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Sunday, October 24, 2021
The Twenty Second Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Eucharists Rite II
Worship at 10:15 AM
In-Person & Facebook Live
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Prelude

Kelli Glann

Let us pray

O Almighty God, who pours out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from the coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Processional

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

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Opening Acclamation

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

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

Gloria in Excelsis

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

A reading from Jeremiah.

For thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, * then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with the shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations, * "The Lord has done great things for them.

The Lord has done great things for us, * and we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, * like the watercourses of the Negev.

Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of Joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Reading

Hebrews 7: 23-28

A reading from Hebrews.

Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel

Mark 10: 46-52

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” So, throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant & Congregation

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

Restore us, O Lord, and grant us your joy; that we may walk by the water brooks without stumbling, and know you to be our kind Father:

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, then we were like those who dream.

As you granted a vision of hope to the tribes of Israel in the time of their captivity, so quicken the joy of our sick and lift them up in mind and body pray Anita, Beth, Danny, Dave, Delinda, Denny, Elaine, Ian, Jaden, Jane, Jeff, Jerry, Jessica, Joan, Jonah, Julie, Kathleen, Kent, Kenneth, Kim, Penny, Susan, Suzanne, Therese, Robby, Robert, Taylor and Logan and their unborn baby. Make them also to see your goodness through the veil of pain and tears:

Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Jesus has been made our great high priest, able to make a perpetual intercession and to bring us into the divine presence; so make your Church reflect Christ's ministry of reconciliation, extending your grace to all in any need or trouble:

The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

As the disciples followed the Lord to Jericho, assist us also to perceive the way in which we should walk, and to be open to occasions of witness and ministry in the course of our journey:

Restore our fortunes like the watercourses of the Negev.

Bartimaeus cried out and would not be silenced; so give us determination in seeking after your kindness, making known our need in prayer:

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

Banish all blindness from our eyes and give us the sight that will make us follow Christ along the way:

Those who go out weeping will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Pray for the Episcopal Church of Cuba

Pray for the people of India, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka

Pray for St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Wamego the Reverend Casey Rohleder, and their lay leadership.

For the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry, for our Bishop Cathleen Bascom, for all bishops and ministers, and for all the holy people of God.

For Heartland Minster and their Shepherd, The Reverend Marc McDonald, Rector of St Andrews Episcopal Church, Emporia Kansas.

We give thanks for St. Matthew's and Trinity and pray for St. Matthew's Payee Program, Northridge Elementary School their teachers, staff, students and families, Priscilla's Pet Pantry, and all outreach of our churches.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 Absolution

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also, with you.

Offertory Sentence

If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that a brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.

Matthew 5:23-24

Instrumental Music

Kelli Glann

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 our God.

People: **It is right to give him 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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

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Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel as able.

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:

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 forever. **AMEN.** +++

The Lord's Prayer

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

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 the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore, let us keep the Feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Hymn

Just as I am, Without One Plea"

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The Post-Communion Prayer

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

The Blessing

Go in safety, for you cannot go where God is not; go in love, for love alone endures; and, go in peace, for peace is God's gift to those who love Him. And now, the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**

The Dismissal

Go, in strong and growing faith. Trust in the tenderness of Christ to heal a bruised and broken world.

Thanks be to God.

Go, in eager and refreshing hope. Work with Christ risen from the dead, to fulfill the promise of a new creation.

Thanks be to God.

Go, in costly and courageous love. Proclaim the power of Christ to cleanse a defiled and disfigured world.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

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Ministers this Service

The Rev. Les Jackson

The Rev. Barbara Gibson, *Deacon*

Elizabeth Hill, *Lector*

Kelli Glann, *Organist*

Twila Lockaby, Scott McCloud, Ruth Cooper, Maggie Snow, *Altar Guild*

Altar flowers given by Mary Upton

“In thanksgiving for the life and ministry of Jim Upton”