home and take my flight:
This robe of flesh I'll drop, and rise To seize the everlasting prize.
And shout, while passing through the air, "Farewell, farewell, sweet hour of prayer!"

The Acclamation

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

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

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid.
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.**

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**Glory to God in the highest, 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.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant 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.**

Please be seated.

The First Reading

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 50:1-8,23-24

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- 1 The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; * he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, * God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above * to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 “Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; * for God himself is judge.
- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak: “O Israel, I will bear witness against you; * for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; * your offerings are always before me.
- 23 Consider this well, you who forget God, * lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
- 24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me; *
but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God.”

The Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16

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. The

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free;
tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee in closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong,

in hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way,
in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

The Gospel

Luke 12:32-40

Deacon 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Janet Fullmer

Silence

The Nicene Creed

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**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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; for Rowan, Archbishop of Canterbury; for Katharine, our Presiding Bishop; for Nedi, our Bishop; for Janet, our Rector and Stephen, our Deacon; we pray for the retired clergy of this parish, for John, Lewis, Norman, Robert, and Rustin. We pray for Adult Education Camp. We pray for all who serve in your church;

That we may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for this country; for our president, Barak Obama, and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We pray for all members of this parish, and ask your blessings upon them as they minister in their work, play and with friends and family. In our congregational cycle of prayer, we pray for Lowry Browning, Peggy Davis, Marilyn Roth, Pam Miller, and Mathew Kirby; we pray for all who serve this country, and for all who go forth to serve others in your name. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

We give you thanks for all those who serve in ministries that enrich and bless the lives of others;

Silence as the People add their own petitions either silently or aloud

We give thanks for the work you have given us to do, and seek your strength to serve you faithfully.

That your love may be known throughout the earth.

Bless and hold all our neighbors who are in need, especially those affected by disasters, *war, and poverty*;

Silence as the People add their own petitions, either silently or aloud

Have compassion on all who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for Lester, Marcine, Kelsey, and Tracie, our own needs, and those of others.

Silence as the People add their own petitions. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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 on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements, Thanksgivings, Blessings and Celebrations of Life

Thank Offerings this quarter will be used to supply books for St. Paul's library at L'Ecole d'Spirit, Cap Haitien.

The Holy Communion Eucharistic Prayer A

The Offertory

Anne Frazier and Julie Reynolds

The Doxology

Hymnal 380

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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 God thanks and praise.**

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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

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God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

**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.

And 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 forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

The Fraction Anthem 8:00: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

10:00: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; S 154
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All are encouraged and welcome to receive communion, either in the bread and wine, or a blessing. The Bread and the Cup are given
with these words: The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]*

The Communion Hymns

Let us break bread together on our knees

LEVAS 152

Let us break bread together on our knees;
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
Oh Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
Oh Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
Oh Lord, have mercy on me.

The Postcommunion Prayer *Please stand.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with lesser things,
give heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.

Rise up, ye saints of God! His kingdom tarries long:
Lord, bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.

Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod;
and quickened by the Spirit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

Deacon *Dismissal*
People **Thanks be to God!**

Servers This Morning:

Celebrant: The Rev. Janet Fullmer; Deacon: The Rev. Stephen Schafroth;

Acolyte: Denise Beasley; Worship Leader: Don Dickinson; Eucharist Minister: Marilyn Roth; Lector: Ron Fullmer;

Prayers of the People: Jim Shinn, Rosemary Ross; Altar Guild: Anne Frazier, Kim McCullough;

Pianist: Rule Beasley; Altar Bread: Anne Frazier;

Coffee Hour: Laurance and Ava Sue Kerr; Greeter: Prudence Miller.

***Today's flowers are given by Jerry and Anne Frazier in loving memory
of the Wood Family, Anne's Family, Mom, Dad and Joan.***

PLEASE PRAY:

For Rustin and Gretchen Kimsey, and for Navajoland as they celebrate the beginning of their life together with their new bishop, David Bailey; Lester Fullmer, Marcine, Kelsey, Keely, Jeremy, Tracie, Darrell Lloyd, Jane Schafroth, Lloyd Walworth, Patrick, Tracey, Caroline, Dale, Jan Copeland, Mark Nelson, Robert Pierre, Anthony Joseph, Angela Delores, Piper, Leslie, Cathy Dahl, Megan McCarren, Bryon Nixon, Bill Thomas, Blake Gallagher, and Bonnie Myatt.

For our Vestry: Andrea Booren; Dewanda Clark, Clerk; Monte Dickinson, Senior Warden; Jill Durow; Pat Fowler; Jerry Frazier, Treasurer; Ava Sue Kerr; Laurance Kerr, Junior Warden; Robert Kirby; Amy McIlvenna; Julie Reynolds; Marilyn Roth; Diane Walworth.

