HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite II

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 12, 2020 ♦ 10:00 a.m.

While we're unable to be in church together, we gather today as the church, the Body of Christ.

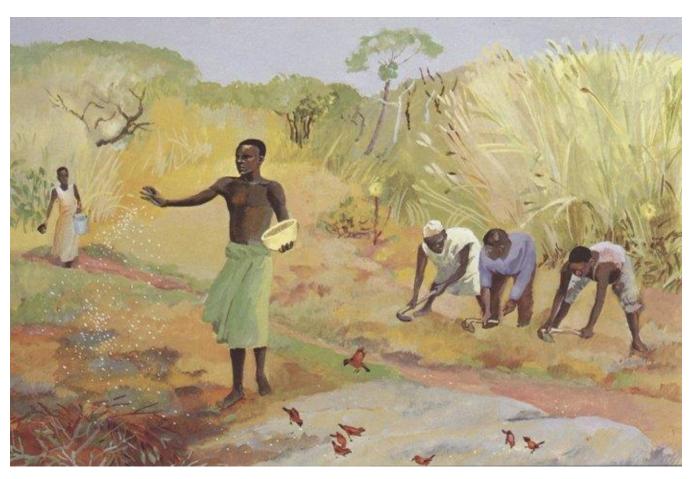
Wherever you are, we hope you'll participate fully in our worship through singing, praying, hearing the Good News of Jesus Christ, and receiving spiritual communion. May God richly bless you as you bless us!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

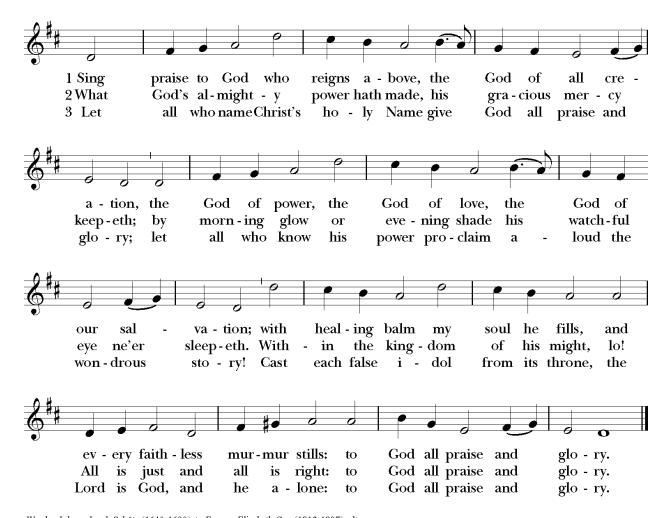
All stand as able at the sound of the tower bell.

HYMN (sung by all, next page) Sing praise to God who reigns above

(HYMNAL 408)



The Parable of the Sower Jesus Mafa, 1973



Words: Johann Jacob Schütz (1640-1690); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt.

Music: Mit Freuden zart, melody from "Une pastourelle gentille," 1529; adapt. Pseaumes cinquante de David, 1547, and Kirchengeseng darinnen die Heubtartickel des Christlichen Glaubens gefasset, 1566; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), after Heinrich Reimann (19th cent.)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.



Presiding Priest The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presiding Priest Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST READING (seated)

Genesis 25:19-34

READER: A Reading from the Book of Genesis

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger." When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence is marked by the ringing of a bell.

THE RESPONSE (remain seated – read responsively)

Psalm 119:105-112

- 105 Your word is a lantern to my feet * and a light upon my path.
- 106 I have sworn and am determined * to keep your righteous judgments.
- 107 I am deeply troubled; * preserve my life, O LORD, according to your word.
- 108 Accept, O LORD, the willing tribute of my lips, * and teach me your judgments.
- 109 My life is always in my hand, * yet I do not forget your law.
- 110 The wicked have set a trap for me, *
 but I have not strayed from your commandments.
- 111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; * truly, they are the joy of my heart.
- 112 I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes * **for ever and to the end.**

THE SECOND READING

Romans 8:1-11

READER: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law — indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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THE GOSPEL Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The Priest or Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went out and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.



Karen Haig

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Presiding Priest and People

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

In peace let us pray to the Lord saying "Loving God, hear our prayer."

Eternal God, in you we live and move and have our being. We thank you for the gift of our life in you. Empower and strengthen the witness of your church throughout the world, that true to its calling it may embody your reconciling love. Loving God, hear our prayer.

God our source of life, build up all members of the Body of Christ and make us your disciples. Strengthen our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Bishop Greg and all ministers of your Church. Loving God, hear our prayer.

God of justice and peace, you revealed true power in the servanthood of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray that those in power would exercise authority in wisdom and compassion to bring peace to the world. Awaken in all of us, especially those who govern, a thirst for justice that exemplifies your love of all people. We pray for all who suffer from the ravages of war, and those who perpetrate war. We pray for all who suffer from the systemic racism that permeates our country. Bring an end to all fighting, dignity for all people and healing to all broken relationships. Loving God, hear our prayer.

