

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 11, 2022

Welcome to St. Ambrose!

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



St. Ambrose Episcopal Church
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PRELUDE: Andante in A minor

B. Bartok

Processional Hymn 379 | God is Love, let heaven adore him (Abbot's Leigh)

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind-ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun -
ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

OPENING SENTENCES

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

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom now and forever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever *Amen.*

FIRST LESSON EXODUS 32:7-14 (*Seated*)

⁷The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" ⁹The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

¹¹But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth?' Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" ¹⁴And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 51:1-11 (*Seated*)



- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving- **kindness**; *
in your great compassion blot out my **offenses**.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my **wickedness**, *
and cleanse me from my **sin**.
- 3 For I know my **transgressions**, *
and my sin is ever **before** me.
- 4 Against you only have I **sinned** *
and done what is evil in your **sight**.
- 5 And so you are justified when you **speak** *
and upright in your **judgment**.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my **birth**, *
a sinner from my mother's **womb**.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep **within** me, *
and will make me understand wisdom **secretly**.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be **pure**; *
wash me, and I shall be clean **indeed**.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and **gladness**, *
that the body you have broken may **rejoice**.
- 10 Hide your face from my **sins**, *
and blot out all my **iniquities**.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O **God**, *
and renew a right spirit **within** me.

Second Lesson 1 Timothy 1:12-17 (*Seated*)

¹²I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God**

Please Stand

Hymn Celtic Alleluia – *two times through*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel Luke 15:1-10

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

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

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³So he told them this parable: ⁴“Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸“Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Hymn Celtic Alleluia – *one time through*

Sermon The Rev. Fr. Jason Lucas-Green

THE NICENE CREED

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. 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.

Form III (*Standing*)

The Leader and People pray responsively

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;
*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.

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 your saints who have entered into
joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Silence. For what else shall we pray? [*Everyone is
invited to say their prayer intentions out loud or in
their hearts*]

Celebrant: Grant these our prayers, O Father, for
Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.
Amen.

THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION (*standing*)

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: 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 Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you

THE OFFERTORY: O God, Beyond All Praising

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

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:

Celebrant and People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant: 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.

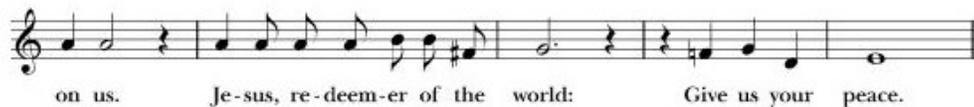
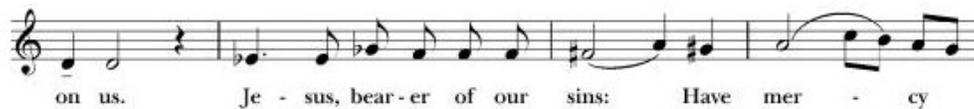
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your 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**

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 FRACTION



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

(Those watching at home, may, if they wish, say this prayer during the time of Communion.)

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of our Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshipping there, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessing 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: (Here, those watching at home may add particular blessing for which they wish to give thanks). 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 our glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen

THE INVITATION

Celebrant: Brothers and Sisters draw near with faith come to this holy table where ALL are WELCOME, ALL are FED, and ALL are LOVED. These are the gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION HYMN *My God, thy table now is spread (Rockingham) #321 [seated]*

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
 2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished
 3 Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - less
 4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the

love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
 well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -
 num - bers let them come and gath - er from their
 world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall

thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.
 va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.
 Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.
 all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Almighty and ever living 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 ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: Rise up ye saints of God *Hymnal #551 [Stand]*

1 Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give
2 Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long: Lord,
3 Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and

heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.
bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.
quick-ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The first system contains the first three lines of the hymn lyrics. The second system contains the final three lines of the lyrics. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and one another.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: Mendocino Blessing

Traditional

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The Mission of St. Ambrose Church of Foster City

Is to proclaim the Good News of God in Jesus Christ as we care for each other and our larger community. We worship in the Episcopal and Anglican tradition, extending an open and inclusive invitation to all people, welcoming children into our church family and serving those in need.

Worship Leaders:

The Rev. Fr. Jason Lucas-Green, Rector
Frank Saunders, Organist
Maureen Fromme, Choir Director

Worship Leader Rota:

Stephen Yuen, Intercessor
Maureen Fromme/Stephen Yuen, Lectors
Stephen Yuen, Usher
Alison LeBlanc, Livestream Technician

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST AMBROSE HAS NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES:

We will leave the old and new ones running tandem for a couple of months but please update your email contacts to the following:

Office: office@stambrosefostercity.org

Fr. Jason: frjason@stambrosefostercity.org

Treasurer: treasurer@stambrosefostercity.org

Vestry: vestry2022@stambrosefostercity.org (this will be sent to the vestry as a group)

Thank you for your understanding and assistance.

SAVE THE DATE Celebration of New Ministry

Bishop Marc will be at St. Ambrose on October 22, 2022 at 11:00 am. This is a festival Eucharist where Fr. Jason will be installed as Rector. All are asked to attend. We will need many hands to help make the service possible. Please contact Fr. Jason at frjason@stambrosefostercity.org if you would like to help.

Blessing of the Backpacks Next Sunday

We will be hosting a blessing of the backpacks next Sunday at the 10:00 am service. Bring your backpack as we bless them and ask for God's blessing on the upcoming school year.

Funeral Services for Kevin Adolph

Will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2022 at St. Ambrose. There will be a viewing from 9:00-10:00 am and the service will begin at 10:15 am. There will be a reception following the service. If you are planning on attending or would like to help with the reception please contact Fr. Jason at frjason@stambrosefostercity.org

Sea Breeze School Invites you to a BBQ

Sea Breeze School would like to invite the St. Ambrose community to a BBQ on October 2 following the service. It will be held at the Boothbay Park. The fee is \$5 a person or \$20 per family. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to be present and build relationships with our Sea Breeze Families.

Coffee Hour

Join us for Coffee Hour after mass at 11:00 am in the courtyard. Coffee hour will be hosted by the Vestry on the first Sunday of the month. Please volunteer for the other weeks by using the link below or by the signup sheet in the Narthex by the Reflections & Gratitude Board:

[Sign Up](#)

[Genius https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4FA5A82CA0F94-coffee1](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4FA5A82CA0F94-coffee1)

Sunday School Outdoor Classes

Pre-K - K5 Sunday school is back to in-person! Outdoor classes (courtyard) will be held on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. Spread the word! We can't wait to see BIG smiles in the courtyard, share the good news of Jesus, and have fun altogether! Thank you!--Teacher Raphaele and Teacher Fe

Smart Boards for the classrooms

Your help is needed to collect funds for our School! The school needs to purchase smart boards for the classrooms. We have had a match if we can fund raise \$2,000 we will have a match from the school. This will

mean we can purchase 2 new smart boards. We will need 4 total but we want to start with 2 this year. We have already collected \$300 and we are on our way to getting to our goal. If you can help please contact Fr. Jason. Thank you!

Prayer Support Group

Every 1st and 3rd Sunday after the service at 11:30am, we will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall to have a prayer meeting. Please join us any time as you are able. For questions, please contact Daniel Tate at 650-799-7084, or dtate@ses.cdsp.edu

Choir Rehearsals

Choir is back in session. Interested people are invited to join us on Thursday evenings at 7:30 PM as we prepare music for upcoming services. Please contact Maureen Fromme: mhfromme@yahoo OR. 415.990.6758. We gladly welcome new members!

Worship Leaders Needed

Please sign up as a Lector for our 8:30 am Mass by emailing office@stambrosefostercity.org or the Church signup sheet.

We also need Worship Leader volunteers for our 10:00 am Mass. There are openings for Intercessors, Lectors, Greeters, Ushers and Acolytes, and Livestream Technicians. Contact us at office@stambrosefostercity.org or use the following link to signup: [Signup Genius](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4FA5A82CA0F94-worship) or Click on the following link

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Rides for Gene Hetzer

Gene Hetzer a longtime church member and Karl his guide dog need rides on an alternating basis from church members. Please contact Jim Neubert to schedule a day for driving.

Contemplative Meditation

Join us for a thirty-minute weekly 'Zoom-Zen' contemplative meditation on Wednesdays at 10am, Please send an email to Hamilton Fong (hfongster@gmail.com) or to Nilda Chong (nchongmd@gmail.com) if you wish to be included in the Zoom invitation.

Prayer list: We pray especially for Yvonne Sidell, Jerelyn Weber, Charlene Adolph, Miles Martin, Barbara Milligan, Ed Avakoff, Max Gumbert, Isabella, Jerry Boykin, Carol Newman, Clara Padilla, Bettie Davis, Arjun Katyan, Janet Mc Annally, Marilyn Canon, Alison LeBlanc, Ronnie Rosen, Leo Gauthier, John David Tate, Alice Deckel, Randy Fromme, Mike Frisch, and the pupils and staff of Sea Breeze School.

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for Reverends:

Andrew Lobban, Dr. Arthur Holder, Nathan Speck-Ewer, Meg Brogan

[Please contact the parish office to add any names of the sick and suffering to be prayed for in our monthly cycle of prayer.]

SEA BREEZE SCHOOL

ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC IS BACK!

PLEASE JOIN US!

THIS IS A WONDERFUL TIME TO MEET THE TEACHERS/ STAFF, FATHER JASON, CHURCH MEMBERS AND GET ACQUAINTED WITH SEA BREEZE FAMILIES!

WHEN: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

WHAT TO BRING: SAND TOYS, FRISBEES, SPORTS EQUIPMENT, PICNIC BLANKETS, FOLDING CHAIRS, AND SUNSCREEN.

A SPECIAL DISH, SALAD, CUT UP FRUIT OR DESSERT TO SHARE. PLEASE BRING YOUR ITEM IN A DISPOSABLE CONTAINER WITH DISPOSABLE SERVING UTENSILS. ALSO, PLEASE INDICATE IF YOUR DISH CONTAINS NUTS DUE TO ALLERGIES.



WHERE: BOOTHBAY PARK (THE PARK HAS BASKETBALL, TENNIS, SOCCER, VOLLEYBALL, PLAY STRUCTURES, GRASS, GAZEBO, BARBECUES, TABLES, AND RESTROOMS.)



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SEA BREEZE ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC. YES !! WE WILL BE THERE !!

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS PORTION, STAPLE CASH \$5 PER PERSON, AND RETURN IT TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 23RD.

(THIS INCLUDES HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, DRINKS, CONDIMENTS, ALL PAPER PRODUCTS. VEGETARIAN OPTIONS AVAILABLE.)

NAME OF YOUR FAMILY: _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN: _____ ADULTS _____

VEGETARIAN PLEASE: _____