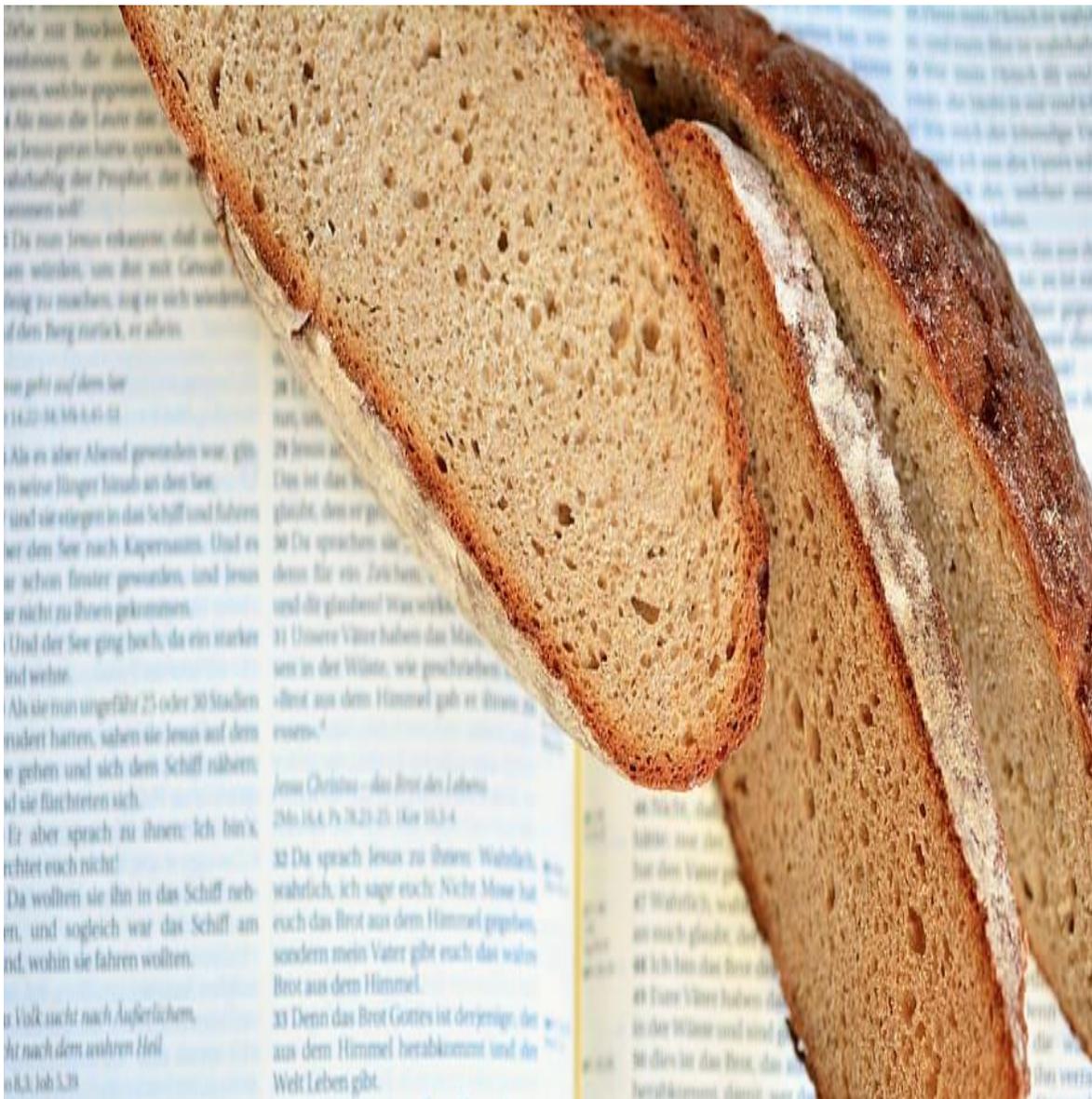




St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



Aug 22, 2021 10:00 AM

12th Sunday After Trinity
Morning Prayer
August 22, 2021

Prelude

Mary Lee Voort

Opening Hymn: #300 "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation (v 1, 3, 5)
Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the church in one,
holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving kindness, hear thy servants as they pray;
and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always.

Laud and honour to the Father, laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit, ever three, and ever one,
one in might and one in glory while unending ages run.

Welcome and Announcements
Children's Focus

Br. Jason Carroll
Wendy Doherty and Alethea Monte

The Penitential Rite

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Psalm 51.18

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him when he draws near; let the wicked forsake their ways, and the evil ones their thoughts; and let them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he will richly pardon.

Isaiah 55.6, 7

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1.8, 9

The officiant says to the people,

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All kneel and silence is kept. The officiant and people say together,

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 neighbours 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 upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

(all stand)

Officiant Lord, open our lips,

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

All **Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Invitatory

The Lord is our refuge and strength: **O come, let us worship.**

Venite

Psalm 95.1–7

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great king above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his for he made it, *

and his hands have moulded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

and kneel before the Lord our maker.

