

ST. THOMAS' PARISH

EPISCOPAL CHURCH • DUPONT CIRCLE

August 5, 2018

Prelude

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Neander/Hamlin

Hymn 522

“Blest inhabitant of Zion”

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

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

Celebrant: 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.**

Hymn of Praise

“*Benedictus es Domine*”

Rutter

1. Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord
God of all peo - ple; _____ you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. _____ 2. Glo - ry to you _____
_ for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; _____ we will
praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____



3. Glo - ry to you _____ in the splen - dor of your



tem - ple; _____ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to



you. _____ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -

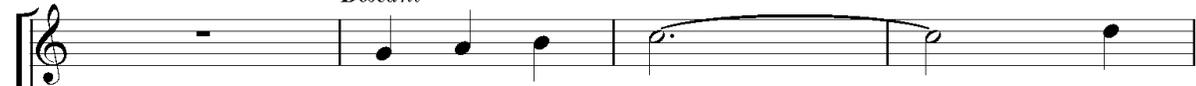


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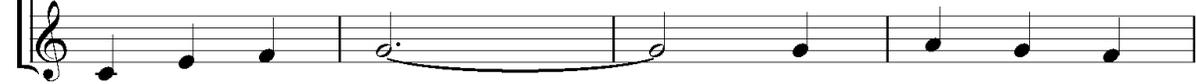


high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

Descant



5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be -



5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be - hold - ing the



hold - ing the depths; _____ in the high vault of



depths; _____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, _____
 you. _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____ Fa - ther,
 _____ Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and
 high-ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! _____
 high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

The Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
 Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: And with you.

LET YOUR CONTINUAL MERCY, O Lord, cleanse and defend your church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reading Exodus 16:2-4,9-15

THE WHOLE CONGREGATION OF THE ISRAELITES COMPLAINED against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.' "And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning, you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.' "

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

Lector: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God

Hymn

✠ *Sung before and after the Gospel*

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

The Gospel John 6:24-35

Celebrant: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

THE NEXT DAY, WHEN THE PEOPLE WHO REMAINED AFTER THE FEEDING of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So, they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave

them bread from heaven to eat.” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you Lord Christ

The Sermon

The Reverend Alex Dyer

Nicene Creed

Enriching our Worship

✠ *Standing*

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 and the Son,
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.

The Nicene Creed is likely the most universally accepted and recognized statements of the Christian faith and was adopted in 325 CE. It has been modified for more inclusive language.

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

Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Let us turn in prayer to God who is near to those who call and whose bounty feeds all, saying, Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Church: especially for Michael our Presiding as he recovers from surgery, Mariann our bishop, Gene our bishop in residence, Alex our Priest in Charge, that in all our ministries we may be the instrument by which the bread of life is broken for those who hunger, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For this Parish, that we may not be overcome with fear or anxiety; but, respond in gratitude for the abundant ways in which God blesses and sustains us, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who work to protect those who are vulnerable and who preserve the bonds of peace between nations, in communities, and in families, that all God's people may live in safety and security, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who bring food to our tables each day, for all those traveling and on vacation, and for those whose lives are threatened by storms, floods and wildfires, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who hunger for freedom, those caught in human trafficking, those with addictions to alcohol, drugs, or sex, and for all those in need of our prayers. We pray will work with God to strengthen them and heal them, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who have died, remembering especially Lauren Geoghegan, who was killed in an apparent terrorist attack in Tajikistan, and Louise Piazza. We pray all the faithful departed may know the fullness of God's love, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer, with blessed Thomas, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. **To you, O Lord our God.**

Celebrant: God of glory, hear the prayers we offer this day, fill us with the love of Christ and stir us by his own example, that we may always be ready to offer the bread of our lives and share it generously with others, that every hunger of body and spirit may be satisfied. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you. All: **And with you.**

✠ *The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.*

Invitation and Offertory Sentence

✠ *An offering is collect to support sharing God's love in the world and supporting God's mission.*

Offertory Anthem

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Hillman/Partain

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

And renew a right spirit within me.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

And renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from the presence O Lord

And take not thou Holy Spirit from me

Restore on to me the joy of life's salvation

And renew a right spirit within me

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

And renew a right spirit within me.

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The Great Thanksgiving



We invite all those who seek God and a deeper life in Christ to receive the sacrament of Holy Eucharist.

To receive communion, take the bread in the palm of your hand.

Eat the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you.

If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine but would like a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms with your hands on your shoulders and a priest will provide a blessing.



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 our thanks and praise.**

IT IS RIGHT, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Fraction Anthem

✠ *The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and after a moment of silence, all sing*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

The first line of musical notation consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in the key of D major. The treble staff contains a vocal melody with lyrics underneath. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

The second line of musical notation follows the same format as the first, with a treble clef staff for the vocal melody and a bass clef staff for the accompaniment. The lyrics are aligned with the notes in the treble staff.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:
 give us your peace, give us your peace.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

✦ Communion is distributed at a station at the foot of the steps to the altar. Enter via the center aisle and return via the side aisles.

Hymn 490

“I want to walk as a child of the light”

✦ Sung by all during communion

Prayer after Communion

✦ Said by all, standing

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.

Blessing

Hymn 344

“Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing”

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

“Beautiful City”

Schwartz

✦ Please exit at the beginning of the postlude.



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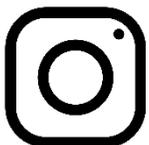
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