Holy Eucharist

Rite II



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Robert Odom, Celebrant October 5, 2025

The altar flowers are given by Jewel McGraw in memory of her husband Braxton (aka Mac).

The Word of God



Vs. 1-3

The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

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The Opening Acclamation

People

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect of Purity

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 the Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria Hymnal S-277



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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant 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*.

First Lesson

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous--therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

 $After\ the\ reading,\ the\ lector\ says$

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 137

1 By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, * when we remembered you, O Zion.

2 As for our harps, we hung them up * on the trees in the midst of that land.

3 For those who led us away captive asked us for a song, and our oppressors called for mirth: *
"Sing us one of the songs of Zion."

4 How shall we sing the Lord'S song * upon an alien soil.

5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, * let my right hand forget its skill.

6 Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you, * if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.

7 Remember the day of Jerusalem, O Lord, against the people of Edom, * who said, "Down with it! down with it! even to the ground!"

8 O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction, * happy the one who pays you back for what you have done to us!

9 Happy shall he be who takes your little ones, * and dashes them against the rock!

Second Lesson

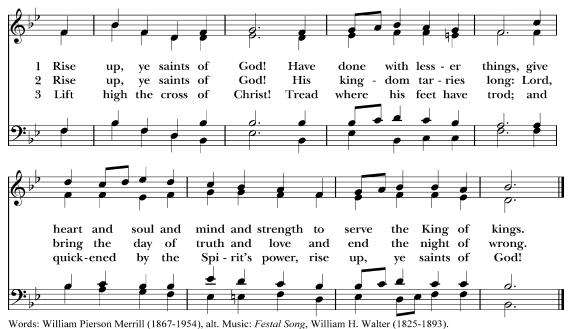
2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

After the reading, the lector says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



Then, all standing, the Deacon or Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

People

The Gospel Lesson

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, `Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

After the Gospel, the Deacon or Celebrant says

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ. People

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.

Prayers of the People VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all those who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector, and Brian, our bishops, for our supply priests, and for all bishops and other ministers, *For all who serve God in his Church*.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *Silence*

Hear us, Lord; For your mercy is great.
We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life (including the birthdays of [] and the anniversaries of [].) Silence
We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever.
We pray for all who have died, [especially,] that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; *Who put their trust in you.*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept*.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; In your compassion forgive us our sins, Known and unknown, Things done and left undone; And so uphold us by your Spirit That we may live and serve you in newness of life, To the honor and glory of your Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

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*.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Announcements

Sunday, 10/5 Stewardship Campaign Begins

Undesignated Offering to Discretionary Fund

9:45a Adult Lectionary Discussion

Children's Sunday School

Monday, 10/6 6:30p Book Club

Tuesday, 10/7 6:00p National Night Out Neighborhood Event

Wednesday, 10/8 12:00p Morning Prayer Service

12:30p Bible Study

2:00p Grief Support Group

7:00p Choir Practice

6:00p Ensemble Handbell Practice

Thursday, 10/9 1:00p Balance Class

5:30p No Handbell Practice

Saturday, 10/11 10:30a Blessing of the Animals

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, 10/12 Liturgy of the Word Services

9:30a Vestry/Delegate Elections

9:45a Adult Lectionary Discussion

Children's Sunday School

12:00p Newcomer's Luncheon

Wednesday, 10/15 12:00p Morning Prayer Service

12:30p Bible Study

2:00p Grief Support Group

7:00p Choir Practice

Thursday, 10/16 1:00p Balance Class

5:30p Handbell Practice

Saturday, 10/18 6:00p Thrive

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Sunday, 10/19 9:30a Pastor Appreciation Sunday

12:00 Conversation Exploring Cultural Perspectives

Dia de los Muertos Celebration

Prayer for a New Rector

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: look graciously on St. Francis and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for your ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer 51. For a Birthday

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever he may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* fall; and in *his* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Prayer for St. Francis

Heavenly Father, we come to you at this time, seeking your perfect plan for St. Francis. We seek your wisdom, discernment, and guidance as to how we may serve you best and to your glory. Make us a church where your Son, Jesus, is lifted up as Lord and Savior and where the healing power and presence of the Holy Spirit is known. Even as your people trusted in you to bring them to the Promised Land, we look to you as God and Father to lead us in all things. We trust you to bring to us the people and resources to help us accomplish your work. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, 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.

