

Worship at
NATIVITY
CATHEDRAL

8th Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 13



31 July 2022
8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

*Our Mission:
to know Christ,
to make Christ known,
to serve all people according to Christ's example.*

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.



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We welcome all of you this day to Nativity Cathedral. If you would like more information about our life and our mission, we encourage you to fill out a visitor card found in your pew or please check us out and request more information.

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May God's Spirit rest upon you this day and every day!

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Parking in the lower lot is reserved for handicap only – Access the elevator at the double doors there. Parking is available in the upper lot, in the New Street Garage at 324 S. New Street, at the Fourth and Wyandotte lot **until 1:00 PM**, and on street along Fourth Street and in the 400 block of Wyandotte Street.

Gathering

Prelude (10 a.m.) Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring Johann S. Bach

Hymn in Procession (10 a.m.) Hymnal 537

Opening Acclamation

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

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Gloria (10 a.m.) Hymnal S280

Kyrie (spoken at 8 a.m.)

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayer in a Time of Transition

Celebrant: God of love, we thank you for your presence with us on our transition journey. We pray for our parish family, that we may be full of love in our self-reflection, full of imagination in our aspirations, full of patience in our discernment, and full of faith at each step that we take. In a time of uncertainty, we rest in your eternal changelessness and boundless love. In Jesus Name we pray. **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me —and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm: Psalm 49:1-11 (spoken at 8 a.m.)

S415

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



- 1 Hear this, all you peoples;
 hearken, all you who dwell in the world, *
 you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.
- 2 My mouth shall speak of wisdom, *
 and my heart shall meditate on understanding.
- 3 I will incline my ear to a proverb *
 and set forth my riddle upon the harp.

- 4 Why should I be afraid in evil days, *
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,
- 5 The wickedness of those who put their trust in their goods, *
and boast of their great riches?
- 6 We can never ransom ourselves, *
or deliver to God the price of our life;
- 7 For the ransom of our life is so great, *
that we should never have enough to pay it,
- 8 In order to live for ever and ever, *
and never see the grave.
- 9 For we see that the wise die also;
like the dull and stupid they perish *
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.
- 10 Their graves shall be their homes for ever,
their dwelling places from generation to generation, *
though they call the lands after their own names.
- 11 Even though honored, they cannot live for ever; *
they are like the beasts that perish.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-11 (omitted at 8 a.m.)

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Dean Harte

The Nicene 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 he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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 Intercession

Deacon: Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

A brief silence.

O God, you are wholeness. Where there is division in your church, bring reconciliation and healing. Guide the work of theologians, Sunday school teachers, seminary professors, and all who provide instruction for the building up of your church. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

O God, you are the source of all life. Where creation cries out in distress, bring relief and renewal. Bless farmers, ranchers, distributors, and all who provide our food. Nourish the land and all its habitants. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

O God, you are wisdom. Where nations and communities yearn for peace, bring justice. Strengthen those who toil for the welfare of others, especially military personnel, police, first responders, and activists, and for the healing of the nations. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

O God, you are life. Where your people are overwhelmed with the busy-ness of life, bring encouragement. Accompany all who experience emotional, mental, or physical distress (*especially*). Renew us at your table of mercy. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

O God, you are our treasure. Where scarcity and anxiety pervade your church, bring abundance and vitality. Guide the work of church councils and committees and give them clarity for the work of ministry in this place (*specific ministries may be named*). Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

O God, you are resurrection. We give you thanks for all your saints (*especially*). Inspire us by their example of faithful living to set our minds on things above and to be rich in love toward you. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Confession

Celebrant: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
**we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.
Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.
When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.
Set us again on the path of life.
Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors.
Amen.**

Celebrant: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offertory Solo (10 a.m.) 'Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth'
(No. 39 from Mendelssohn's "Elijah")

Felix Mendelssohn

Joe Mozingo, soloist

Doxology (10 am.)

Hymnal 380, verse 3

Liturgy of The Feast

The Great Thanksgiving (Enriching Our Worship 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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

Sanctus (spoken at 8 a.m.)

Hymnal S125

Celebrant and People

**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 people stand or kneel

The Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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 daughters and sons,
that with [_____ 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. **Amen**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **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

Fraction Anthem (spoken at 8 a.m.)

Hymnal S155

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Hymn at Communion (10 a.m.)

Hymnal 309

Prayer after Communion

All **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.**

Sending

Blessing

The God of peace,
Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always.
Amen.

Sending Hymn (10 a.m.)

