

The Holy Eucharist of the People of God
for Sundays after the Feast of Pentecost
Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
Lebanon, Indiana 46052
29 October 2023 – Proper 25

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Our Entrance into an Awareness of God's Presence

The People stand as they are able.

The Processional Hymn

Lord, whose love through humble service

Hymnal 610

1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man
2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing
4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we

need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's
bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we
light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our
go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing

per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship
 mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion
 quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens
 deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,

not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing
 healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your
 your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to
 coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,

to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.
 Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.
 tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

The Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

The People: *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen*

The Presider may pray:

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.

The People: *Amen.*

All sing God's praise:

The Gloria

The following is sung, all standing

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



The Prayer of the Day

The Presider greets the people in Jesus Christ:

The Lord be with you.

The People: *And also with you.*

The Presider: 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.

The People: *Amen.*

Our Liturgy of the Word of God

Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18

First Reading

All sit.

A Reading from the book of Leviticus.

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.

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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.

1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8

Second Reading

A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians.

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.

The stars declare his glory

Hymnal 431

1 The stars de - clare his glo - ry; the vault of hea - ven springs
 2 The dawn re - turns in splen - dor, the hea - vens burn and blaze,
 3 So shine the Lord's com - mand - ments to make the sim - ple wise;
 4 So or - der too this life of mine, di - rect it all my days;

mute wit - ness of the Mas - ter's hand in all cre - a - ted things, and
 the ris - ing sun re - news the race that me - asures all our days and
 more sweet than hon - ey to the taste, more rich than an - y prize, a
 the med - i - ta - tions of my heart be in - no - cence and praise, my

through the si - lenc - es of space their sound - less mu - sic sings. _____
 writes in fire a - cross the skies God's ma - jes - ty and praise. _____
 law of love with - in our hearts, a light be - fore our eyes. _____
 rock, and my re - deem - ing Lord, in all my words and ways. _____

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Matthew 22: 34-46

Holy Gospel

All stand.

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.

After the Gospel Reading

<i>Priest</i>	The Gospel of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

*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.*

The Prayers of the People

Prayer is offered with intercession for: the Universal Church, its members, and its mission; the nation and all in authority; the welfare of the world, the concerns of the local community; those who suffer and those in any trouble; and the departed (with commemoration of a saint when appropriate).

The Presider: Let us pray to the One God, the Holy Trinity in our midst, who in loving, forgiving, and accepting us calls us to new life in Christ and pours out the love of God into our hearts through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for all the ministers of the Church: for laity, bishops, priests, and deacons. May each Christian truly live out their vocation of faith and humble service both within the Church and within the world. And may all Christians together give a true witness to the Gospel of love, forgiveness, and acceptance given to us in the Kingdom of God. We remember especially our companion diocese of Bor and Brasilia, and in our own diocese, we remember _____.

O Blessed Trinity, One God,
The People: ***Hear our prayer.***

The Leader: We pray for the nations of this world and for the leaders of all nations, that justice, peace and freedom might become a reality everywhere; and that the power of oppression, cruelty, injustice, greed, and poverty might be overthrown. We pray especially for those places of conflict in the world that seem hopeless and unending that people everywhere might demand an end to violence, war, and destruction. And we pray that those who hate might discover the humanity of those they hate so that the power of hatred and fear might be broken and that we might not be drawn into hating and fearing in return. O Blessed Trinity, One God,

The People: *Hear our prayer.*

The Leader: We pray for all those who suffer in any way: for the lost, the lonely, and the unloved; for the sick, of body, mind, or spirit; for the homeless, the destitute, and the hungry, for refugees, prisoners, and the tortured; and for all who turn to God for help, sustenance, and relief. We pray especially for: _____, that they might know the healing and comforting presence of the hand of God. O Blessed Trinity, One God,

The People: *Hear our prayer.*

The Leader: We pray for those who have died and for those who grieve that the hope of the resurrection of Jesus might comfort them, renew faith, and lead those who have died home to God's eternity. We remember especially those who are close to our hearts: _____. O Blessed Trinity, One God,

The People: *Hear our prayer.*

Silence for private prayer

The Presider: Holy God in our midst: hear our prayers, not only of our lips, but of our hearts as well. And grant our requests as is best for us and for all for whom we pray. This we ask in the Name of Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The People: *Amen.*

The Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Presider says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel as they are able.

Silence for self examination.

*The Minister and People then 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.
The People: **Amen.***

Our Sharing the Peace of Jesus Christ

The Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

The People: And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord making peace
with one another before bringing their gifts to the altar.*

Our Liturgy of the Holy Communion

The Offering of Our Lives and of Our Gifts back to God

*Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings to the deacon or Presider of
bread and wine, and money or other gifts, as we offer our lives back to God in faith and in
faithful life and work.*

The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar and sing:

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry; more won - der - ful it seems
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry; 'tis pleas - ant to re - peat
 4 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
 than all the gold - en fan - cies of all our gold - en dreams.
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet.
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know 'tis true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, it did so much for me;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else can do.
 and that is just the rea - son I tell it now to thee.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
 'twill be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry, 'twill be my theme in glo - ry,

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Our Great Thanksgiving Prayer to God

The people remain standing. The Presider, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings:

The musical notation consists of four staves. The first two staves are for the Celebrant and the People, respectively, with lyrics: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The third staff is for the Celebrant with lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The fourth staff is for the People with lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise." The music is in a simple, melodic style with a key signature of one flat.

