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"All are Welcome at God's Table"

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

7:45 a.m. THE HOLY EUCHARIST, Rite II, Spoken  
8:30 a.m. COFFEE HOUR (FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH)  
9:00 a.m. FAMILY EUCHARIST, with Music

### THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 27, 2008 - Proper 12

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## THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II AT 7:45 A.M.

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### THE HOLY COMMUNION

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THE FAMILY EUCHARIST AT 9:00 A.M.

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THE WORD OF GOD

**Prelude:** *Prelude and Fugue in C Minor,*  
from *The Well-Tempered Clavier*—J.S.Bach

**Opening Hymn:** 400, *All creatures of our God and King*  
*Lasst uns erfreuen*

**The Liturgy of the Word**

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

**People:** *Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.*

**The Gloria**—*Iona Community* (sung three times)

Glo-ry to God: Praise to the Son: Love to the Spir-it: Three and yet One.  
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**Collect of the Day** *bulletin, p. 4*

**Reading:** Genesis 29:15-28 *bulletin, p. 5*

**Alleluia Verse**—*Iona Community*

Al - le - lu - ial Al - le - lu - ial Al - le - lu - ial Al - le - lu - ial  
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**Holy Gospel:** Matthew 13:31-33,44-52 *bulletin, p. 6*

**Sermon For All Ages** *The Rev. James H. Gambrill*

**I Believe** *WLP 769*

1. I be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all  
2. I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and  
3. I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the

things that be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens,  
cru - ci - fied; tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied—  
saints with - in one church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly,

Keep - er of the sky and sea. I be - lieve in  
 True Life there had tru - ly died. I be - lieve that  
 where for - give - ness frees from sin; in the bod - y's

God's Son, Je - sus, now for us both Lord and Christ of the Spir - it  
 on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed  
 res - ur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's

and of Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.  
 to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.  
 ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

**Prayers of the People** Reader: God of love, in your mercy,  
*People: Hear our prayer.*

**The Confession** *Spoken by all*  
*God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.*

**The Absolution** BCP p. 360  
**The Peace**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Offertory Hymn:** *Let us break bread together Let Us Break Bread*  
**Offertory Verses:** *Glory and gratitude and praise—Iona Community*

Glo - ry and gra - ti - tude and praise now let earth to  
 hea - ven raise. Glo - ry and gra - ti - tude and praise:  
 these we of - fer to God.

*St. George's is a welcoming, inclusive, vibrant community where every person of every age is engaged in mission and ministry.*

Great Thanksgiving, *Eucharistic Prayer A*  
Sanctus & Benedictus es—*Appalachian folk tune*

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. \* Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**Lord's Prayer & The Breaking of the Bread**

*All are welcome at God's table.*

**Holy Communion**

**Post-Communion Prayer**

*Spoken by all*

*God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

**Benediction**

**Closing Hymn:** 390, *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* *Lobe den Herren*

**Announcements & Dismissal**

**Postlude:** *Little Prelude in B Flat Major—J.S.Bach*

*(Please welcome guest organist Grover Marshall)*

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LECTIONS: YEAR A, PROPER 12

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**Collect of the Day:**

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.*

**First Reading:** 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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God*

**Psalm:** 105:1-11, 45b, *Confitemini Domino*

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; \*  
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, \*  
and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; \*  
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- 4 Search for the LORD and his strength; \*  
continually seek his face.
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, \*  
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
- 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, \*  
O children of Jacob his chosen.
- 7 He is the LORD our God; \*  
his judgments prevail in all the world.
- 8 He has always been mindful of his covenant, \*  
the promise he made for a thousand generations:
- 9 The covenant he made with Abraham, \*  
the oath that he swore to Isaac,
- 10 Which he established as a statute for Jacob, \*  
an everlasting covenant for Israel,
- 11 Saying, “To you will I give the land of Canaan \*  
to be your allotted inheritance.”
- 45 Hallelujah!

**Second Reading:** 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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God*

**Holy Gospel:** Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

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

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "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."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

*People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*