



The Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost
November 8, 2020

The Service of the Word

Temporary Safety Rules

- ✠ Be joyful, grateful, and blessed!
- ✠ Please wear mask anytime you are not seated in a pew/chair.
- ✠ Bathroom: please only one person in a bathroom at a time.
- ✠ **Communion:** A priest will come through the aisle to distribute bread (host) only. If you wish NOT to receive the bread, simply cross your arms across your chest.

Opening Voluntary: *Samuel Klauss (piano)*

Opening Hymn: “America the Beautiful”

*Oh beautiful, for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain;
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood,
From sea to shining sea.*

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

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever! Amen.***

The Collect for 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 your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen*

The Collect of the Day - *prayed by the Celebrant*

The First Reading: *1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the

archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm: 70 (read responsively by whole verse)

- 1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me;
O LORD, make haste to help me.
- 2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed
and altogether dismayed;
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be disgraced.
- 3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me
turn back,
because they are ashamed.
- 4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;
let those who love your salvation say for ever,
"Great is the LORD!"
- 5 But as for me, I am poor and needy;
come to me speedily, O God.
- 6 You are my helper and my deliverer;
O LORD, do not tarry.

Sequence Hymn: “Bless the Lord Oh My Soul”

*Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, and all that is within me
Bless His Holy name
Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, and all that is within me
Bless His Holy name
He has done great things, He has done great things
He has done great things, Bless His Holy name
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me
Bless His holy name*

The Gospel Reading: *Matthew 25:1-13*

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

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

The Peace: Welcome & Announcements



The Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 361 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

Offertory: "O Come to the Altar"

*Are you hurting and broken within?
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin, Jesus is calling.
Have you come to the end of yourself?
Do you thirst for a drink from the well, Jesus is calling.*

Refrain:

*O come to the altar, the Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of
Jesus Christ*

*Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today, there's no reason to wait, Jesus is calling.
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born, Jesus is calling.
(Refrain)*

*Oh what a Savior, isn't He wonderful?
Sing hallelujah! Christ is risen!
Bow down before Him, for He is Lord of all.
Sing hallelujah! Christ is risen! (Refrain)*

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Sanctus

*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.*

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People ***Christ has died.***

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again..

Prayer for Grace and Blessing

Loving God, while I cannot receive your Holy
Communion at this time, I sincerely ask you to send your
Holy Spirit upon me now and upon all of your children.
Fill me, sustain me, and lead me with your life-giving
Grace and strength, today and forever. *Amen.*

Communion Hymn: "Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord"

*Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord,
And drink the holy Blood for you outpoured.*

*With heavenly bread he makes the hungry whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.*

*Approach ye then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.*

Communion Hymn: "We Will Feast in the House of Zion"

Refrain:

*We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things, we will say together
We will feast and weep no more*

*We will not be burned by the fire
He is the LORD our God
We are not consumed, by the flood
Upheld, protected, gathered up (Refrain)*

*In the dark of night, before the dawn
My soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength (Refrain)*

*Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the Faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom. (Refrain)*

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

Closing Hymn: "Eternal Father Strong to Save"

*Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm doth bond the restless wave,
Who bids the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.*

The Dismissal

Closing Voluntary: *Samuel Klauss (piano)*

Flower Dedications

In Honor of our 32nd Anniversary Roy & Lorrie Wilkinson

Your Sermon Notes

Prayer List

Requested Prayer

Adam, Adam D., Aly & Baby Logan, Arlene, Barbara, Betty J., Betty W., Bob, Bobbie, Brad, Brenda, Bryan, Catherine, Fr. Chris, Cindy Ba., Cindy Br., Darlene, David H., David I., Debrah, Doug, Drew, Ed., Ellie, Elsie, Emme, Faith, Fay, Fred, Grace, Jackie, James, Jamie, Jean, Jennifer W., Jessica, Jillian, Joey, John B., John G., Jordan, Joseph, Jude, Judy G., Karen, Kelly, Ken, Kevin, Kiefer, Kimberly, Kristyn, Laya, Linda E., Linda M., Luke Allen, Margaret, Marguerite, Melissa, Nancy, Neta, Pat, T., Patrick B., Paula, K., Paula M., Peggy, Polly, Ralph, Selene, Sherry Jo, Sherry, Sierra, Stacie, Sue, Susan B., Susan C., Susan K., Teresa K., Teresa L., Terry, Tif, Tom, Tony, The Lanier Family, The Youth, & Wendy, All those affected by Hurricane Sally & the Wildfires in the West

Military

Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Ben Boyer, Bill Elliott, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman,

Dylan Hoewt, Edie Ruiz, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey, J Jackie Neville, Jason Wine, Jeremy Rice, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Raymond Buckalew, Jr., Sean Haight, Shaun Southall, Terry W. Triplett, Jr., Tyler Post

Repose of the Soul

Cecil "Buddy" Lanier
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Greg Williams
Americans who have died from COVID-19

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