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture and the

sheep of his hand. *

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The Proclamation of the Word

At the conclusion of each reading, the reader shall say:

The Word of the Lord.

And the people shall respond:

Thanks be to God.

First Reading: 1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43

Alan Besplug

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in front of the whole assembly of Israel, spread out his hands toward heaven ²³ and said:

“Lord, the God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth below—you who keep your covenant of love with your servants who continue wholeheartedly in your way. ²⁴ You have kept your promise to your servant David my father; with your mouth you have promised and with your hand you have fulfilled it—as it is today.

²⁵ “Now Lord, the God of Israel, keep for your servant David my father the promises you made to him when you said, ‘You shall never fail to have a successor to sit before me on the throne of Israel, if only your descendants are careful in all they do to walk before me faithfully as you have done.’ ²⁶ And now, God of Israel, let your word that you promised your servant David my father come true.

²⁷ “But will God really dwell on earth? The heavens, even the highest heaven, cannot contain you. How much less this temple I have built! ²⁸ Yet give attention to your servant’s prayer and his plea for mercy, Lord my God. Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in your presence this day. ²⁹ May your eyes be open toward this temple night and day, this place of which you said, ‘My Name shall be there,’ so that you will hear the prayer your servant prays toward this place. ³⁰ Hear the supplication of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place. Hear from heaven, your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive.

⁴¹ “As for the foreigner who does not belong to your people Israel but has come from a distant land because of your name— ⁴² for they will hear of your great name and your mighty hand and your outstretched arm—when they come and pray toward this temple, ⁴³ then hear from heaven, your dwelling place. Do whatever the foreigner asks of you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your own people Israel, and may know that this house I have built bears your Name.

Psalm 34:15-22

Keith Griffioen



The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous;
God's ears are open to their cry.
The Lord opposes those who do evil,
to blot out the remembrance of them from the earth. **R.**

The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them,
and rescues them from all their troubles.
The Lord is near to those who are broken-hearted.
the Lord saves those who are crushed in spirit. **R.**

The troubles of the righteous are many,
but the Lord sets them free from them all.
The Lord guards every bone in the body of the righteous,
and so not one of them is broken. **R.**

Evil brings death to the wicked,
and those who hate the righteous are brought to ruin.
You, O Lord, ransom the lives of your servants,
and none who take refuge in you shall perish. **R**

Second Reading Ephesians 6:10-20

Terry Legg

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸ And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. ¹⁹ Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

Gradual Hymn: "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God.

Come. (Repeat)

One day ev'ry tongue will confess You are God.

One day ev'ry knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains

For those who gladly choose You now!

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God.

Come.

Willingly we choose to surrender our lives

Willingly our knees will bow.

With all our heart, soul, mind, and strength

We gladly choose You now!

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God.

Come. Come. Come.

Gospel Reading John 6:56-69

Joanne Collier

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹ He said this while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum.

⁶⁰ On hearing it, many of his disciples said, “This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?”

⁶¹ Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶² Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! ⁶³ The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. ⁶⁴ Yet there are some of you who do not believe.” For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. ⁶⁵ He went on to say, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them.”

⁶⁶ From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

⁶⁷ “You do not want to leave too, do you?” Jesus asked the Twelve.

⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God.”

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

Anthem

“Well Done” by Ingram/Fuqua/Havens

Solo by Keith Griffioen

The Apostles’ Creed (*all stand*)

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 the People

(all kneeling)

Sylvia Besplug

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Anglican Church of South America.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: In our diocese we pray for St. Barnabas, Calgary, and their clergy; The Rev. Kersi Bird, The Rev. Deacon Marcus Herrel, The Rev. Jerrod McCormack, and The Rev. Eric Haffenden.

In our companion diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for. St. Phillip, Mesopotamia with St. Matthias and St. Joseph, on St. Vincent and The Rev. Canon Ashton Francis.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for those who assist with worship ministries: Lay Readers, Lay Assistants, Liturgical Assistants, Lectors, Sidespeople, Servers and the Sanctuary Guild.

The Collect

(All kneel)

Celebrant Let us pray.

All ***Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen***

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn: # 526 "God is Our Fortress and Our Rock"

**God is our fortress and our rock, our mighty help in danger;
he shields us from the battle's shock and thwarts the devil's anger:
for still the prince of night prolongs his evil fight;
he uses every skill to work his wicked will-
no earthly force is like him.**

**Our hope is fixed on Christ alone, the Man of God's own choosing;
without him nothing can be won and fighting must be losing:
so let the powers accursed come on and do their worst;
the Song of God shall ride to battle at our side,
and he shall have the victory.**

**The Word of God will not be slow while demon hordes surround us,
though evil strike its cruellest blow and death and hell confound us:
for even if distress should take all we possess,
and those who mean us ill should ravage, wreck, or kill,
God's kingdom is immortal!**

**Dismissal The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. Amen**

Postlude

Mary Lee Voort

Flowers at the altar are in loving memory of:
Oscar and Alice Willets and Don and Gladys Clay.

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