

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost  
Rite II  
10:30 am

# The Word of God

Prelude-Praeludium in G-J.S. Bach

Mary Ann Winden- Organ

Opening Hymn- *O worship the King, all glorious above*

Hymnal 388

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!  
2 O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!  
3 The earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,  
4 Thy boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite?  
5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

1 O grate - ful - ly sing his power and his love!  
2 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.  
3 Al - might - y, thy power hath found - ed of old,  
4 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;  
5 in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;

1 Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,  
2 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,  
3 hath stab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,  
4 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,  
5 thy mer - cies, how ten - der! how firm to the end!

1 pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.  
2 and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
3 and round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
4 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.  
5 Our Ma - ker, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!

*Officiant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.***

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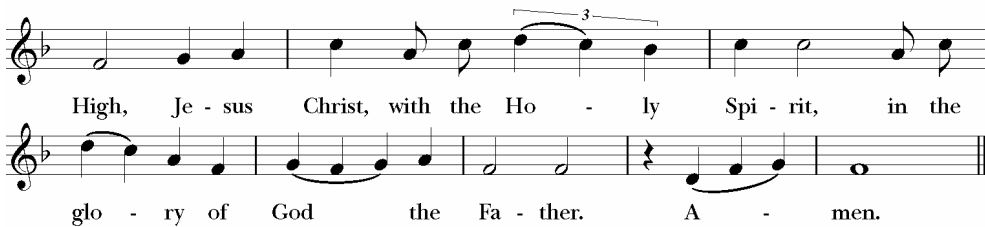
*Officiant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

***Amen.***

**Gloria**

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



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## The Collect of the Day

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*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Officiant* Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

*All are seated.*

## The Lessons

### The First Lesson

*Reader* A Reading from the book of Genesis (29:15-28)

Laban said to Jacob, “Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?” Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah’s eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, “I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.” Laban said, “It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.” So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. Then Jacob said to Laban, “Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed.” So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, “What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?” Laban said, “This is not done in our country—giving the younger

before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years.” Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.

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

### **The Psalm Appointed**

*Reader* The portion of the Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 128 on page 783 in the BCP. Let us read in unison.

***Happy are they all who fear the Lord, \****  
***and who follow in his ways!***

***You shall eat the fruit of your labor; \****  
***happiness and prosperity shall be yours.***

***Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house, \****  
***your children like olive shoots round about your table.***

***The man who fears the Lord\****  
***shall thus indeed be blessed.***

***The Lord bless you from Zion, \****  
***and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.***

***May you live to see your children’s children; \****  
***may peace be upon Israel.***

### **The Epistle**

*Reader* A reading from Paul’s letter to the Romans (8:26-39)

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring

any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

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

**Sequence Hymn – *If thou but trust in God to guide thee***

Hymnal 635

***We will sing verse 1 before the Gospel and verse 2 after the Gospel is read.***

*Unison or harmony*

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through  
 2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part

all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,  
 faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;

and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -  
 thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.  
sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

*All stand*

## The Gospel

*Officiant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (13:31-33,44-52).

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

Another parable Jesus put before the crowds: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.” He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened. The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

*Officiant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Sermon

Fr. Robert Certain

## Nicene Creed

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*All stand.*

***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 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.*

*After the Creed: You may sit, kneel, or remain standing for the Prayers.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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*Officiant*           The Lord be with you.

*People*             ***And also with you.***

*Officiant*           Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

***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 Prayers of the People: Form II**

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*Reader* I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and David, our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

For Robert, our Interim Rector, for our vestry, and for the members of St. James', Hebbbronville and St. Helena's Boerne.

*Silence*

*Reader* I ask your prayers for peace, for goodwill among nations and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

*Reader* I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

For Art Winden, Kenneth, Amy & Gary Bethel, Morgan, Audrey Herron, Susan Neuman, Ardith Perry, Penny Sengler, Theresa Zapata, Jean Norris, and for all who suffer from the effects of the novel coronavirus.

*Silence*

*Reader* I ask your prayers for our friends and family who are homebound or residing in care and recovery facilities, especially Ann Benham, Betty Rainey, Judy McClendon, Patsy Creager, Ruth Burges, Karen Cook, and Rose Foegelle.

*Silence*

*Reader* I ask your prayers for those who devote their time to help with the GRMF PAP (Prescription Assistance Program).

*Silence*

*Reader* I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

*Reader* I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

*Reader* Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*Officiant* Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin**

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*Officiant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Officiant and People*

***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.***

*Officiant* 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.**

### **Peace**

*Officiant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

### **Birthdays, Anniversaries, Travel Prayers & a Prayer for Doctors and Nurses**

#### **Birthdays**

*Officiant and People*

***O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants Tom Lehman, Chris Moore, Renee Cutcher, Roger Cutcher, Carolyn Lehman, Lauren Sharp, Renn Sharp, and Kayle Casey as they begin another year. Grant that they may***

*grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### Anniversaries

*Officiant and People*

*O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon your servants, Terry & Theresa May, George & Elizabeth Walker, Mark & Wendi Gustafson, and Fred & Cinde Jimenez, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

### Travel

*Officiant and People*

*O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel, surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### Prayer for Doctors and Nurses

*Officiant and People*

*Sanctify, O Lord, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that by their ministries the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Offertory Anthem- *Give me Jesus*

Soloist- Alisha Bade

### The General Thanksgiving

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*Officiant and People*

*Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,*

*not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.*

## Prayer

*Officiant and People*

*In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. And particularly for the blessings given me. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.*

## Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace; Be of good courage; Hold fast that which is good; Render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak, help the afflicted, honor all persons. Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn- *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Hymnal 594

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. Below the treble staff, there are four lines of lyrics, each numbered 1 through 4. The lyrics are: 1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power; 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways! 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol; 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;

crown thine an-cient Church's sto-ry; bring her bud to glo-rious flower.  
 From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:  
 shame our wan-ton, self-ish glad-ness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
 let the gift of thy sal-va-tion be our glo-ry ev-er-more.

Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age, for the fac-ing of this  
 grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age, for the liv-ing of these  
 Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age, lest we miss thy king-dom's  
 Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age, serv-ing thee whom we a-

hour, for the fac-ing of this hour.  
 days, for the liv-ing of these days.  
 goal, lest we miss thy king-dom's goal.  
 dore, serv-ing thee whom we a-dore.

**Dismissal**

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*Officiant* Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People* ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.***

**Postlude-***God of Grace and God of Glory –arr. Paul Manz*

Mary Ann Winden- Organ

*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Joyce Lee in loving memory of her grandson, Daryl Richey.*

### **Ministers in the Lord's Service**

Officiant- Fr. Robert Certain

Lay Reader- Robin Walker

Altar Guild- Sandy Merrell

Musicians- Alisha Bade- Cantor/Soloist

Mary Ann Winden- Organ

Cameramen/Technicians- Aaryn Perry, Gil Merkle, Jack Merrell

Sound- Carolyn Baker

