

# *The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

*October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009*

*Celebrant: The Reverend Janet Fullmer*  
*Deacon: The Reverend Stephen Schafroth*

St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
The Dalles, Oregon

## **The Word of God**

### **The Opening Hymn**

*Morning has broken*

Hymnal 8

Morning has broken like the first morning,  
black-bird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's fall sunlit from heaven,  
like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! mine is the morning  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's recreation, of the new day!

### **The Acclamation**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**And blessed be God's 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 inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### *Gloria*

Hymnal S 280

**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* Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The children and Sunday School teachers depart; all others, please be seated.*

The Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.” So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.” Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm**

Psalm 8

*Domine, Dominus noster*

- 1 O LORD our Governor, \* how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children \* your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \* to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? \* the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; \* you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \* you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, \* even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \* and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O LORD our Governor, \* how exalted is your Name in all the world!

**The Second Reading**

Hebrews 1:1-4;2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God’s glory and the exact imprint of God’s very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, “What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet.”

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father.

For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

The Word of the Lord.

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

**Sequence Hymn**

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee*

Hymnal 376

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
                  hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;  
                  giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays,  
                  stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain, blooming meadow, flashing sea,  
                  chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,  
                  well-spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!

Thou our Father, Christ our Brother: all who live in love are thine;  
                  teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

**The Gospel**

Mark 10:2-16

*Deacon*           The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

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

Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Janet Fullmer

*Silence*

**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.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

Father, we pray for all members of 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 Katharine, our Presiding Bishop; Nedi, our Bishop; Janet, our Rector; Stephen, our Deacon. We pray for the retired clergy of this parish, for Rustin, Lewis, John, Norman and Robert, and for all who serve in your church.  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray 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 members of this parish, especially for Anne Frazier, Ron Clark, Claudia Leash, Jan Swartz, and Meredith VanValkenburg. We pray for the Haiti Mission Team, our Sunday School students and teachers, and all those who care for the children. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

We pray for all those whose ministries enrich the lives of others. We pray today for the Diocese of Eastern Oregon and the annual Convention; for Bishop Rustin and the diocese of Alaska; Father Daniel and the people of Sudan; the Rev. Dr. Ateek and the diocese of Jerusalem; Janeal Booren and the Mid-Columbia Community Action and Food Bank; for Community Meals, Bread and Blessings, and Habitat for Humanity. Are there others? (*Congregation adds petitions.*)

We give you thanks for our many blessings, and we seek your strength to serve you faithfully.  
*That your kingdom may be made known throughout the earth.*

We pray today for Brandon and his family, Cody, Jane, Jerry and Anne, Sandy, Megan, Anne, Caroline, Dale, Dean and Mary Elinor.

Please add your own intercessions at this time. (*Congregation adds petitions*)

Have compassion on those 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 all your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.  
*(Congregation adds petitions) The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## **The Confession of Sin**      *Stand or Kneel*

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

**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**

*People*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*Announcements, Thanksgivings and Celebrations of Life  
The Thank Offerings this quarter are being given for school supplies and education needs.*

## **The Holy Communion**

### **The Offertory**

Choir

### **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.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer A**

*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. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, 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.**

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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 of 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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, forever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**Therefore let us keep the feast. 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.

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:  
The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]*

**The Communion Hymns**

*I come with joy*

Hymnal 304

I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free,  
in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,  
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.  
That love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.

And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence, always near,  
is in such friendship better known: we see, and praise him here.

Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways,  
and as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

*Jesus loves the little children*

LEVAS 222

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world;  
Red, yellow, brown and black, and white, they are precious in His sight,  
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

**The Postcommunion Prayer** *Please stand.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**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 Celebrant may bless the people*

**The Closing Hymn**

*This little light of mine*

LEVAS 221

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine , *(Repeat three times)*  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'ry where I go, I'm gonna let it shine, *(Repeat three times)*  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine, *(Repeat three times)*  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

*Deacon* [Dismissal][Alleluia! Alleluia!]  
*People* **Thanks be to God. [Alleluia! Alleluia!]**

*Servers This Morning: Celebrant: The Rev. Janet Fullmer; Deacon: The Rev. Stephen Schafroth; Acolyte:; Worship Leader: Ron Fullmer; Eucharist Minister: Monte Dickinson; Lector: Harriet Langfeldt; Prayers of the People: Marilyn Roth, Diane Adams; Pianist: Rule Beasley; Altar Guild: Monte Dickinson and Kim McCullough; Altar Bread: Verna Browne; Coffee Hour: Don and Monte Dickinson; Greeters: Lewis and Barbee Hodgkins.*

*The flowers at the altar are given by Carolyn Thomas  
and family in Loving Memory of Jed.*

**PLEASE PRAY:**

For friends and family, especially Audean, Piper, Dolli, Bill Whitacre, Jill McHale, Leslie, Joan, Lynn, Mary Emerson, Jan Jarding, Cathy Dahl, Dorothy Wilson, Megan McCarren, Bryon Nixon, Bill Thomas, Blake Gallagher, Jenni Lyon, Philip Klindt, Bonnie Myatt.

For those serving in the Armed Forces of our Country and for all those who serve and protect us, especially Joshua Smith, Kyle McCullough, Turf McCullough, Amy and Gavin McIlvenna, Jason Armstrong, Kevin Extine, Tim Gallagher, Kevin Gross, Gayle Johnson, Travis Kennedy, Robert Knick, Ben Schloss, Michael Stebbins and Max Turner.

For Falco and all animals: May God Bless and keep them and give them safe and loving homes.

**CALENDAR:**

Monday	AA "open" meeting	7:00 pm	Taylor Hall
Tuesday	Worship Committee	12 noon	Library
	Bible Study	1:00 pm	Library
Weds	Potluck Dinner	5:30	Taylor Hall
	AA meeting	7:00 pm	Common Room
Thursday	Healing Service	12:00 Noon	
Saturday	AA meeting Potluck	6:00pm – 9:00pm	TH

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**  
*Amos 5:6-7,10-15; Psalm90:12-17;  
Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**TODAY:** ST. FRANCIS' BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS between services!  
UTO - United Thank Offering- IN-GATHERING for presentation at Convention.  
COMMUNITY MEALS this afternoon! Check with Denise or Rule Beasley for details.

**WEDNESDAY:** First Wednesday Potluck! Come for great food and company, joyful music, and Compline.  
We'll gather, set up, and snack on appetizers beginning at 5:30, meal at 6:00 pm.

**DIOCESAN CONVENTION** will be held October 9-11<sup>th</sup> in Klamath Falls, Oregon. Please keep the work of the convention and all of those attending in your prayers.

**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 to or about our parish family are on the kiosk in the narthex and on the web site. Please check them out!

A CARE BOX for Gavin and Amy is now on the shelf in the narthex, just outside the window to the office. Please add to the box books, cards and notes, CD's or anything that makes you think of them and might help them feel connected with us. With that box of treats will go all our love and prayers, so please add yours!

**THE MESSENGER:** Please submit information for November's newsletter by OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>.

**THANKS** - To Don and Monte Dickinson for coffee hour today!

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