

CHRIST CHURCH

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A Celebration of the Holy Eucharist The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Proper 25

25 October 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

The Rt. Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe, Bishop
The Rev. Richard Klafehn, Interim Rector

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The service is taken from the red *Book of Common Prayer*, adapted for Expansive Language.

*All participants must wear a mask and use hand sanitizer upon entering and leaving.
Please place your offering into the basket in the narthex upon entering or leaving the sanctuary.*

Prelude: *Praeludium* Boyvin
Please observe a time of silence for reflection and preparation for worship during the prelude.

The Word of God

Opening Hymn: 680 *O God, our help in ages past* ST. ANNE
The people stand if able. Verses 1, 2, 4, & 6

Salutation

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

People: **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

Priest: 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.**

Glory to God (*Gloria in excelsis*)

All: 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

Priest: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: 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.

People: **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Deuteronomy 34:1-12 *The people sit.*

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

¹Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. ⁴The Lord said to him, ‘This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, “I will give it to your descendants”; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.’ ⁵Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord’s command. ⁶He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. ⁷Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. ⁸The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab for thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

⁹Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

¹⁰Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. ¹¹He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, ¹²and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

¹ Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

² Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.

³ You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."

⁴ For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.

⁵ You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

⁶ In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.

¹³ Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.

¹⁴ Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

¹⁵ Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.

¹⁶ Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.

¹⁷ May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Reader: A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians.

¹You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁸So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The people stand if able.

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: Matthew 22:34-46

³⁴ When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest? ³⁷He said to him, ‘ ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: ‘ ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.’

⁴¹ Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴²‘What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?’ They said to him, ‘The son of David.’ ⁴³He said to them, ‘How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

⁴⁴ ‘The Lord said to my Lord,

‘Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet’ ’?’

⁴⁵If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?’ ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Priest: The Gospel of our Savior.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon: The Rev. Richard Klafehn *The people sit.*

The Nicene Creed *The people stand if able.*

All: 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 (Form III)

Almighty God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest; **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *Silence*

Concluding Collect by Priest:

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession *The people may stand or kneel.*

Priest: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People: 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 our Savior 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.

Absolution

Priest: 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 people stand if able.*

Priest: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Remain in place for the passing of peace. Offer only safe touch-free greetings from a distance, such as bows, waves, or signs of love and peace.

Announcements / Stewardship “Brief but Spectacular Moment” *The people sit.*

The Holy Communion

If you are led by your faith and your conscience to receive the Holy Eucharist, you are welcome. If you are not baptized, you are invited to speak with the priest about baptism. Please inform an usher if you need to have the Sacrament brought to you in the pew. Please inform the priest if you need a gluten free wafer.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B *The people stand if able.*

Priest: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth ...

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:

Holy, Holy, Holy (*Sanctus*)

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

The Priest continues The people may stand or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 Jesus 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, according to his command, O Father,

Priest and People

We remember Christ's death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;

The Priest continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **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.

The Communion of the People

During communion all remain masked. Use hand sanitizer immediately before and after receiving Communion. Follow the direction of the ushers and the arrows on the floor, and approach the bottom of the front steps one at a time, keeping 6 feet physical distance from one another. Hold out your hands to receive the wafer and then return to your seat before removing your mask briefly to consume the Host. If you would prefer a blessing instead of Communion, please cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Instrumental: *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service* arr. Barnhouse III

Post Communion Prayer *The people may stand or kneel.*

All: Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.

The Blessing and Dismissal

Priest: The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn: 551 *Rise up, ye saints of God!*

FESTAL SONG

Postlude:

Recessional

Asper

The people sit.

Remain seated, and exit as directed, so social distancing is maintained.

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In-person gatherings such as coffee hours and fellowship are not allowed yet at this time.

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We hope that you feel welcome at Christ Church and will return to visit or worship with us in the future.