

# Holy Eucharist

Ordinary Time, Proper 25

Sunday, October 25, 2020

## Liturgy of the Word

### Entrance Rite

*At the sound of the bell, all stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church.*

### Processional Hymn

*How lovely is thy dwelling-place*

Hymnal 517

1 How love - ly is thy dwell - ing - place, O Lord of hosts, to  
2 Be - side thine al - tars, gra - cious Lord, the swal - lows find a  
3 They who go through the des - ert vale will find it filled with  
4 One day with - in thy courts ex - cels a thou - sand spent a -

me! My thirst - y soul de - sires and longs with -  
nest; how hap - py they who dwell with thee and  
springs, and they shall climb from height to height till  
way; how hap - py they who keep thy laws nor

in thy courts to be; my ve - ry heart and  
praise thee with - out rest, and hap - py they whose  
Zi - on's tem - ple rings with praise to thee, in  
from thy pre - cepts stray, for thou shalt sure - ly

flesh cry out, O liv - ing God, for thee.  
 hearts are set up - on the pil - grim's quest.  
 glo - ry throned, Lord God, great King of kings.  
 bless all those who live the words they pray.

*All standing, the Celebrant says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.  
 Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The following is said, all standing*

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### First Reading

Leviticus 19:1-2,15-18

*All sit.*

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy. You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the Lord. You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

## **Psalm**

*Remain seated.*

### **Psalm 1**

*Beatus vir qui non abiit*

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of  
the wicked, \*  
nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, \*  
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*  
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; \*  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when  
judgment comes, \*  
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, \*  
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

## **Second Reading**

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we

had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader           The Word of the Lord.  
 People           Thanks be to God.

### Sequence

All stand.

Kneels at the feet of his friends

Hymnal 602

*Chorus*

Je - su,           Je - su,           fill us with your love, show

us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends,           si - lent - ly wash - es their  
 2 Neigh-bors are rich and poor,           neigh-bors are black and  
 3 These are the ones we should serve,           these are the ones we should  
 4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees,           serv - ing as though we were

feet,           Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.  
 white,           neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.  
 love.           All are neigh-bors to us and you.  
 slaves;           this is the way we should live with you.

*Repeat Chorus*

### Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:34-46

Please be seated.

*Priest*                The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People*                Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet" '? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

*Priest*                The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*                Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon**

The Rev. Christopher R. Beasley

**Nicene Creed**

*All stand and together say*

We 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**

*All remain standing.*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Jennifer, our Bishop, Christopher, our Priest; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for \_\_\_\_\_; in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for \_\_\_\_\_.

Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. We pray for our Care of Creation ministries at St. Peter's, the Indiana Black Farmers Cooperative and all those who work towards becoming beloved community in our world.

Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We remember those on our prayer list \_\_\_\_\_.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed [especially \_\_\_\_\_ ].  
Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.  
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*Celebrant:* For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **Confession of Sin**

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*The priest says,*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A period of silence is observed.*

*Minister and People together say*

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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all  
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in  
eternal life. *Amen.*

# Peace

All stand.

Celebrant        The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People            And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord. Please remain in your pew.

# Holy Communion

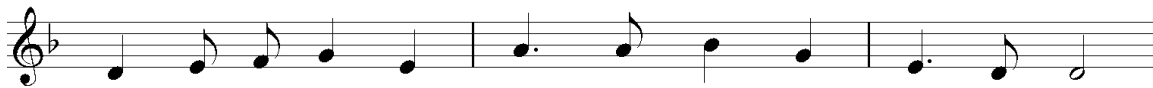
The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.  
Ephesians 5:2

# Offertory Hymn

What does the Lord require

Hymnal 605



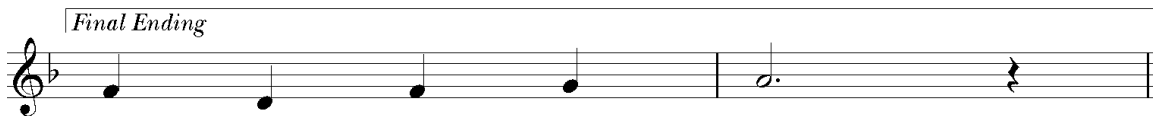
1 What does the Lord re - quire for praise and of - fer - ing?  
2 Ru - lers of earth, give ear! Should you not jus - tice show?  
3 Still down the a - ges ring the pro - phet's stern com-mands.  
4 How shall my soul ful - fill God's law so hard and high?



What sac - ri - fice de - sire, or trib - ute bid you bring?  
Will God your plead - ing hear, while crime and cruel - ty grow?  
To mer - chant, work - er, king he brings God's high de - mands.  
Let Christ en - due our will with grace to for - ti - fy.



Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.  
Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.  
Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.  
Then just - ly; in mer - cy we'll (hum-bly walk with God.)



hum - bly walk with God.



## Holy Communion (Liturgy of the Table)

*The people remain standing.*

*All remain standing.*

*The people remain standing.*

*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 proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

### Sanctus

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out

of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 Celebrant then continues*

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

*People and Celebrant*

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,**

on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.

## Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

*The People and the Celebrant say,*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
grant us peace.

*At the invitation to Communion, feed on Christ in your heart by faith as you pray these words*

*(Those joining virtually should join with the Celebrant saying these words, those gathered in-person will not say these words):*

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

## Communion Hymn

This is my bod - y giv - en up for you, this is my

The first system of music features a vocal line in the upper staff and a piano accompaniment in the lower two staves. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 6/8. The lyrics are: "This is my bod - y giv - en up for you, this is my".

blood poured out for you. This is my bod - y giv - en

The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "blood poured out for you. This is my bod - y giv - en".

up for you, this is my blood poured out for you.

The third system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "up for you, this is my blood poured out for you.".

Bod - y of Christ, A - men, Blood of

The fourth system concludes the piece with the lyrics: "Bod - y of Christ, A - men, Blood of".

Christ, A - men, Bod-y of Christ,

A - men, Blood of Christ, A - men.

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*The Celebrant and People together say*

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.

## Blessing

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## Recessional Hymn

*Come down, O Love divine*

Hymnal 516

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,  
2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn  
3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;  
to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;  
shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,  
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,  
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.  
and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.  
where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

## Dismissal

*Celebrant* Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

## A Note on Today's Readings

*Proper 25: Sunday closest to October 26—Year A*

Welcome to our parish. As we continue to read the Gospel according to Matthew, we hear another of the confrontations between Jesus and the Pharisees. Last week they tried to discredit him with the people and the government; today they test his orthodoxy. Jesus answers their question in correct Jewish form and then counters with a question to them. This passage is leading toward the Christian belief that Jesus is more than a descendent of King David; he is the Son of God.

The first reading is a portion of the giving of the Law. In it, love and faithfulness toward God is to be expressed by love and care for human beings. This is the same principle that Jesus upholds in the Gospel reading.

In the second reading, Paul continues his greetings to the Thessalonian church, reminding them of his original visit to them and of his love and affection for them.

In the Eucharist, we experience the dual nature of our own existence: related to God and yet human. We are not simply living at the human level but through baptism are bearers of divinity. In the mundane elements of common food and drink, we meet God. Likewise, in our lives our human nature is permeated by God's nature. This is the reason we can pray; this is the reason we are sent into the world to minister to others.

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