



Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 30, 2020

Opening Music: Cara Halpin

Gathering of the Community & Welcome: Molly Finlay

Collect of the Day:

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Together, let us pray.

**Author and Giver of all good things,
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us in all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.**

Reading: Ben Kizemchuk

Reader: A Reading from the Gospel According to John

“I’ve loved you the way my Father has loved me. Make yourselves at home in my love. If you keep my commands, you’ll remain intimately at home in my love. That’s what I’ve done—kept my Father’s commands and made myself at home in his love. I’ve told you these things for a purpose: that my joy might be your joy, and your joy wholly mature. This is my command: Love one another the way I loved you. This is the very best way to love. Put your life on the line for your friends. You are my friends when you do the things I command you. I’m no longer calling you servants because servants don’t understand what their master is thinking and planning. No, I’ve named you friends because I’ve let you in on everything I’ve heard from the Father. You didn’t choose me, remember; I chose you, and put you in the world to bear fruit, fruit that won’t spoil.

As fruit bearers, whatever you ask the Father in relation to me, he gives you. But remember the root command: Love one another.”

(John 15:9-17 The Message)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

Homily: Molly Finlay

(NB: After the homily, please unmute your phones by pressing *6 if you would like to join the congregational singing and prayers)

Music: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation:
All ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things so wondrously reigneth;
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
hast thou not seen how thy entreaties have been
granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:
ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
if with his love he befriends thee.**

(NB: If not already unmuted, you may unmute here by pressing *6)

Prayers: John Monahan

The Lord’s Prayer

The Blessing

Postlude Music