Hymnal 594

Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Carillon

Philip Moore

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

Celebrant & Preacher (8 & 10 a.m.)	The Very Rev. Barry J. Harte
Deacon (8 a.m.)	The Rev. Charles Barebo
Deacon (10 a.m.)	The Rev. Rodney Conn
Verger (10 a.m.)	Joe Mozingo
Lector (10 a.m.)	Tom Edwards
Ushers (10 a.m.)	Stephen and Kathy Kucey
Organist	James E. Derr
Soloist	Joe Mozingo
Videographer	Paul Fox
Altar Guild	Catherine Alling (Chair), Martha Golfphin Mary Ann Lynn, Terri Miller
Flower Arranging	Debbie Fields

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Those who are in need of healing – Lillian Lewis, Anne, Robert, Susan Mast, Carol Czechowski, Bebe and Jack Lockwood, Dolores Cauller, Sue Koontz, Peggy Hilgert, Marion Chapman, Martha Golfphin, Emilia Isaacs, Dick Barsness, Puddy Cluett, Blanche Case, Tracy Kehoe, Carol Trexler, Jon Knauss, Joanne Groenewold

Those serving in the military and places of danger – Stephen Hunter, Robert Wilkins, Kenny Lange, Nicole Albertson, Carlos Xavier Orellana, J.D., Oriana Marcial

Parish Cycle of Prayer – Chris, Heather, Amanda and Abby Eastman; Tim, Carole, Emily and Nicole Edinger; James, Amy and Josephine Edwards; Tom, Marion and Christopher Edwards

The Church and the World – Cathedral of St. John The Baptist, Portland, Oregon; St. Thomas, Morgantown; Koiba Parish, Kajo Keji; The Church of the Province of West Africa; the outreach ministries of Nativity, especially The Welcome Place

For our Partner Cathedral – Emmanuel Cathedral in Romogi, for Pianaleh their Dean, and for the people of that Cathedral church, that we may grow stronger in our partnership and in our faith

The Altar Flowers this morning were designed by The Twisted Tulip. The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dorothy J. Burke, Peter R. Hilgert, and John William Hilgert.

NEWS and INFORMATION for the Week of July 31, 2022

Covid Level YELLOW — Masks optional but strongly encouraged for those with elevated risk: those over 65, those with weakened immune systems, or those at high risk for severe illness. We have been following the CDC's guidance for masking recommendations based on Covid-19 Community Levels. The Community Level in Lehigh and Northampton counties is now MEDIUM, or level YELLOW. At this level, people may mask at any time but masks are optional when within the Cathedral buildings. Please see our website nativitycathedral.org for complete guideline.

Our Healing Ministry resumes at the Cathedral As available, there will be a healing team at the font and/or in the chapel available to offer prayers for healing, laying on of hands as requested and/or anointing with oil. If there is a team present, please do avail yourself of this opportunity during the distribution of communion. Shalom.

From the Search Committee

1. **The Search is On!** The Search Committee has officially launched the search for our new Dean & Rector. Please visit our website, under the Dean Search tab, to view our parish profile and application process. <http://www.nativitycathedral.org/dean-rector-search.html>
2. **Would you like to nominate a candidate for the Dean & Rector position?** Please email search@nativitycathedral.org the name of the potential candidate, their contact information, and a statement (300 words max) of why your nominee would be a good match for us.

Food Drive for Fountain Hill Elementary Our friends at FHES are looking to stock up their current food pantry, as it is currently low on stock. Bring rice, canned meat (tuna, chicken, etc.), easy lunches (peanut butter, jelly, ramen, mac and cheese) and canned fruits and veggies and place in the boxes at the back of the Nave of the Cathedral. Or visit this Amazon Wishlist and order away! [tinyurl.com/2p8z7nht](https://www.amazon.com/wishlist/ref=wl_crdb_wl_sharesheet)

Creation Care TIP of the week Use washable cloth napkins instead of paper.

June YTD Financial Report

2022 YTD Pledge Income is approximately \$32,000 under budget. If you are behind on your pledge payments, please attempt to catch up. Thank you.

2022 YTD Total Revenue is approximately \$53,000 under budget.

2022 YTD Expense is approximately \$26,000 over budget - (*Correcting previous typo, not \$26,000 under budget*).

Many thanks to all for your continuing support during this transition year!

**** Additions or changes to the Bulletin should be submitted to the Office by 5 PM on Tuesday. ****

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The week beginning July 31, 2022

Sunday: 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist – Sayre Chapel
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist – Cathedral & Virtual
12:30 PM Spanish Holy Eucharist – Cathedral & Virtual

Monday: 6:00 PM Evening Prayer in Spanish – Virtual
7:00 PM Prayer Bead Meditation – Zoom

Tuesday: 3:00 PM Private Tutoring – Dining Room
6:00 PM Evening Prayer in Spanish – Virtual

Wednesday: 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist & Healing – Good Shepherd Chapel
10:00 AM Thrift Shop open until 2:00 PM
6:00 PM Evening Prayer in Spanish – Virtual
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

Thursday: 10:00 AM Thrift Shop open until 2:00 PM
6:00 PM Evening Prayer in Spanish – Virtual

Friday: 10:00 AM Thrift Shop open until 2:00 PM
6:00 PM Evening Prayer in Spanish – Virtual

Saturday: 9:00 AM Altar Guild Prep – Cathedral
10:00 AM Thrift Shop open until 1:00 PM

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