

12th Sunday After Pentecost

Prelude Canzona

Gathering— Let mutual love continue, as it gathers your family and friends close. Let mutual love increase, as it extends to the stranger, the lost, and the lonely.~

A Time of Prayer— Faithful God, in Jesus you show us a way of humility and hospitality with power to transform our world. Give us the grace to love those things that please you and the courage to live them to your glory...=

The Lord's Prayer (unison)—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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

We Hear God's Word

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 (NRSV)

Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember 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. ⁴Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep 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.' ⁶So we can say with confidence,

'The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?'

7 Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not

neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Meditation

Companions for the Journey

Hymn

Called as Partners in Christ's Service, #581

We Respond to God's Word with Our Giving

Invitation— The scriptures remind us: Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.=

August Benevolence—Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM)

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Doxology

We Give Thanks— Faithful God, you bless us in Jesus, who is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. And so we praise you with lips that confess his name and ask your blessing on these gifts for the life of the world. Amen.=

Hymn

We Are the Church, #550

Benediction— Go to share love with the world. Go to invite the least and the lost. Go to welcome the stranger. Go to share love with the world.~

Postlude Postludium

Worship Notes: = Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year C, Volume 2: Trinity Sunday through Reign of Christ (p. 148-152). Presbyterian Publishing Corporation. Kindle Edition. ~ Scifres, Mary; Beu, B. J.. The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022 (p. 201). Abingdon Press. Kindle Edition.