



the  
**Church of  
Our Redeemer**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**

*November 22, 2020*

**Thank you for participating in our virtual worship. Tune in from either our**

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*You may wish to have candles ready to light, and a cross to place in your home worship area.*

*Please feel free to join in by saying the words in bold out loud at home.*

*We are glad to be worshipping with you today.*

**Prelude**

*Mirrie It is*

Michael Webb, Guitar and Mandolin

English, 13th c.

**Welcome**

**Candle-lighting**

*Acolyte lights the candles and invites worshippers to do the same at home.*

**Liturgy of the Word**

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

**Opening Hymn** *All Praise to Thee, v. 1-3*

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*Descant*

5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,  
 2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;  
 3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,  
 4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou  
 5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

Je - sus Christ is Lord;

1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,  
 2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought;  
 3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,  
 4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,  
 5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;

and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine.  
 2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.  
 3 hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry.  
 4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow.  
 5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

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## Opening Sentences

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

## Collect for Purity

*All* **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.**

**Praise Hymn** *You are Salt for the Earth* Haugan  
Atrium Singers - Recorded February 2013



*You Are Salt For The Earth, Oh People,  
Salt For The Reign Of God!  
Share The Flavor Of Life, Oh People:  
Life In The City Of God!*

Refrain:  
*Bring Forth the Reign of Mercy,  
Bring Forth the Reign of Peace.  
Bring Forth the Reign of Justice,  
Bring Forth the City of God!*

***Congregation & Atrium: repeat refrain***

*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Presider* Let us pray.

**Collect of the Day** Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*Please be seated.*

**Reading**

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 78:1-7a**

Book of Common Prayer, p. 725

*Please say the Psalm in unison with the lay reader.*

- 1 Hear my teaching, O my people; \*  
    incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable; \*  
    I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
- 3 That which we have heard and known,  
    and what our forefathers have told us, \*  
    we will not hide from their children.
- 4 We will recount to generations to come  
    the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, \*  
    and the wonderful works he has done.
- 5 He gave his decrees to Jacob  
    and established a law for Israel, \*  
    which he commanded them to teach their children;
- 6 That the generations to come might know,  
    and the children yet unborn; \*  
    that they in their turn might tell it to their children;
- 7 So that they might put their trust in God, \*  
    and not forget the deeds of God,  
    but keep his commandments;

**Living Epistle**

**Joanne Frustaci**

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

**Gospel Hymn**

*Sing Ye Faithful, Sing with Gladness, v. 1-4*

Blue Hymnal 492



1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,  
2 Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him - self to  
3 So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -  
4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's



sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior  
Beth - lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,  
kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,  
throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,



let his house res - ound a - gain; him let all your  
bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the  
Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the  
till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -



mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.  
gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.  
full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.  
newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to...  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

Rev. Frank Fornaro

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

## Nicene Creed

Book of Common Prayer, p. 358

**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.**

*Leader* In peace, we pray to you, O God. For all people in their daily life and work;  
*People* **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

*Leader* For this community, the nation, and the world;  
*People* **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**  
*Leader* For the just and proper use of your creation;  
*People* **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

*Leader* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
*People* **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**  
*Leader* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
*People* **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

*Leader* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for Dorothy, Sarah, Dale, Aura, Lauren, Mary, Carolyn, Joan, John, Tom, Jack, June, Darryll; Richard, Martin, Lynette, Thien, Marie, Diane, Nguyen, Rose, Phyllis, Janet, Dale, Nancy, the Doan Family, John, and Joan. Hear us Lord;  
*People* **For your mercy is great.**

*Leader* We thank you, God, for all the blessings of this life. Please add your own thanksgivings. We will exalt you, O God our King;  
*People* **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

*Leader* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, especially for John, Avis, Richie, Gerry, Barbara, John, Jim, Robert, John, Emily, Tammy, David, Ronald, and Philip. Please add your own prayers. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
*People* **Who put their trust in you.**

### **A Stewardship Prayer**

Gracious God, abundant are the blessings you have freely and joyously given us. We are grateful for the opportunities you provide for living generous and compassionate lives of love, prayer, and service. Help us now and always to offer our gifts of time, talent, and treasure freely and joyously to you, O God. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Adapted from a prayer by The Rev. Bill Hibbert, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Rapid City, South Dakota*

***Collect for the Parish, Leader and People together:***

**Loving God, who calls us to restore unity and justice, your son Jesus teaches us that love brings us together in a community where all are welcome. Help us deepen our faith and relationships so that we can grow our community to make a difference within and beyond ourselves, through Jesus Christ Our Redeemer. Amen.**

*Presider adds concluding collect.*

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
*Please kneel in body or in spirit and join in a moment of silent contemplation.*

**All** 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 neighbor 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.

*Presider* 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.

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

**The Peace**

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* And also with you.

**Holy Eucharist**

**Offertory Sentence**

*Presider* With grateful hearts, let us give what we have. With joyful hope, let us give for what can be.  
*Your financial offering can be shared online at: <https://www.our-redeemer.net/stewardship-2/>*

**Musical Offering**

*Sing A New Song to the Lord*  
 Redeemer Adult Choir, February 2016

N. Sleeth



*Join to rejoice, lift up your voice, sing a new song to the Lord  
 Harmonies fair, filling the air, sing a new song to the Lord  
 Let one and all answer the call, music and melody raise,  
 God to adore forevermore with joyful anthems of praise*

*Come chant with delight canticles bright to God almighty  
 Sing songs of good cheer echoing clear to God the Lord  
 Now instruments bring trumpet and string this day of days  
 The Lord God to adore forevermore with songs of praise*

*In every land begin the song, to every land the strains belong  
 In cheerful sound all voices raise and fill the world with loudest praise*

*Canticles bright sing with delight, sing a new song to the Lord*



*Words of good cheer echoing clear, sing a new song to the Lord*

*Instruments bring, trumpet and string, music and melody raise  
God to adore forevermore, with joyful anthems of praise*

### **Blessing of the Gifts**

*We bless and offer to God all the gifts that have been shared.*

**All**            **All things come from you, O Lord.  
Of your own have we given you.**

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

**Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)**

Book of Common Prayer, p. 361

*Presider*        The Lord be with you.

*People*           **And also with you.**

*Presider*        Lift up your hearts.

*People*           **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider*        Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*           **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Presider*        It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, 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 say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

**All:**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Presider*        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."

*Presider*        Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

*Presider* 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 for ever.

*All* Amen.

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

*All* **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.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

#### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

*All* In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is able to be celebrated, and especially with all those in this Diocese and in the Redeemer community who, for the sake of health and wholeness, cannot gather at this time, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, Lord Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

#### **Announcements**

**Closing Hymn** *Now Thank We All Our God, V.1-3*

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1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voice,  
 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us!  
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,

who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;  
 With ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;  
 the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,

who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way  
 and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
 eternal, Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;

with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.  
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.  
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be, evermore.

## Blessing

*Presider* God the Creator, who has given to Jesus the name above every name,  
Strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord.

*People* **Amen**

*Presider* God the Redeemer, who is our greatest high priest passed into the heavens,  
plead for you at the right hand of God.

*People* **Amen**

*Presider* God the Holy Spirit, who pours out abundant gifts upon the Church,  
make you faithful servants of Christ our Ruler.

*People* **Amen**

*Presider* And the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Holy Spirit be with  
you today and always. **AMEN.**

## Dismissal

*Acolyte* Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.

*Acolyte extinguishes candles.*

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

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