



The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 18

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The Annunciation of Our Lady Episcopal Church
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Welcome to Annunciation

Welcome Rev Jane this morning!

Thank you to Rev Jane for being our guest celebrant this morning.

Before Worship

We ask that conversations and greetings before the worship service happen in the Narthex. We try to keep the Nave as a space for quiet prayer and contemplation as we enter into worship.

What's Happening

The bulletin is your guide to everything happening in our parish. It contains everything you need to fully participate in the service. Some of the music we will sing can be found here in the bulletin or the Red or Blue hymnal in your pew.

Receiving Communion

- *You're Invited: This is Jesus' table; he made no restrictions, and neither do we.*
- *Host: Our communion is by bread or wafer. The priest or deacon will place the sacrament in your hand.*
- *Wine: You are invited to receive the wine by the common cup, either by sipping (please guide the chalice with your hand) or by intinction (dipping the wafer in the wine).*
- *If you would like to receive in the single-serving cups, a Eucharistic Minister will have a tray of cups by the right ambulatory.*
- *Gluten-free wafers are available. Ask the priest for one when you come up.*
- *Healing Prayer: If you would like someone to pray for you for healing of mind, body, or spirit, you're invited to go to the side chapel at any time during Communion.*

Hospitality

After the service, please enjoy good food, coffee, and conversation in the Parish Hall.

Let's Get Connected!

We want to get to know you better and tell you more about our community. Please fill in a Newcomer Card, available at the Communications Center near the main entrance.

Children

We welcome children to participate fully, and we do not expect them to be perfectly quiet. If your

child needs a break, feel free to bring them to the Narthex (lobby) or make use of our Nursery: take a left as you exit the worship space, down the hall.

Restrooms

The main restrooms are off the Parish Hall, to your right as you exit the worship space. A gender-neutral restroom is located to your left as you exit the worship space, down the hall.

Wheelchair Accommodations

There are wheelchair-friendly spaces in the pews, on the outside aisles. Accessible restroom stalls are in the main restrooms off the Parish Hall, to your right as you exit the worship space.

Hearing Assistance

Hearing devices are located on the table near the main entrance. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Online Worship

We record and broadcast our services via Zoom. You can find the link to the Zoom on our electronic Parish News.

Additionally, if you are not comfortable or do not consent to your image being shown on our broadcast, we encourage you to be aware of the camera and ask you to consider taking a seat behind the camera on the left side of the Nave.

Streaming to Facebook Live

If you aren't able to join us for our in person service, the video will be available at:

<https://www.facebook.com/annunciatingurnee/live/>

You do not have to have a Facebook account to view the video.

In-person, indoor worship

- If you are not feeling well, please stay home.
- Masks are optional inside. Please gauge your own continuum of safety.

Please ask an usher or worship leader for assistance with anything you need.

Altar flowers given by Andrea Lindblad in thanksgiving for Taylor's birthday. Altar candle given by Pastor Jenni in thanksgiving for the mountains.

The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn

#423, *The Hymnal 1982*
Immortal, invisible God only wise

Opening Proclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

Collect for Purity

Celebrant and People: *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.

Song of Praise

#114, *Voices Found*
Grateful praise

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Grate-ful praise and hymns of a - do - ra - tion, blend our voic - es in a hap - py throng. Boun - teous days, a - live with ce - le - bra - tion, lift our hearts to you in thanks - giv - ing song."

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: ***Amen.***

Please be seated.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Reader: A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.
Say to those who are of a fearful heart,
'Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.
He will come with vengeance,

with terrible recompense.
He will come and save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;

the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

The Psalm

Psalm 146

Reader: Let us read the Psalm by whole verse.

Hallelujah!
Praise the Lord, O my soul! *
I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

***Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.***

When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.

*Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the Lord their God;*

Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;

*Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.*

The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

*The Lord loves the righteous;
the Lord cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.*

The Lord shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!

The Second Lesson

James 2:1-10, [11-13], 14-17

Reader: A reading from the letter of James.

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.[For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not

murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.]

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia

Please sing twice



The Gospel

Mark 7:24-37

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

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

Deacon: Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure,

saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev Anne Smith

The 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
and the Son.
With the Father and the Son who 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.

Prayers of the People, Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People That we all may be one.

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you. Let us pray for Fort Dauphin in the Diocese of Toliara, the Diocese of Southeastern Mexico, the Diocese of Renk, and The Church of the Province of Myanmar.
People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; including Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean, our Presiding Bishop-elect, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Paula our Bishop, Pastor Jenni, Deacon Anne, Rev Jane, and Deacon Linda.
People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People ***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People ***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest;
People ***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People ***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Leader: This morning we pray for: ***Bishop Samy and Venerable Canon Donne; the peace of Jerusalem, for the victims of gun violence; the people served by Sunrise Assisted Living, PADS and the Community Meal program, for those in war-torn places, especially Congo, Sudan, Haiti, Ukraine, Gaza and Israel, for our Scouts and leaders, Mark, Jill, Barb, Fran, Janis, The Waynick family, Dan, Ed, Merritt and Mills, Pam, John, Dan, Walter, Frank, Linda, Stacy, Jerry; A.S., Sahondra, Ronia, Alita, Clarita, Mendrika.***

Leader: For all those who serve in the Armed Forces, including ***Liam Mellen, Christopher Pavy, Nick Unda, Christopher Froelich, Karl Mohrmann, Trish Hull, Clay Anderson, and Quinton Hocking.***

Leader: O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray, on your servants ***Asher McClain (9/9), Walter Smith (9/10), Susan O'Morchoe (9/13), and Taylor Lindblad (9/14)*** as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in you all the days of their lives.