For those serving in the Armed Forces of our Country and for all those who serve and protect us, especially Albert South, Mathew Ketchum, Jordan, Joshua Smith, Kyle McCullough, Turf McCullough, Tim Gallagher, Kevin Gross, Gayle Johnson, Travis Kennedy, Ben Schloss, Michael Stebbins and Max Turner.

CALENDAR:

Monday	AA "open" meeting	7:00 pm Tayler Hall
Tuesday	Bible Study	1:00 pm Mill Creek
	Book Group	7 pm Library
Wednesday	Eucharist Service	Noon, Diocesan Chapel, 601 Union St.
	Collegium	10 am-4 pm Tayler Hall
Thursday	Healing Service	Noon
	Al-anon Meeting	12:30 pm – 1:30 pm
Friday		
Saturday	AA Potluck	6-9 pm Tayler Hall

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

Isaiah 5:1-7, 10-20; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18;

Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CELEBRATION OF NEW MINISTRY: for their new rector, Reverend Anna Carmichael, August 14, at 4:00 pm, St. Mark's, Hood River.

SUMMER BOOK CLUB: *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor is a lighter but highly interesting book to read and share thoughts about. The meetings are planned for Tuesday evenings, 7 pm August 10 and 17—with dessert—in St. Paul's Library. If you'd like a copy, please leave your name in the office, and we'll get one for you. Happy reading in the heat!

COLLEGIUM: The gathering of diocesan clergy will take place at St. Paul's on Wednesday, August 11. There are a few clergy who will need overnight housing for Tuesday night, or possibly for Tuesday and Wednesday night. If you would be willing to host someone in your home, please contact Diane Adams at 541-298-4477 or dadams@episdioeo.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTING AT THE UNDERHILL SITE: Join parents, grandparents, Sunday school teachers, children, and the rest of our St. Paul's family for a day of fun and exploration at the Underhill Site in Dufur on Saturday, August 14. We will meet at St. Paul's at 9:30 am and carpool to the picnic site, returning to St. Paul's by 3 pm. Please bring a sack lunch—extra water and snacks will be provided. There will be times of reflection and enjoying God's amazing creation. Questions? Call Pam Miller or Gretchen Kimsey.

CHILDREN'S MURAL ~ Please be thinking about a theme for the children's mural which will adorn the Sunday School room across from the kitchen, in Tayler Hall. Anya Ballinger Kawka will lead the children~ and all of us~ in discovering our artistic and creative talents, as we create and paint this great addition to the space. WHAT that mural will depict is up to us to decide! So, if there is a theme that particularly speaks to you, write it down and put it in the Mural Suggestion Tin in the Narthex. It can be a Bible verse or story...a theme, such as creation...or healing...or The Holy Spirit...or...or...or! Exercise those little grey cells, and then exercise that right brain, and have a whole lot of fun in the process!

NEWSLETTERS, PAMPHLETS, NEWS, EPISCOPAL MINUTE SUMMARIES AND VARIOUS AND SUNDRY OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST: Available in the Narthex- please peruse and pick up any items of interest—the answer to the question you never thought to ask may be waiting for you!

THE DIOCESAN CONVENTION will be in Hood River, October 1-3. Materials are on the kiosk, and now is the time to review them. Deadlines are approaching. If you would like to serve, or to nominate someone to serve, please consider one of the open positions and file before August 17: Standing Committee, Diocesan Council, and Diocesan Commission on Ministry; descriptions are posted. Millenium Development Goal (MDG) #1: *Eradicate Extreme Poverty and Hunger*, is the focus of the convention: if you have suggestions about which of our parish projects you think illustrates our response to MDG #1, please pass it on and it will be included.

Also, the theme of the convention is "**Being Christ's Hands in the World...[No Excuses]**" Hands...they're looking for photos of our hands- at work, play and prayer. Be ready to have your hands photographed, and if you take a photo, please pass it on to the office or a vestry member, and we'll get them sent off together.

BIBLE STUDY ON TUESDAYS meets at Mill Creek Point at 1000 Vey Way.

Please come and join in scripture study that is interesting, provocative, fun, frequently inspiring, and always a help to hearing the lessons on Sunday. You are warmly invited to come and share time with this great group!

REMINDER: PRAYER BASKETS, AND VESTRY AND PARISH NEWS, NOTECARDS FOR ERD

*Prayer baskets are located just as you enter the nave, and at the votive candles;

*Packets of note cards made by P.K. Swartz are in the narthex: the proceeds support ERD.

*Vestry news, pictures, notices of parish events, financial reports, and items of interest are on the kiosk in the narthex and on the web site. Please check them out!

THANKS to Laurance and Ava Sue Kerr for today's coffee hour!

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