

# **The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

## **Sunday, October 10, 2021**

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

#### **Choral Introit**

*All stand as are able*

**Processional Hymn: H-379**

**God is Love**

*Abbot's Leigh*

**God is love, let heaven adore him! God is Love, let earth rejoice;  
Let creation sing before him and exalt him with one voice  
God who laid the earth's foundation, God who spread the heavens above  
God who breathes through all creation; God is Love, eternal Love.**

**God is Love; and love enfolds us, all the world in one embrace;  
With unfailing grasp God holds us every child of every race  
And when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod  
Then we find that self same aching deep within the heart of God**

*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.**

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*Please be seated for the lessons*

## **First Lesson**

**read by Emily Flake**

A reading from the prophet Amos.

Seek the Lord and live,

or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,  
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,

and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,

and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor

and take from them levies of grain,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions,

and how great are your sins—

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;

for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,

that you may live;

and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good,

and establish justice in the gate;

it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

*After the reading*

*Reader*        **The word of the Lord.**

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalms 90:12-17**

**read in unison**

So teach us to number our days \*

that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? \*

be gracious to your servants.

Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; \*

so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us \*

and the years in which we suffered adversity.

Show your servants your works \*

and your splendor to their children.

May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; \*

prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

## **Second Lesson**

**read by Heather Kelly**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*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.**

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

*Deacon*       The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **The Sermon**

## **The Mothers**

*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 Erin McNaughton**

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.**

*The Presider 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 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**

**Recessional Hymn: L-105**

**I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me**

**I'm so glad Jesus lifted me  
I'm so glad Jesus lifted me  
I'm so glad Jesus lifted me  
Singing glory Hallelujah, Jesus lifted me**

**When I was in trouble Jesus lifted me  
When I was in trouble Jesus lifted me  
When I was in trouble Jesus lifted me  
Singing glory Hallelujah, Jesus lifted me**

**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!**