



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 02, 2022

Welcome to St. Ambrose!

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

St. Ambrose Episcopal Church

The Rev. Fr. Jason Bryan Lucas-Green, Rector

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PRELUDE: Melodie

R. Schumann

Processional Hymn 525 | The Church's One Foundation

1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,
4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war
5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:
2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - c - sics dis - tressed;
4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;
5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,
5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.
5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

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

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.*

FIRST LESSON Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4(Seated)

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?

Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous--therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it.

For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.

Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 37:1-10 (Seated)



- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do **wrong**.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the **grass**, *
and like the green grass fade **away**.
- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do **good**; *
dwell in the land and feed on its **riches**.
- 4 Take delight in the **Lord**, *
and he shall give you your heart's **desire**.
- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in **him**, *
and he will bring it to **pass**.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the **light** *
and your just dealing as the **noonday**.
- 7 Be still before the **Lord** *
and wait patiently for **him**.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who **prospers**, *
the one who succeeds in evil **schemes**.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage **alone**; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to **evil**.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut **off**, *
but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the **land**.

Second Lesson 2 Timothy 1:1-14(Seated)

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,
To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I

have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God**

Please Stand

Hymn Celtic Alleluia – two times through



Holy Gospel Luke 17:5-10

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

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

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

Celebrant: 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.

The Prayers of the People

For the artistry of spinning spiders, the industry of ants, for all alert animals of field and forest, for the squirrels that gather, chipmunks that chatter, for mice that burrow, and pigs that root,
WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O LORD.

For the splendor of the great deep and sparkling streams, for the water bugs and dolphins, for all fish and all sea life, and for enormous whales. **WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O LORD.**

For all things that fly, for pelicans and parakeets, barn owls and peacocks, for eagles that soar, and for birds that nest in eaves and at-tics. **WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O LORD.**

For beasts that lumber, for elephants and hippos, grizzly bears and tortoises, porcupines and three-toed sloths, and for all creatures that remind us not to hurry. **WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O LORD.**

For the graceful beasts, the great cats, and for gazelles, for giraffes, and for flamingos, foxes, and fawns.
WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O LORD.

For the animals that work for human good, for horses, oxen, mules, and beasts of burden, for dogs, who lead those who cannot see or hear, track the lost and rescue the stranded.
WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O LORD.

For the animals that share our homes, for faithful dogs and purring cats, for all animals that teach us how to love without judgment, for rabbits, hamsters, birds, assorted reptiles, and freshwater fish.
WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O LORD.

For the loving pets we no longer see nor hold, who served us in faithfulness and trust, and now live on in our hearts and minds. **WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O LORD.**

Celebrant: Give us the grace, O Lord, to learn from the animal kingdom that you created all things: And bring us to your peaceable kingdom where lion and lamb lie down together. 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**

THE SANCTUS

Hymnal #S125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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:

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.

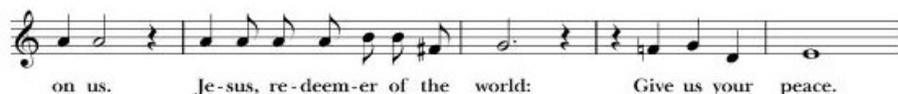
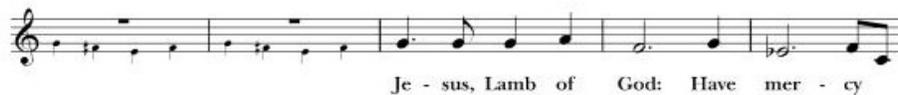
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your 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 *O Jesus, I Have Promised* #665 [seated]



1 O Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end:
2 O let me hear thee speak-ing in ac - cents clear and still,
3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low thee,



be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
a - bove the storms of pas-sion, the mur-murs of self - will;
that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;



I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,
O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.
O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard-ian of my soul.
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: In Christ There Is No East or West #529 [Stand]

Unison or harmony

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in
2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -
3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in

him no South or North, but one great fel - low -
e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther
him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
as his child is sure - ly kin to me.
one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.

THE DISMISSAL

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: Go Now In Peace

N. Sleeth

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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

Daniel Tate, Acolyte

Worship Leader Rota:

David McIntyre, Intercessor

David McIntyre, Lector

Larry Buyers/, Ushers

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 Animals is back after 3 years: October 2nd From 2 to 4 p.m. Father Jason will set up shop at the Foster City Dog Park to bless members of the Foster City Community (and St. Ambrose parishioners who couldn't make it to church earlier) and their pets. If you have questions, please contact Steve Yuen (315-9662, stevebyuen@aol.com).

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>

Smart Boards for the classrooms

To date we have received \$2150. The balance will be used for discretionary fund purposes. Thank you very much for your donation for the 2 new smart boards!

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

Worship Leaders Needed

Please sign up as a Lector for our 8:30 am and 10:00 am Mass by emailing office@stambrosefoftercity.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@stambrosefoftercity.org or use the following link to signup: [Signup Genius](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4FA5A82CA0F94-worship) or Click on the following link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4FA5A82CA0F94-worship>

Volunteers most needed for October 22

Bishop Marc will be with us and we need volunteers for: Lectors, Eucharistic ministers, Acolytes and Reception following. If you are able to help, please contact office@stambrosefoftercity.org or use the following link to sign up: [Signup Genius](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4FA5A82CA0F94-worship)

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.

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, Elliott Dun, 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:

Dr. Jay Johnson, Robert Partanen, Nancy Slavin, Richard Fabian, Charlotte Wilson

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