

# **The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

## **Sunday, October 3, 2021**

### **The Liturgy of the Word**

#### **Choral Introit**

*All stand as are able*

**Processional Hymn: H-390**

**Praise to the Lord**

*Lobe den Herren*

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation  
Join the great throng, psaltery, organ, and song  
Sounding in glad adoration**

**Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again;  
Gladly forever adore him.**

*Presider*      Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People*        **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**Gloria**                      **Glory to you**

**Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.  
Glory to you, beholding the depth; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

#### **The Collect of the Day**

*Presider*      The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider*      Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*Please be seated for the lessons*

## **First Lesson**

**read by Jerry Hanen**

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
this one shall be called Woman,  
for out of Man this one was taken."

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

*After the reading*

*Reader*        The word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 8**

**read in unison**

O Lord our Governor, \*  
    how exalted is your Name in all the world!  
Out of the mouths of infants and children \*  
    your majesty is praised above the heavens.  
You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \*  
    to quell the enemy and the avenger.  
When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*  
    the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,  
What is man that you should be mindful of him? \*  
    the son of man that you should seek him out?  
You have made him but little lower than the angels; \*  
    you adorn him with glory and honor;  
You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \*  
    you put all things under his feet:  
All sheep and oxen, \*  
    even the wild beasts of the field,  
The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \*  
    and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.  
O Lord our Governor, \*  
    how exalted is your Name in all the world!

## **Second Lesson**

**read by Ann Mellow**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of

the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

“What are human beings that you are mindful of them,  
or mortals, that you care for them?  
You have made them for a little while lower than the angels;  
you have crowned them with glory and honor,  
subjecting all things under their feet.”

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

“I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

*After the reading*

*Reader*        The word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand for the Gospel procession and reading*

**Sequence Hymn:                    Halle Halle Halle**

## **The Holy Gospel**

*Before the Gospel*

*Deacon*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark.

*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

*Deacon*        The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

*Please stand and say together*

### **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                      led by Kallen Tsikalas**

Loving God, You are our Creator and Sustainer.

When You open Your hand, You satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.

And so we look to You whenever we are in need,  
trusting in Your love and Your abundant goodness.

As You once fed the hungry crowds with five loaves and two small fish,  
we ask that You would again fill those who are empty this day.  
Pour out Your Spirit on all who hunger and thirst.

We pray for those who are physically hungry—whose stomachs are empty.  
We think especially of the people in our country and across the world  
who are facing critical food shortages;  
    who are suffering the effects of malnutrition and starvation;  
    and watching helplessly as loved ones die.

We pray for those who are empty emotionally—  
who are lonely and long for companionship and love,  
    who are caught in the grip of depression, or overwhelmed with grief.

We pray for those who are spiritually empty—

who are troubled, but don't know where to turn;  
who long for purpose and meaning, but don't know where to look;  
who need You, but do not yet know You.

God, we praise You for Your abundant gifts in our lives.  
Pour out Your Spirit on us as well.  
Fill us with Your compassion and love,  
so that we would willingly share some of our abundance  
with those who have need.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,  
who came so that all of humanity might come to know  
the abundant life that comes from You.

Dear people of God for whom and for what do you pray?

*You are invited to speak your intercessions aloud or to type them in the chat.*

### **The Confession of Sin & Absolution**

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

*All* **Almighty God, Source of all that is, Giver of every good gift:**

**You create all people in your image and call us to love one another as you love us.**

**We confess that we have failed to honor you in the great diversity of the human family. We have  
desired to live in freedom,**

**while building walls between ourselves and others.**

**We have longed to be known and accepted for who we are,**

**while making judgements of others based on the color of skin, or the shape of features, or the  
varieties of human experience.**

**We have tried to love our neighbors individually**

**while yet benefitting from systems that hold those same neighbors in oppression. Forgive us,  
Holy God.**

**Give us eyes to see you as you are revealed in all people.**

**Strengthen us for the work of reconciliation rooted in love.**

**Restore us in your image, to be beloved community,  
united in our diversity,**

**even as you are one with Christ and the Spirit,**

**Holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever.**

**Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Presider* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* **And also with you!**

## The Holy Communion

*This is God's Table: all are welcome*

### Offertory Anthem

*Please stand*

### Doxology

*Old Hundredth*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

*Preside* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God 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... 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:

*Presider and People sing together*

**The Sanctus LEVAS II 255** (*Mass for a Soulful People*)

Grayson Warren Brown

**Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.**

**Heaven and earth are filled with your glory, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, in the highest, hosanna in the highest**

*The Presider 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:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

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 Lord's Prayer LEVAS II 264**

A.H. Malotte

**Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*Please remain standing and sing together*

**Fraction Anthem**

S. Shull

**We who are many, are one body,  
For we all share in the one bread,  
we all share in the one bread.**

*Please remain standing*

**Invitation to Communion**

These are the gifts for God for all of us, the people of God. Let us take them in remembrance that Christ died for us and feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**Communion Anthem Let Us Break Bread Together**

- 1. Let us break bread together on our knees,**
- 2. Let us drink wine together on our knees....**
- 3. Let us praise God together on our knees....**

**When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord have mercy on me**

*All stand, and say together*

**Post Communion Prayer**

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

**[Refrain] All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small  
All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all**

**Verse 1. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colors, he made their tiny wings.**

**Verse 2. He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell  
How great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.**

**Parting Prayer**     *sung to the tune of Edelweiss*

**May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever,  
bind your heart to his heart with a bond that nothing can sever.  
Give you light on the uphill road and courage in every endeavor.  
May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever.**

**The Dismissal**

*Deacon*     Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!

*People*     **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Weekly Announcements**

**Blessing of the Animals**

Today, Sunday, October 3rd<sup>th</sup> we will bless all the animals at 11:30am on the lawn, weather permitting!

**Fall Newsletter**

Please make sure to check out our Fall Newsletter that went out this week via email and is on our website:

[www.holyapostlesbrooklyn.com](http://www.holyapostlesbrooklyn.com)

**Prayer requests**— if you would like Mothers Sarah and Kimberlee to pray for a thanksgiving or a concern, please email them at: [info@holypostlesbrooklyn.com](mailto:info@holypostlesbrooklyn.com)