



Apostles Anglican Church

The Holy Eucharist

The Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost

October 31, 2021

10:55am

Liturgy for Contemporary Service
The Anglican Church in North America

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Opening Songs

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Chorus

*We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things, we will say together
We will feast and weep no more*

*We will not be burned by the fire
He is the LORD our God
We are not consumed, by the flood*

Chorus

*In the dark of night, before the dawn
My soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength*

Chorus

*Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the Faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom*

Chorus

Revelation Song

*Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy, holy is He
Sing a new song to Him who sits on
Heaven's mercy seat (Repeat)*

Chorus

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings
You are my everything and I will adore You*

*Clothed in rainbows of living color
Flashes of lighting rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor strength and glory and power be
To You the only wise King*

Chorus

*Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder
At the mention of Your name
Jesus Your name is power, breath and living water
Such a marvelous mystery*

Chorus (2x)

*Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder
At the mention of Your name*

Minister: Blessed be God: The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
People: **And Blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**
Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with your spirit.**
Minister: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, as we live among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons (*congregation seated*)

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

“Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the LORD your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it,² that you may fear the LORD your God, you and your son and your son's son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long.³ Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.⁴ “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.⁵ You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.⁶ And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart.⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.⁸ You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes.⁹ You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

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

Psalm 119:1-16

¹ Blessed are those who are undefiled in their ways,*
and walk in the law of the LORD.

² Blessed are those who keep his testimonies,*
and seek him with their whole heart,

- ³ Even those who do no wickedness*
and perfectly walk in his ways.
- ⁴ You have ordered your precepts *
that we should diligently keep them.
- ⁵ O that my ways were made so direct *
that I might keep your statutes!
- ⁶ Then would I not be put to shame *
while I give heed unto all your commandments.
- ⁷ I will thank you with an upright heart,*
when I have learned your righteous judgments.
- ⁸ I will keep your statutes; *
O do not forsake me utterly.
- ⁹ How shall a young man cleanse his way? *
By ruling himself according to your word.
- ¹⁰ With my whole heart I have sought you; *
O let me not go astray from your commandments.
- ¹¹ Your words have I hidden within my heart, *
that I may not sin against you.
- ¹² Blessed are you, O LORD; *
teach me your statutes.
- ¹³ With my lips have I been telling *
of all the judgments of your mouth.
- ¹⁴ I have had greater delight in the way of your testimonies *
than in all manner of riches.
- ¹⁵ I will meditate on your commandments, *
and have respect for all your ways.

¹⁶My delight will be in your statutes,*
and I will not forget your word.

All: *Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.*

Hebrews 7:23-28

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, ²⁴ but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵ Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. ²⁶ For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷ He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself. ²⁸ For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Gospel *(please stand)*

Speak O Lord Verse 1

*Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory*

Minister: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.*

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Mark 12:28-34

And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, "Which commandment is the most important of all?"²⁹ Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.'³⁰ And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'³¹ The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."³² And the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher. You have truly said that he is one, and there is no other besides him."³³ And to love him with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices."³⁴ And when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And after that no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Speak O Lord Verse 2

*Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory*

Sermon

The Nicene Creed (congregation stand)

***We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and 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,
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 (*congregation standing or kneeling*)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, the people saying, "***hear our prayer.***"

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: ***Hear our prayer.***

For Foley, our Archbishop, Mark, our Bishop and for all the clergy and people of our diocese and congregation.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service, especially Joe, our President, Andy, our Governor, and Linda, our Mayor.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader: Lord in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Confession of Sin and Declaration of Forgiveness

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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace (*congregation stand*)

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: ***And with your spirit.***

Celebrant: Let us greet one another and share the Peace of Christ.

Offering

The Doxology (*congregation stand*)

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.***

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

The Sanctus

***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.***

The Prayer of Consecration

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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 forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

*Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name.
Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And 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.*

The Fraction (The Breaking of the Bread)

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!*

The Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. **Amen.**

Prayer of Christian Discipleship *(congregation kneeling)*

Heavenly Father,

***we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious body and blood***

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

***that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.***

***And now Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.***

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing *(congregation kneeling)*

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Song

His Mercy Is More

Chorus

*Praise the Lord
His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness
New every morn'*

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

*What love could remember, no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

*What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

Chorus

*What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

Chorus (2x)

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Dismissal

Minister: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!***

Fall Fire Pit Party!

November 12th 5:30pm
in the church parking lot

- Hotdogs & s'mores
- Bring chairs and blankets!**

