

# *Eighth Sunday After Pentecost*

*July 18, 2021*

## **HOLY SPIRIT**

*"Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ  
for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."*

*- Acts 2:38*

### *Church of the Redeemer A Spiritual Harbor of Hospitality*

Holy Eucharist, Sunday, 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Morning Prayer, Daily 7:00 a.m.

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The Rev. Chris Walk, Rector

## We welcome you to the Church of the Redeemer

We are delighted to have you visit. We hope you will come again and again to worship Our Lord Jesus at Redeemer. We are a constituent parish of the Anglican Church in North America and the Diocese of the Mid-Atlantic.

The **Mission** of the Church of the Redeemer is to serve our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to maintain the truths, values and beliefs of the historic and apostolic Christian faith, and to affirm the authority of the Bible as the rule for our lives. As a loving, caring congregation, we reach out to each other, to our community and to the world, boldly proclaiming the good news that salvation comes through Christ alone.

Our **Vision** and hope for our worship and ministry is that it will be thoroughly Biblical and Holy Spirit-filled. This means we strive for it to be **EPIC**:

- **Evangelical** – promoting salvation through Jesus Christ by the proclamation of the gospel of the Kingdom of God
- **Pentecostal** – experiencing the Holy Spirit and ministering to one another by the gifts he gives.
- **Inspirational** – blessed and inspired by God and His Word to engage in the Mission of God in the church and world.
- **Catholic** – participating in the “one holy catholic (universal) and apostolic Church” through sacramental liturgy.

Our **EPIC** elements are expressed in the areas of **worship, mission, discipleship and fellowship**.

### *Clergy, Staff , and Vestry*

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# Holy Eucharist Service

**Processional Hymn** Hymn 401, “The God of Abraham Praise” vs. 1, 3, 5, & 7

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

*Celebrant* Worthy is the Lord our God,  
*People* **To receive glory and honor and power.**

## 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 our Lord. Amen.**

## *The Summary of the Law*

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us;  
*People* **Christ, have mercy upon us,**  
*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*A Time of silent prayer for the congregation*

*Celebrant* Amen.

*In order to accentuate the solemn nature of seasons of fasting and the celebratory character of seasons of feasting, we will reserve the Gloria Excelsis to Christmas, Easter, and other festive occasions.*

*The following is said once at the 8:00 am service and sung twice at the 10:30 am service*

**Trisagion** S-102

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

## Collect of the Day

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

*People*      The Lord be with you  
*Celebrant*    **And with your spirit.**  
Let us pray.

O God, you declared 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 First Lesson    *Isaiah 57:14-21*

The first lesson is a reading from the book of Isaiah

<sup>14</sup> And it shall be said, “Build up, build up, prepare the way, remove every obstruction from my people’s way.” <sup>15</sup> For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: “I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite. <sup>16</sup> For I will not contend forever, nor will I always be angry; for the spirit would grow faint before me, and the breath of life that I made. <sup>17</sup> Because of the iniquity of his unjust gain I was angry, I struck him; I hid my face and was angry, but he went on backsliding in the way of his own heart. <sup>18</sup> I have seen his ways, but I will heal him; I will lead him and restore comfort to him and his mourners, <sup>19</sup> creating the fruit of the lips. Peace, peace, to the far and to the near,” says the Lord, “and I will heal him. <sup>20</sup> But the wicked are like the tossing sea; for it cannot be quiet, and its waters toss up mire and dirt. <sup>21</sup> There is no peace,” says my God, “for the wicked.”

*Lay Reader*    The Word of the Lord  
*People*        **Thanks Be to God**

## The Psalms    *Psalms 22:23-31*

Let us read responsively by the whole verse from Psalm 22

*Lay Reader*      You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

*People*        **For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him.**

*Lay Reader*      From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear him.

*People*        **The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord! May your hearts live forever!**

*Lay Reader* All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,  
and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

*People* **For kingship belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations.**

*Lay Reader* All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship; before him shall bow all who go  
down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive.

*People* **Posterity shall serve him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;**

*Lay Reader* they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn,  
that he has done it.

*The following is Said at the 8 a.m. service and Sung at the 10:30 a.m. service*

† **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. [Amen]**

## **The Second Lesson** *Acts 2:22-41*

The second lesson is a reading from the book of Acts

<sup>22</sup> “Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— <sup>23</sup> this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. <sup>24</sup> God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. <sup>25</sup> For David says concerning him, “ ‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; <sup>26</sup> therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. <sup>27</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. <sup>28</sup> You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.

<sup>29</sup> “Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup> Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, <sup>31</sup> he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. <sup>32</sup> This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. <sup>33</sup> Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. <sup>34</sup> For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, “ ‘The Lord said to my Lord, “ ‘Sit at my right hand, <sup>35</sup> until I make your enemies your footstool.” ’ <sup>36</sup> Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

<sup>37</sup> Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” <sup>38</sup> And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” <sup>40</sup> And

with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” <sup>41</sup> So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

*Lay Reader*      The Word of the Lord  
*People*          **Thanks Be to God**

**Sequence Hymn**    Hymn 432, “O Praise Ye the Lord”

**The Gospel**      *Mark 6:30-44*

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark  
*People*      **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

<sup>30</sup> The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup> And he said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup> And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. <sup>33</sup> Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. <sup>34</sup> When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. <sup>35</sup> And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. <sup>36</sup> Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.” <sup>37</sup> But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.” And they said to him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?” <sup>38</sup> And he said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they had found out, they said, “Five, and two fish.” <sup>39</sup> Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. <sup>40</sup> So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. <sup>41</sup> And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. <sup>42</sup> And they all ate and were satisfied. <sup>43</sup> And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. <sup>44</sup> And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

The Gospel of the Lord  
*People*      **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

**The Sermon**    The Rev. Jessica Lee

## The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, visible and invisible.

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,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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 and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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

*Reader* Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, “hear our prayer.”

