



Holy Cross EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 3, 2021

The Service of the Word

Opening Voluntary: *Sam Klauss (piano)*

Opening Hymn 376: “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

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

CHILDREN’S CHAPEL *** (Ages 4 – 10 years)

During the following hymn, children process with the leader to the Chapel for a lesson and singing; they return at The Peace.

Song of Praise 390: “Praise to the Lord the Almighty”

*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.*

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

The First Reading: *Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12*

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm: *8:1-5* (read responsively by whole verse)

- 1 O LORD our Governor,
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him?
the son of man that you should seek him out?

Sequence Hymn 490: “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

*I want to walk as a child of the light
I want to follow Jesus
God set the stars to give light to the world
The star of my life is Jesus*

*Refrain:
In him there is no darkness at all
The night and the day are both alike
The Lamb is the light of the city of God
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus*

The Gospel Reading: *Mark 10:2-16*

Reader 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.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise to you Lord Christ.***

Sermon

The Rev. Rob Dixon

The Nicene Creed (p. 358 BCP)

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 & 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.*

(*“catholic” means universal)

Prayers of the People

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for this gathering; for our priests and our bishops; and for all people and ministers. Pray for the Church. - *Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace throughout the world. - *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble. – *Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him. - *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed and for those who miss them. Pray for those who have died. – *Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. – *Silence.*

The Confession (p. 360 BCP)

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 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.

The Communion. *All baptized Christians are invited and welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited to kneel at the rail, cross their arms over their chest, and receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pews, please notify the ushers at the door of the church.*

Offertory 671: “Amazing Grace”
*Holy Cross Chancel Choir
Congregation Is Invited to Sing*

The Doxology 380: (v. 3)
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 (p. 361 BCP)
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 (*Said*)
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: “Celtic Alleluia”
*Alleluia Alleluia
Alleluia Alleluia*

Communion Hymn: “10,000 Reasons”
*Refrain:
Bless the Lord oh my soul, Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name, Sing like never before
Oh my soul, I'll worship Your Holy name*
*The sun comes up, It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes (Refrain)*

*You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find (Refrain)*

Communion Hymn 383: “Fairest Lord Jesus”
*Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son;
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.*

*Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.*

*Fair is the sunshine,
Fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.*

Post Communion Prayer (p. 365 BCP)
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 420: (v. 1-3) “When In Our Music God is Glorified”
*When in our music God is glorified,
And adoration leaves no room for pride,
It is as though the whole creation cried.
Alleluia!*

*How often, making music, we have found
A new dimension in the world of sound,
As worship moved us to a more profound.
Alleluia!*

*So has the Church, in liturgy and song,
In faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
Borne witness to the truth in every tongue,
Alleluia! Amen!*

Flower Dedications

Flowers Given Today By Jerry & Suzanne Holzworth

Your Sermon Notes

Prayer List

Requested Prayers will remain on the list for 4 weeks. Please let us know if you need to be on longer.

Requested Prayer

Axel, Barbara, C., Barbara N., Bet, Betty, Bob, Bobby, Brenda B., Brenna, Caiti, Dale, David I., Debra, Don D., Don I., Emme, Fr. Chris, Curtis, Gage, Gary, Jack, Jackie, Joseph, Kathy, LaKeisha, Laura, Pamela, Shea, Ralph, Regina, Sherry Jo, Susan, Theresa, Tom L., Tom R., Tony, Trinity, Trish, Wade, William B., The Ed Shontz Family, The James Shontz Family, The Scordato Family, The People of Afghanistan, especially women & children, & The Rowland Family

Military

Adam Paris, Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Asa Ramsey, Ben Boyer, Capt. Bruce Gough, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Edie Ruiz, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey,

Jackie Neville, Jeremy Rice, Jessica Parker, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Sean Haight, Shaun Southall, Stephen del Risco, Terry W. Triplett, Jr., T. J. Bossa, Tyler Post, William Verwoerdt

Prayers for Discernment

Leanne Whalen

Repose of the Soul

Philip Rowland
Mimi Drager
William Kuch
Margaret Ward
Max Enfinger
All who have died from COVID-19

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