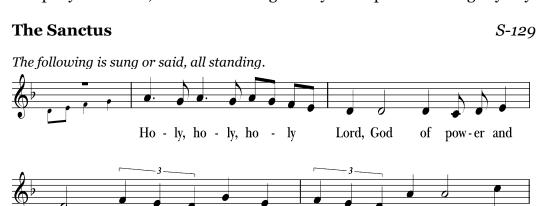
Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

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The people stand or kneel. 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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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 forever. *AMEN*.

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

People and Celebrant

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

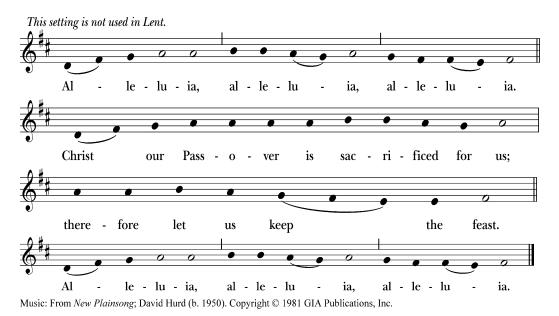
The Breaking of Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]*

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Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

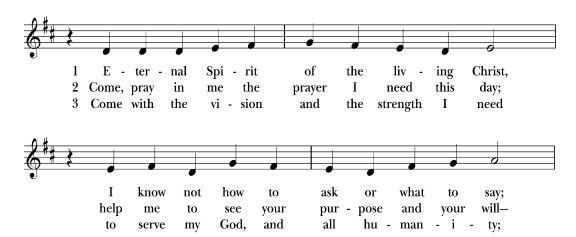
and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

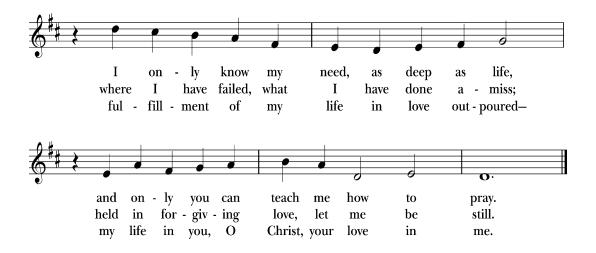
The ministers receive the Sacrament and then immediately deliver it to the people. The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

Communion Hymn

Eternal Spirit of the living Christ 698





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Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

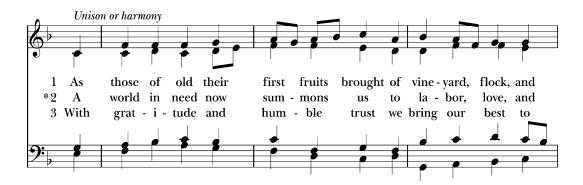
Celebrant and People

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 Priest may bless the people.

Closing Hymn

As those of old Their first fruits brought 705





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The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. *People Thanks be to God.*



Incarnational Transformation

An Interview By the Very Rev. Julia McCray Goldsmith

chose "Tell Out My Soul" as a hymn for my ordination two years ago. It's such an important biblical text and prayer, and it has a special meaning for me as a Latina. In Latin America we are devoted to Mary but don't necessarily pray the Magnificat so much. It's such a statement of hope, abundance and strength, though. Mary strengthens me.

While I was in formation for the priesthood, I used to pray to God to stop me if I was taking the wrong path. Ordination felt like a radical transformation: it required a lot of trust, just like being the mother of God was an act of trust for Mary. Growing up in Costa Rica, a nun in my Catholic school said Mary always brings us to places and then takes us away from places. She moved in faith, and so have I.

I came to the US to study music at Indiana University. When I was finishing my bachelor's degree I found myself pregnant. I couldn't go back to CR because I would have been subjected to so much shame. But even though it was really hard to continue, people surrounded me and became family to me and my daughter. I experienced more of the same love and solidarity at Christ Church Cathedral in Indianapolis, which was my very first professional job as a musician.

Music has the power to transform our communities. I'm pretty sure that whatever Good News I bring has to do with Latin American music. Latino people have a gift to share culture and spirituality. It's an incarnated spirituality that takes the form of hospitality, sharing meals, motherhood, community, and solidarity. It's different from European music in that it's an oral tradition learned by ear. That's incarnational, too: the music is told through our voices and learned through our ears.



Questions for Reflection:

How do you pass down stories from one person or generation to another in your cultural context?



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