

Enter into the joy of your Master

# The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost 15 November 2020 AD

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

with Spiritual Communion

Prelude

Opening Hymn 410 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

- 1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.
- 2 Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress; praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless. Alleluia, alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.
- 3 Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; in his hand he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.

  Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows.
- 4 Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Priest: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant says Collect for Purity

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Hymn of Praise 381 (verse 4) "God the Father"

God the Father, Light-Creator, to thee laud and honor be; to thee, Light of Light begotten, praise be sung eternally; Holy Spirit, Light-Revealer, glory, glory be to thee; Mortals, angels, Now and ever praise the Holy Trinity.

## The Collect of the Day

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Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray. Celebrant says the Collect of the Day

#### Lesson

A Reading from the Book of Zephaniah. [Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18] The Word of the Lord. [People: Thanks be to God.]

#### Gradual Psalm 90:1-8 read in unison

1 Lord, you have been our refuge \* from one generation to another.

- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, \* from age to age you are God.
- 3 You turn us back to the dust and say, \* "Go back, O child of earth."
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past \* and like a watch in the night.
- 5 You sweep us away like a dream; \* we fade away suddenly like the grass.
- 6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; \* in the evening it is dried up and withered.
- 7 For we consume away in your displeasure; \* we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
- 8 Our iniquities you have set before you, \* and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

### **Epistle**

A Reading from the First Letter to the Thessalonians. [1 Thessalonians 5:1-11] The Word of the Lord. [People: Thanks be to God.]

## **Sequence Hymn 660** "O Master, Ler Me Walk with Thee"

- 1 O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free; tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care. . . .
- 3 Teach me thy patience; still with thee in closer, dearer company, in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong,
- 4 in hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way, in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

## The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. [People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.] [Matthew 25:14-30] The Gospel of the Lord. [People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.]

The Sermon silence follows the sermon

The Nicene Creed [358]

**W** e 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 the People

The Leader concludes each petition: God of love, And the People respond: **Hold us in your care.** 

#### **Confession and Absolution**

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence may be kept.

All: Most merciful God,

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 neighbors 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 Priest says the Absolutin.

**The Peace** Reach out to someone this week to share God's peace.

## **Offertory Sentence**

#### Anthem

## The Great Thanksgiving

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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 him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant says the Preface and then all join in the Sanctus:

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.

Then the Celebrant continues the Great Thanksgiving

During this prayer, all join in saying the Mystery of Faith.

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues the prayer which concludes:

...all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

AMEN.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

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All offer the Lord's Prayer.

## The Breaking of the Bread

Officiant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

#### The Invitation

Officiant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

During the devotional music which follows, the People are invited to make a Spiritual Communion in these words:

In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to God, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul together, with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church. Let me never be separated from you. Amen.

## The Blessing

Closing Hymn 525 "The Church's One Foundation"

- 1 The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word: from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
- 2 Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.
- 3 Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed; yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?" and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
- 4 Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war she waits the consummation of peace for evermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed, and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.
- 5 Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

#### **Dismissal**

*Priest* Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

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