Creator God, you have blessed us with your glorious world. Instill in us a deep love of all creation and make us good stewards of that which you have given into our care. Loving God, hear our prayer.

God of compassion, you are the hope of the poor and the oppressed. Release the ones held captive by poverty, injustice, and any other oppression. Give us ears to hear their cries, and hearts to respond in love. Loving God, hear our prayer.

Gracious God, we give you thanks for this beloved community. Guide us. Give us grace to surrender ourselves to you; teach us your ways and open our hearts to you and to each other that we might build up your Body in our life together. We pray to you for the ones we love and for the ones we find hard to love. Loving God, hear our prayer.

God of comfort, soothe all who suffer isolation, illness, distress or grief, especially,those we now name. Let your suffering people awaken in us boundless compassion, and make overflowing vessels of your loving kindness. Loving God, hear our prayer.	

we now name. Receive them into your tender care and grant them everlasting blessedness. Loving God,

hear our prayer.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The presider adds a concluding Collect and the people respond, **AMEN**.

and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Silence may be kept.

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,

The Presiding Priest says

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

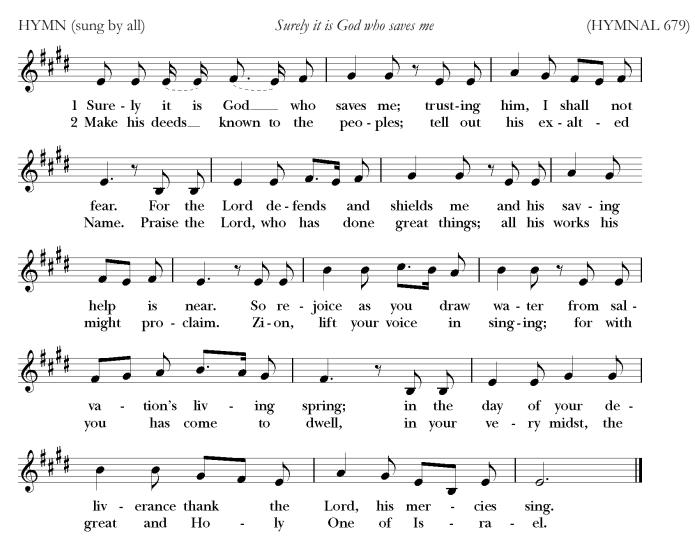
Presiding Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please remain seated. At the offertory sentence, an offering of money is collected.



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PRESENTATION ANTHEM

Presiding Priest All things come from you, O Lord,

People and of your own have we given you.

Presiding Priest The Lord be with you.

PeopleAnd also with you.Presiding PriestLift up your hearts.

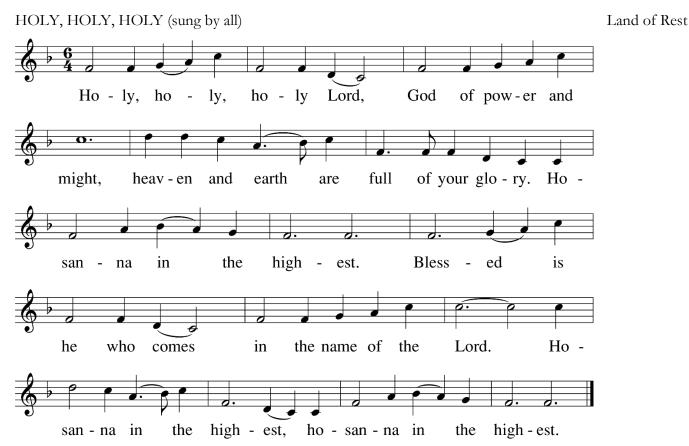
People We lift them to the Lord.

Presiding Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:



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Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Barnabas and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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,

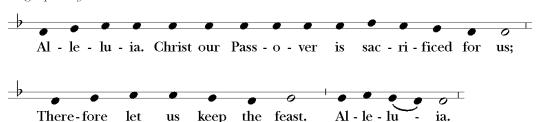
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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.

ACCLAMATION AFTER THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD Sung responsively

Ambrosian Chant



This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

Let us pray.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION The gifts of God for the People of God.

A COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

This is Jesus' table where all are welcome to share in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing (or not to receive wine), fold your arms across your chest as a sign.

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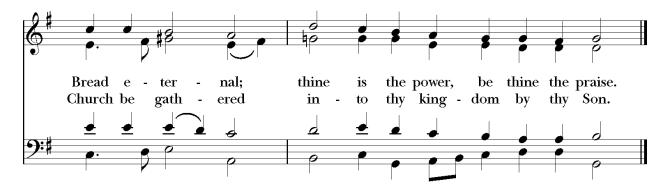
THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

HYMN (sung by all, next page) Father, we thank thee who hast planted (HYMNAL 302)





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DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

PROCESSION ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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