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

For *Foley Beach*, our Archbishop, and *John*, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, we especially lift up to you *N*.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant concludes with this or some other appropriate Collect.*

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Confession and Absolution of Sin**

*Celebrant* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Minister and People*

**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**

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*Clergy* Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:9*

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And with your spirit.**

*The congregation may greet one another with the peace of the Lord at this time*

## **The Offertory**

Today's loose offering is designated by the Vestry for Local Mission Support

## **The Anthem:**

## At Holy Communion

*All baptized Christians who have sincerely repented of their sins and are in love and peace with their neighbors are encouraged to receive Holy Communion. Others are encouraged to come forward for a blessing that can be requested by folding your arms over your chest as you approach the Celebrant.*

*Bread and wine may be received by eating the bread and drinking from an individual cup. If you do not want to receive the wine, you may take bread only by returning to your seat after receiving bread.*

*The sanctus (altar) bells are rung three times during the Communion prayers to make a joyful noise to the Lord in thanksgiving for the miraculous gift of the bread and the wine becoming for his faithful people the body and blood of Christ.*

### The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant*     The Lord be with you.

*People*       **And with your spirit.**

*Celebrant*     Lift up your hearts.

*People*       **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*     Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*       **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

### The Sanctus       S 129

*All say together at 8 a.m. and sing together at 10:30 a.m.*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest**

### The Prayer of Consecration

*The People stand or kneel as they are able. The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he

became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.



After supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."



Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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 forever. **Amen.**



## The Lord's Prayer

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

*Celebrant and People together pray 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,  
forever and ever. *Amen***

## The Fraction

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed,  
once for all upon the cross.

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

## The Agnus Dei

*Said at the 8 a.m. service; Sung at the 10:30 a.m. service (3 times)*

**Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace. [Give us your peace.]**

## The Ministration of Communion

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

***Communion Song*** Hymn 328, "Draw Neigh"

## The Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People together*

**Heavenly Father,**

**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

*The Priest gives a blessing*

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Procession into the World      Hymn 423, “Immortal, Invisible”

*The Deacon* Alleluia! Alleluia! Go forth and bear witness to Jesus Christ, who is gloriously risen from the dead.

*People* **Thanks be to God, He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## Today's Lay Assistants

8:00 Service Lay Assistant: Suzie Wolff  
10:30 Service Lay Assistant: Marie Justiss  
Altar Guild: Stephanie Miller  
CEO: Carolyn Smith

## Altar Flowers

The Altar flowers are given by M.C. & Wanda Halstead in celebration of their 56th wedding anniversary and to thank God for blessing their marriage.

### Attendance

8:00 Service: 18  
10:30 Service: 34

### Tithes & Offerings

Weekly Offering Given .....	\$ 2,370.00
Budgeted Need Each Week .....	\$ 3,879.00
Mortgage Balance .....	\$ 16,787.01
2021 Pledge Drive .....	\$145,050.00 of \$ 201,729.00

## Weekly Events

- **Adult Classes/Discussions:** Sundays, 9:15-10:15 am in the Parish Hall – “Vices and Virtues”
- **Prayer Group:** Mondays, 9:30-11:30 am at Bert & Jeanie Kuhl’s home (1506 East Penny Drive, Elizabeth City) - All are welcome
- **Men’s Prayer Group:** Tuesdays, 7:00 am at Grouper’s Restaurant (400 S. Water Street, Elizabeth City)
- **Choir Practice:** Wednesdays, 7:00 pm in the Nave – Date to begin has not been set
- **Men’s Discipleship Group:** Thursdays, 7:15 am in the Parish Hall

## Twice A Month Events

- **Home Group:** Alternate Mondays at 6:00 pm at Bert & Jeanie Kuhl’s home (1506 East Penny Drive, Elizabeth City) – Date to begin has not been set
- **Lectio Divina (reading and reflection on Scripture):** Alternate Wednesdays (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>), 5:45 pm in the Nave - will resume again in September
- **Choir Practice:** Alternate Wednesdays (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>), at 7:00 pm in the Nave
- **Home Group:** Alternate Thursdays (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>) at 7:00 pm – Date to begin has not been set

## Monthly Events

- **SOULS Feeding:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month, 5:00 pm (corner of N. Road and Elizabeth Streets, Elizabeth City)
- **Evening Prayer:** Led by Vestry members: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the Nave
- **Finance Committee:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall
- **Chapel for the Benjamin House:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month, 7:00 pm 102 Meads Pool Road, EC
- **Learning the Practices of Ministry:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall—Postponed
- **Vestry Meeting:** 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month, 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

None this week

Sermons can be found at <https://www.podomatic.com/podcasts/redeemer77621>

