

# Worship at Home

*Sunday, August 7, 2022 – Ninth Sunday of Pentecost*

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via Zoom or Dial-In



# Welcome and Gathering of the Community



# Opening Hymn

*All Things Bright and Beautiful*

(CP 416)

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

Each radiant flower that opens, each vibrant bird that sings,  
God made their glowing colours, God made their lively wings. [Refrain]

The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,  
the ripe fruit in the garden, God made them every one. [Refrain]

God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell  
how great is the Creator, who has made all things well. [Refrain]



# The Collect

*Officiant* Together, let us pray.

*All* **Almighty God,  
you sent your Holy Spirit  
to be the life and light of your Church.  
Open our hearts to the riches of your grace,  
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit  
in love, joy, and peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.**



# Reading

*Isaiah 1:1, 10-20*

*Reader* A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation - I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.



# Reading

*Isaiah 1:1, 10-20*

*Reader* Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**



# Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24

*Please join on the alternating bolded verses of the psalm*

*Officiant* The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

*All* **Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.**

*Officiant* Our God will come and will not keep silence; before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.

*All* **He calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgement of his people.**

*Officiant* "Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."

*All* **Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; for God himself is judge.**



# Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24

*Please join on the alternating  
bolded verses of the psalm*

*Officiant* Hear, O my people, and I will speak: "O Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.

*All* **I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your offerings are always before me.**

*Officiant* Consider this well, you who forget God, lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.

*All* **Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honours me; but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God."**



# Gospel Reading

*Luke 12:32-40 (MSG)*

*Reader* A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

“What I’m trying to do here is get you to relax, not be so preoccupied with getting so you can respond to God’s giving. People who don’t know God and the way he works fuss over these things, but you know both God and how he works. Steep yourself in God-reality, God-initiative, God-provisions. You’ll find all your everyday human concerns will be met. Don’t be afraid of missing out. You’re my dearest friends! The Father wants to give you the very kingdom itself. “Be generous. Give to the poor. Get yourselves a bank that can’t go bankrupt, a bank in heaven far from bank robbers, safe from embezzlers, a bank you can bank on. It’s obvious, isn’t it? The place where your treasure is, is the place you will most want to be, and end up being.



# Gospel Reading

*Luke 12:32-40 (MSG)*

*Reader* “Keep your shirts on; keep the lights on! Be like house servants waiting for their master to come back from his honeymoon, awake and ready to open the door when he arrives and knocks. Lucky the servants whom the master finds on watch! He’ll put on an apron, sit them at the table, and serve them a meal, sharing his wedding feast with them. It doesn’t matter what time of the night he arrives; they’re awake—and so blessed! “You know that if the house owner had known what night the burglar was coming, he wouldn’t have stayed out late and left the place unlocked. So don’t you be lazy and careless. Just when you don’t expect him, the Son of Man will show up.”

The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**



# **Homily:** The Rev. Yohan Dumpala



# The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant* Let us confess our faith as we say,

*All* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.



# Invitation to Christian Stewardship

*We at St John the Baptist Norway give regularly to God's work through offerings and other gifts. Our offerings support the life of the parish, as well as the work we do in the world, both locally and globally.*

*We invite you to contribute financially as you are able to the life and ministry of the parish. Instructions for submitting contributions can be found on our website.*

**Officiant** Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

**All** Amen.



# **Prayers of the People,** led by The Rev. Yohan Dumpala



# The Confession

*Officiant* Beloved in Christ, Jesus the light of the world has come to dispel the darkness of our hearts. Let us turn to the light and confess our sins.  
Most merciful God,

*All* **We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**



# The Absolution

*Officiant* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* Amen.



# The Lord's Prayer

*Officiant* And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**



# **The Blessing**

# **Announcements**



# Closing Hymn

## *How Firm a Foundation*

(CP 527)

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!

What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
to you who to Jesus for refuge have fled?

“When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;  
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.”

“The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose  
I will not-I will not desert to its foes;  
that soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake,  
I'll never-no, never-no, never forsake!”



# The Dismissal

*Officiant*      Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

*All*      **Thanks be to God!**

