

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 23, 2009

PRELUDE

Shall We Gather at the River

Ferguson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Trusting in the word of life given in baptism,
we are gathered in the name of the Father,
and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

Loving God,

we fear, we doubt, we do not trust you;

we do not love our neighbors as ourselves;

we sin against you in thought, word, and deed.

We pray for your mercy, forgiveness, and grace.

**We hope in the gift of your Spirit and we rejoice in the resurrection promise
of Jesus Christ, our living Savior.**

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy,
loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.
By grace you have been saved.
In the name of + Jesus Christ, crucified and risen,
your sins are forgiven.
Almighty God strengthen you with power
through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG	<i>Blessed Assurance</i>	#638
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GREETING

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HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices
and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in
you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

All Are Welcome

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Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

FIRST LESSON

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Pew Bible p. 237-238 (OT)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL

Ephesians 6:10-20

Pew Bible p. 208 (NT)

SERMON

"Abide"

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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Lord in your mercy...
Hear our prayer.

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THE PEACE

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OFFERING

O Jesus, I Have Promised (8:00 a.m.)
I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness (9:00 & 10:30 a.m.)

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*OFFERTORY

*Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.*

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

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*SANCTUS

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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LORD'S PRAYER

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LAMB OF GOD

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COMMUNION SON *Great is Thy Faithfulness (9:00 & 10:30 a.m.)*

Larson

Let Us Break Bread Together
Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

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BLESSING

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*SONG AFTER COMMUNION

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*Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.
Send us with your promises and lead your people
forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving.
Alleluia. Alleluia.*

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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DISMISSAL

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POSTLUDE

Prelude in Classic Style

Young

WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Bethany welcomes all baptized Christians who have celebrated their first communion to join in receiving the body and blood of Christ in Holy Communion.

An usher will direct you when to come forward for the distribution.

You will receive the wafer in your hand which you may then dip in the wine.

A communion station with alcohol free wine and gluten free wafers is available at every communion service at the center aisle.

We are glad that you joined us for worship today!

Please let us know how we may serve you by filling out a Welcome Card found in the pew rack. If you would like information about the ministries of Bethany,

visit the Hospitality Center located in the narthex

or our website at www.bethany-denver.org.

We invite you to stay after worship for refreshments served in the Fellowship Hall.

WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHER	Pastor Ron Glusenkamp
PRESIDER	Pastor Ruth Ann Loughry
ORGANIST	Kathy Eggleston
LECTORS	Catherine Gloeckner (8:00 a.m.) Judith Voigt (9:00 a.m.) Kay Luttinen (10:30 a.m.)
MUSICIANS	Brenda Greenwald (8:00 a.m.) Barb & John Wollan (9:00 & 10:30 a.m.)
CANTORS	Brenda Greenwald (8:00 a.m.) John Wollan (9:00 & 10:30 a.m.)
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Peggy Furgason Jeannette Arps-Manos, Marie Friedemann (8:00 a.m.) Dick Rankin Laura Weber-Meyers, Bill Moeller (9:00 a.m.) Jean Lindsey (10:30 a.m.)
ACOLYTES	Claire Strauss & Catherine Puga (8:00 a.m.) Kyle Webb & Scott Schubert (9:00 a.m.) Ashley Schroeder & Olivia Coleman (10:30 a.m.)
USHERS	Gary Miller, Steve Esterline, Scott Scholbe David Scott, Bud Setzer, Richard Will (8:00 a.m.) Neal Schuessler, Gary Steckler, Lee Engelbart, David Admire Bill Hermann, Kevin McAuliffe, Jeanette Thorsen, Bruce Thorsen (9:00 a.m.) Bill King, Al Baumbach, Darrell Rasmussen Dan Spancers, Lowell Palmquist, Fred Kluppel (10:30 a.m.)
SOUND TECHNICIAN	Ben Halvorson
AUGUST ALTAR GUILD	Laurie Marvin, Kendra Brayton, Wanda Englebart, Mona Palmquist
AUGUST SACRISTANS	John Brayton, Beth Nixon Katie Dragseth, Dave Malucky
NURSERY ATTENDANTS	Kathy Shearer, Lori Braden, Hilda Mohseni

- ❖ The page number **p.** refers to the Order of Service in the front of the ELW.
- ❖ The **#** symbol refers to hymns and service music found after the Psalms.
- ❖ The ***** indicates liturgy that is omitted at the 8:00 a.m. service.
- ❖ Large print version available at the Hospitality Center.

Bethany's Mission, Vision & Goals Worship Meaningfully; Grow Spiritually; Serve Purposefully; Share Fellowship; Witness Intentionally

Please pick up a Bethany calendar of events at the Hospitality Center for an overview of activities in 2009!