

## Sunday, Aug 9, 2020 - 10th Sunday after Pentecost

The Liturgy is from Setting 8, page 184, in the hymnal.

Presiding Minister  
Assisting Minister

Reverend Giuseppe Mattei  
Deacon Charlotte Downing

PRELUDE

*Here I Am, Lord*

Hayes

### THE GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*A moment of silence for self-reflection.*

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from You and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to You, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve You in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

*Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*

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### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

### KYRIE ELEISON

### CANTICLE OF PRAISE

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God our Defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

### THE WORD

God speaks to us in scripture readings, preaching, and song.

## A READING FROM THE FIRST BOOK OF KINGS

19:9-18

Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

**Psalm 85:8-13**  
Soloist: Kim Mehan-Conklin

<sup>8</sup>I will listen to what the LORD | God is saying;  
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their | hearts to you.  
<sup>9</sup>**Truly, your salvation is very near to | those who fear you,**  
**that your glory may dwell | in our land.**  
<sup>10</sup>Steadfast love and faithfulness have | met together;  
righteousness and peace have | kissed each other.  
<sup>11</sup>**Faithfulness shall spring up | from the earth,**  
**and righteousness shall look | down from heaven.**  
<sup>12</sup>The LORD will indeed | grant prosperity,  
and our land will | yield its increase.  
<sup>13</sup>**Righteousness shall go be- | fore the LORD**  
**and shall prepare for | God a pathway.**

## A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS

10:5-15

Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

The holy gospel according to Matthew.  
**Glory to You, O Lord.**

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## SERMON

*The Oops Factor*

Rev. Dr. Carlan Helgeson

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

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## APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

After each petition: Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to You; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

<h3><b>THE MEAL</b></h3>
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God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.
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### **OFFERING**

#### **OFFERING SONG**

*We Are The Body of Christ*

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful, You bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

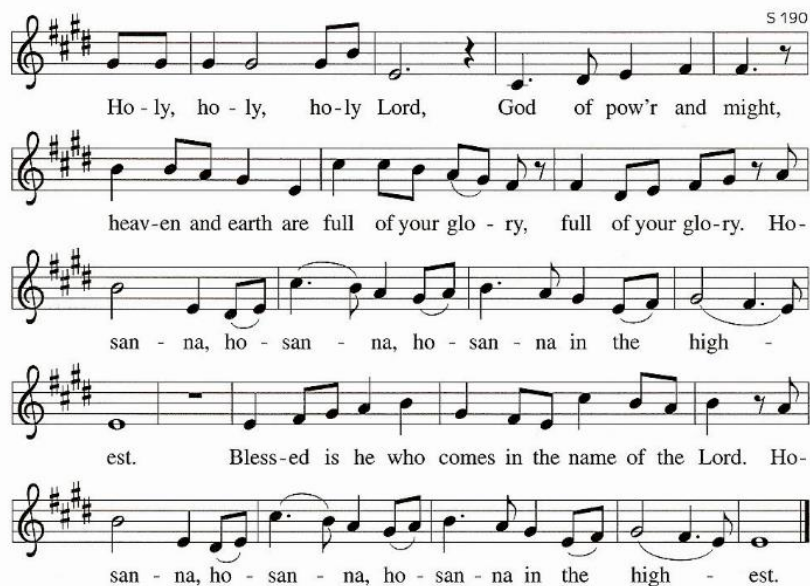
### **DIALOGUE AND PREFACE**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Form II, page 108

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

*Lamb of God*

### TABLE BLESSING

*Observe a moment of silence.*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in this meal You have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

<p><b>THE SENDING</b> <b>God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.</b></p>
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**BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

**SENDING SONG**

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

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**SENDING**

People of Nativity, what is our mission?

**With the birth of Jesus in our hearts we carry light and love to the world.**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer*

Smith

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