

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 2020

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Do not kill! That seems easy, until
We realize we kill every day
With our words, our attitudes, and our actions,
When we gossip, and exclude, and ignore.
We kill the spirits, and the hearts of those around us.
Teach us to not kill.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

OPENING SONG

Lord, I Lift Your Name On High

#857

Lord I lift Your name on high. Lord I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life, I'm so glad You came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;
Lord I lift Your name on high.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: **Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**
Amen.

FIRST READING:

Job 24:12-14

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

*GOSPEL:

Matthew 5:21-26

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 5th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The reading concludes: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON

SERMON HYMN

Amazing Grace

#779 (vs. 1,2 &4)

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

APOSTLES' CREED

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 THE CHURCH

Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**

In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray...

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, forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

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. God, the creator, † Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love. **Amen**

SENDING HYMN

Go, Make Disciples

#540

**Go, make disciples, baptizing them, teaching them.
Go, make disciples, for I am with you till the end of time.
Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light for the world.
Go, be a city on a hill, so all can see that you're serving me.
Go, make disciples.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Stay safe and be safe. Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE