

# The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

8 November 2020 AD

[PART ONE] LITURGY OF THE WORD  
[PART TWO] BACK LOT COMMUNION

Prelude

## Opening Hymn 533 “How Wondrous and Great”

- 1 How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!  
How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!  
O who shall not fear thee, and honor thy Name?  
Thou only art holy, thou only supreme.
- 2 To nations of earth thy light shall be shown;  
their worship and vows shall come to thy throne:  
thy truth and thy judgments shall spread all abroad,  
till earth’s every people confess thee their God.

*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*

*Prayer Book page in blue brackets [355]*

## Hymn of Praise 420 “When in our Music”

- 1 When in our music God is glorified,  
and adoration leaves no room for pride,  
it is as though the whole creation cried Alleluia!
- 2 How often, making music, we have found  
a new dimension in the world of sound,  
as worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!
- 3 So has the Church, in liturgy and song,  
in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,  
borne witness to the truth in every tongue, Alleluia! . . .
- 5 Let every instrument be tuned for praise!  
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!  
And may God give us faith to sing always Alleluia! Amen.

## 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



Keep  
Awake

*A Reading from the Book of Wisdom. Wisdom 6:12-16 The Word of the Lord. [People: Thanks be to God.]*

**Gradual Psalm 70** *read in unison*

- 1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; \*  
O Lord, make haste to help me.
- 2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed  
and altogether dismayed; \*  
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune  
draw back and be disgraced.
- 3 Let those who say to me “Aha!” and gloat over me turn back, \*  
because they are ashamed.
- 4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; \*  
let those who love your salvation say for ever, “Great is the Lord!”
- 5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; \*  
come to me speedily, O God.
- 6 You are my helper and my deliverer; \*  
O Lord, do not tarry.

**Epistle**

*A Reading from the First Letter to the Thessalonians. 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 The Word of the Lord. [People: Thanks be to God.]*

**Sequence Hymn 544** “Jesus Shall Reign”

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun doth his successive journeys run;  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax  
and wane no more.
- 2 To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head;  
his Name like sweet perfume shall rise with every morning sacrifice. . . .
- 5 Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our King;  
angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.

**The Holy Gospel**

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. [People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.] Matthew 25:1-13 The Gospel of the Lord. [People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.]*

**The Sermon** *silence follows the sermon*

**The Nicene Creed**

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**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**

*Intercessor:* Holy God:

*People:* ***how exalted is your Name in all the world.***

*The Celebrant concludes with a Collect.*

### **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:* God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves,  
and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

*The Priest says the Absolution.*

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

**Anthem** *If Ye Love Me* Thomas Tallis (c.1505-1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments, And I will pray the Father, and he shall give  
you another comforter, That he may abide with you for ever, e'en the spirit of truth.

*- John 14:15-17*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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

*Officiant and People pray the Lord's Prayer.*

**The Blessing** *reminds us we are blessed to be a blessing*

**Closing Hymn 486** "Hosanna to the Living Lord"

1 Hosanna to the living Lord! Hosanna to the incarnate Word!

To Christ, Creator, Savior, King, let earth, let heaven, hosanna sing!

*Refrain:* Hosanna, Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

2 Hosanna, Lord! thine angels cry; Hosanna, Lord! thy saints reply;  
above, beneath us, and around, both dead and living swell the sound:

*(Refrain)*

3 O Savior, with protecting care abide in this thy house of prayer,  
where we assembled in thy Name, in faith, thy parting promise claim.

*(Refrain)*

4 But, chiefest, in our cleansed breast, Eternal! bid thy Spirit rest;  
and make our secret soul to be a temple pure and worthy thee. *(Refrain)*

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**Dismissal**

*Priest* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Postlude

[PART TWO]

COMMUNION AVAILABLE TODAY

**Y**ou are invited to our back parking lot to continue our worship and to receive Holy Communion at 11 o'clock this morning. Please print the "Addendum" to this bulletin and bring it with you. When you arrive, orient the front of your car toward red cross in the parking lot and tune to 92.7 FM. Consecrated bread will be brought around to each car. We will offer a "Fellowship Hour" after this form of worship when we are no longer a COVID hotspot. Today is a **SEVEN ON SUNDAY** collection day.



We have a Care Team which is helping us stay in touch by telephone. Call 843.999.0888 for anything whatsoever.

On Sundays we receive the gifts of the people for the support of the church and its mission in the world. Please mail your gifts to **The Church of the Messiah, P O Box 70367, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572.**

These are trying times. If you or someone you know has special needs, please contact Fr. Ferebee confidentially at 843.999.0888.



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ADDENDUM FOR

## HOLY COMMUNION

*for those coming to the back parking lot to receive communion.*

*Please print this section and bring it with you.*

*You may, alternatively, bring your Prayer Book and go to page 361 ff.*

*As you arrive, please park your car facing the red cross and tune your radio to 92.7 FM*

***This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord.***

***It is made ready for those who love God  
and for those who want to love God more.***

***So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,***

***You who have been here often and you who have not been here long,***

***You who have tried to follow and you who have failed.***

***Come, because it is the Lord who invites you.***

***It is the Almighty's will that those who want God should meet God here.***

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*Prayer Book page in blue brackets [361]*

*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.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People (spoken)*

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*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*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many 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*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation**

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*Officiant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

*The Officiant says:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Communion (bread only) is distributed. It is enclosed in a tiny bag which was created while masked and gloved. It has also been frozen for two weeks for additional safety. After all have received, we join to pray:*

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Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### **Dismissal**

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**



We are the Episcopal Church of the Messiah in the City of Myrtle Beach. Our **Vision** is to be an intentionally inclusive community called to love the Lord and to serve God's world in a spirit of reconciliation, hope, and healing. The **Mission** of our church is to practice following Jesus to experience for ourselves and share with others God's love by serving the world in Christ's name.