The Presider continues on behalf of all who are present:

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with all the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

All sing or say:

The "Holy, Holy, Holy" from Isaiah 6:3

The musical notation consists of two systems, each with a treble and bass clef staff. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,". The music is in a simple, melodic style with a key signature of one flat.

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel as the Presider continues:

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the

world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, and sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

The Presider and the People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [_____ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All say:

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,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung the Fraction Anthem. The People repeat the refrain after the priest sings it the first time, and then after each verse.

The Presider: The disciples knew the Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread

The People: *The disciples knew the Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.*

The Presider: The bread which we break, alleluia,
 is the communion of the body of Christ.

The People: *The disciples knew the Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.*

The Presider: One body are we, alleluia,
 for though many we share one bread.

The People: *The disciples knew the Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.*

The Presider says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to come to our Lord's table for a blessing. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the blessing of communion. Others may come forward for a blessing from the priest indicating this by crossing their arms over their chest.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

The People: Amen.

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

The People: Amen.

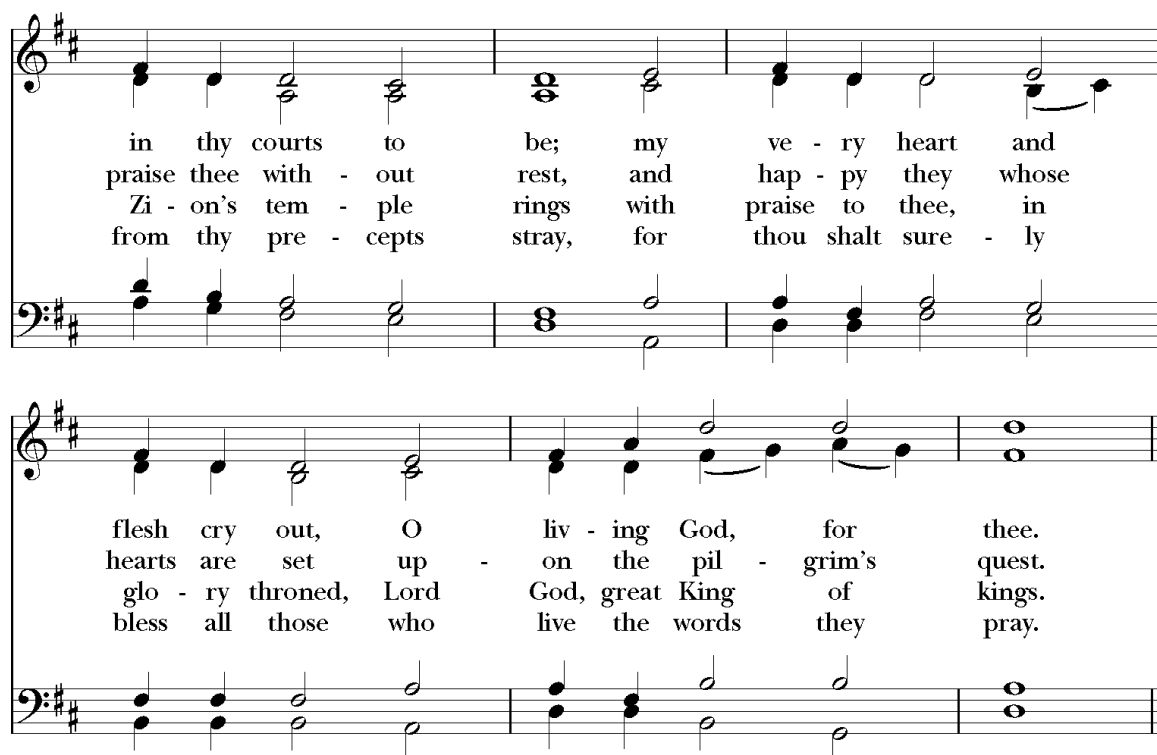
Communion Hymn

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.

Our Final Prayer of Thanksgiving to God

The Presider: Let us pray.

The Presider and People pray together:

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and with one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in the world, in the name of the Holy Trinity.

The People: Amen

(Source: Celtic)

6 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate
 2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar
 3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did
 * 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the
 * 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the

ball, to him a - scribe, and

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
 2 call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and
 3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and
 4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
 5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

crown him Lord of all! to him a -

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al
 2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of
 3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,
 4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you
 5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

scribe, and crown him Lord of all!

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!
 3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!
 4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
 on this terrestrial ball,
 to him all majesty ascribe,
 and crown him Lord of all!

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The Sending Forth into the World

The Presider: Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

The People: *Thanks be to God.*

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Please join us to continue our table fellowship
 with refreshments and conversation in the Gathering Area
 as our liturgy continues into a new week
 of God's grace in work and in play.

