

Readings and Music for

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 31, 2025

Processional

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

H686

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things:
Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion;
nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good
works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Proverbs 25:6-7

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great;
for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

Psalm

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1 Hallelujah!

Happy are they who fear the Lord *
and have great delight in his commandments!

**2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
and their righteousness will last for ever.

**4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.

- 6 For they will never be shaken; ***
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right;
they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, ***
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry;**
they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
the desires of the wicked will perish.

Second Reading

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews:

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not be afraid.
What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Gospel

Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Sermon

Rev. Hunter Farrow

Offertory

“Lord, For Ever at Thy Side”

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Communion

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

F(C) Dm(Am) Bb(F) F(C) Am(Em) Dm(Am) Bb(F) C(G) F(C)

1 All who hun-ger gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er stran-gers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to-geth-er, Je-sus Christ is liv-ing bread.

F(C) Dm(Am) Bb(F) F(C) Am(Em) Dm(Am) Bb(F) C(G) F(C)

Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy we keep the feast.
 Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here, in peace, we have been fed.

Am(Em) Dm(Am) Am(Em) Gm(Dm) F(C) F(C) Dm(Am) Bb(F) C(G)

You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mun-ion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.

F(C) Dm(Am) Bb(F) F(C) Am(Em) Dm(Am) Bb(F) C(G) F(C)

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
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Recessional

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE REMAIN ON OUR PERMANENT PRAYER LIST AS THEIR NEED FOR PRAYER IS LONG-TERM RATHER THAN ACUTE: Don, Roberta, Marilyn, Jim, Mary, Emily, Meghan, Jan, Chelsea, Bob, Mark, Michael, John, Bob, Billy, Laura, Cindy, Pam, Katy, Lou, Nick, Brendan, Bob, Debra, Janet, Jacelyn, Sharon, Gabe, Chuck, Nancy, Mike, Tom, Betty, Carol, David, James, Kathy, Bill, John, Rosemary, Roberta, Earl, Patricia.

This week at Transfiguration:

<i>Today</i>	<i>Holy Eucharist</i>	<i>Church/FB</i>	<i>10:00am</i>
	<i>Coffee Hour</i>	<i>Leach Hall</i>	<i>11:15am</i>
	<i>Hosted by Marie & Nils Sundin</i>		

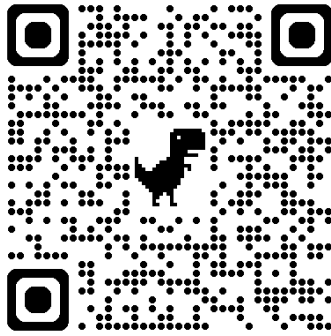
ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Transfiguration Family Reunion Celebration** - After service on Sunday, September 14th, the Children's and Youth Ministry Committee (CYMC) is hosting our start of school kick-off celebration. They're serving up fried chicken for lunch, you all are invited to bring a side or desert to share if you are able. Please sign up on the sheet on the foyer bulletin board.

This year, we thought it would be fun to play a Guess-Who picture game during the luncheon. Do you have a favorite photo of yourself from early childhood (i.e. approximately age two to seven)? We'd love for you to submit it for this game. We will be accepting photos for the next several weeks. You can send your photos to Debbie Trapp at trappsrus@sbcglobal.net. Alternatively, you can hand-deliver a physical copy to Debbie or put it in a sealed envelope with Debbie's name and leave it downstairs on Linda's desk. Please mark the back of the photo with your name or otherwise indicate who you are.

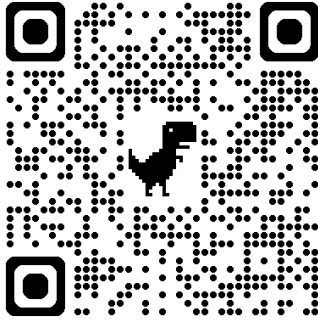
- **Bobby Jo Valentine Concert and Potluck** - We are excited to host a concert with singer-songwriter Bobby Jo Valentine on September 24th. The church will host a potluck prior to the concert at 6 PM, and the concert itself will start at 7 PM. Please, invite friends and neighbors, and help us get the word out about this concert. We particularly hope that this concert can be a space for LGBTQ+ folks in our community to see a church that welcomes and fully affirms them as they are and recognizes that they are a beautiful part of the rich tapestry of God's creation. Tickets are \$12* with 25% of all ticket sales going to benefit the Trevor Project. You can get your tickets online using the QR code below, or you can purchase tickets during coffee hour.

** This is a suggested donation. Please do not let cost prevent you from attending this event.*



- **Priest Away** – Hunter will be out of the office this week.
- **Church School Starting Next Month** - It's back-to-school time, and Church School classes will be starting again soon for kids, age Kindergarten and up. Our first day of class this year will be on Sunday, September 21st, one week after our Family Reunion Celebration. As a reminder, church school meets right after the service on most Sundays. We're very excited for the new year!
- **Beds Plus** - Our Beds Plus Outreach program volunteers continue to pack lunch bags for the homeless shelters every other weekend. If you would like to make a contribution toward purchasing food items for this ministry plus make your check out to the church and write "Beds Plus" in the memo line. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Zack Ottinger at zottinger@gmail.com. Please remember the other ministries we support; including the area Food Pantries and Shower the Shelter.
- **Daycare Update** – If you would like to get a better picture of the current status of the daycare, there are two documents sitting on the table in the narthex for you to take a copy. One is a timeline of the remediation, reopening, and rebuilding of the damaged classroom, and the other is a basic report on the current finances and staffing of the daycare.

Online Giving:



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