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: ***Amen.***

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

After you have greeted others, please have a seat.

Offertory Hymn

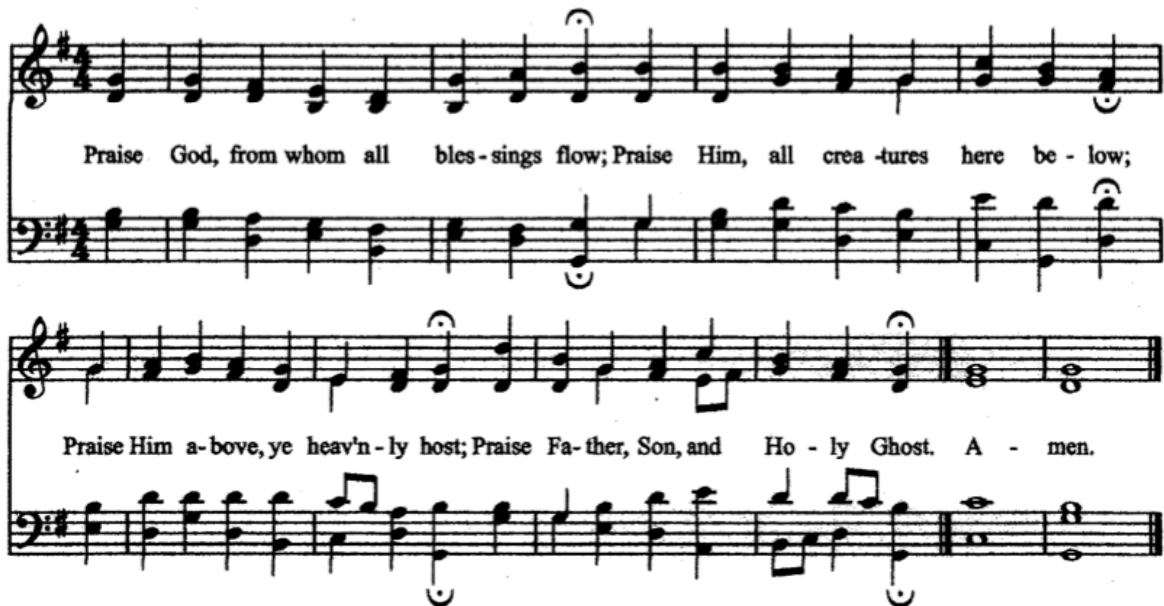
#773, *Wonder, Love, and Praise*
Heal me hands of Jesus



1. Heal me, hands of Je-sus, and search out all my pain: re-
 2. Cleanse me, blood of Je-sus, take bit-ter-ness a-way; let
 3. Know me, mind of Je-sus, and show me all my sin; dis-
 4. Fill me, joy of Je-sus: anx-i-e-ty shall cease and

store my hope, re-move my fear and bring me peace a-gain.
 me for-give as one for-given and bring me peace to-day.
 pel the mem-o-ries of guilt, and bring me peace with-in.
 heaven's se-ren-i-ty be mine, for Je-sus brings me peace!

Presentation Hymn



Praise God, from whom all bles-sings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be-low;
 Praise Him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: Hear us, O heavenly Father, and with your Word and Holy Spirit bless and sanctify this bread and wine that it, also, may be the Sacrament of the precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who took bread and the cup and said, "This is my Body and Blood."

People: Amen.

Deacon: You have been entrusted with the sacraments of the church. Go and share these signs of our community with those who are unable to be a part of our gathering, and assure them that they are in our prayers. May you bring peace to these places that welcome you.

The Holy Communion

Please stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship 1, Prayer 1

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

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 God thanks and praise.***

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

all sing:

#S125, *The Hymnal 1982*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People: Amen!

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now as our savior 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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

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

Invitation to Communion

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

Communion Hymn

#94, *Voices Found*
In boldness, look to God

1 In bold-ness, look to God for help, like wo - men folk who
 2 In bold-ness, lean on God for strength, and heal - ing from dis -
 3 In bold-ness, learn of God the truth of Ma - ry's bet - ter
 4 In bold-ness, love, nor count the cost. Con - front the world's harsh

dared: to ask that Je - sus heal a child, that
 ease, of mind and bod - y, heart and will, whose
 part: by fear and cen - sure un - de - terred, de -
 stare: like one who washed the feet of Christ, and

crumbs of grace be shared, that out - cast ones be
 bond - age Je - sus frees. Reach out and touch the
 ter - mined in her heart to kneel at Je - sus'
 wiped them with her hair, poured per - fume to a -

wel - comed to the feast God has pre - pared.
 hem of Christ, and gath - er spi - rit's ease.
 feet and learn the wis - dom he im - parts.
 noint her Lord, and left love's fra - grance there.

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Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.
You're invited to stand or kneel, as able.

People: *Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Blessing

Celebrant: Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you now and forever.

People: *Amen.*

Welcome & Announcements

Closing Hymn

#74, *LEVAS II*
Jesu, Jesu

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Postlude

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Annunciation is a place..

To be included

To be honest

To be challenged

To be empowered

To find hope

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