

# ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 24, 2021 † 9:30AM

PRELUDE

*Canzonetta*, Alfredo d'Ambrosia

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN



*Give praise and glory unto God*, Hymn 375

OPENING ACCLAMATION



*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Presider* 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.**

*Choir* 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 

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider* Let us pray.

*Presider* 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. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS 

THE FIRST LESSON 

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

*Lector* A Reading from the book of Job.

Job answered the LORD:

“I know that you can do all things,  
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

‘Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?’

Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,  
 things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.  
 ‘Hear, and I will speak;  
 I will question you, and you declare to me.’  
 I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,  
 but now my eye sees you;  
 therefore I despise myself,  
 and repent in dust and ashes.”

And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Kerenhappuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job’s daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children’s children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

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

**THE RESPONSE** 

Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22)

*Antiphon*

The musical notation consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The melody is written on the treble staff, and the bass line is on the bass staff. The lyrics are: Taste and see that the LORD is good. There are horizontal lines under 'LORD' and 'is' to indicate a longer note value.

<sup>1</sup> I will bless the LORD at all times; \*  
 his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

<sup>2</sup> I will glory in the LORD; \*  
 let the humble hear and rejoice.

*Antiphon*

<sup>3</sup> Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; \*  
let us exalt his Name together.

<sup>4</sup> I sought the LORD, and he answered me \*  
and delivered me out of all my terror.

*Antiphon*

<sup>5</sup> Look upon him and be radiant, \*  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

<sup>6</sup> I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me \*  
and saved me from all my troubles.

*Antiphon*

<sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, \*  
and he will deliver them.

<sup>8</sup> Taste and see that the LORD is good; \*  
happy are they who trust in him!

*Antiphon*

<sup>19</sup> [Many are the troubles of the righteous, \*  
but the LORD will deliver him out of them all.

<sup>20</sup> He will keep safe all his bones; \*  
not one of them shall be broken.

*Antiphon*

<sup>21</sup> Evil shall slay the wicked, \*  
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

<sup>22</sup> The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, \*  
and none will be punished who trust in him.]

*Antiphon*



*Lector* A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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



Gracious Spirit, give your servants joy to set sin's captives free, hope to heal the broken hearted, peace to share love's liberty. Through us bring your balm of gladness to the wounded and oppressed; help us claim and show God's favor as a people called and blessed.

Triune God, eternal Being, never ending, unbegun, boundless grace and perfect justice, righteous and forgiving One: so enfold us in your mercy that our wills and your unite; through us may the world behold you, find your love, your truth, your light.

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

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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



*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:  
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.

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

*Intercessor* Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;  
*People* ***That we all may be one.***

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

*Silence*

*Intercessor* God of light and life, you open the eyes of the blind and help the whole world to see. Dispel the darkness of fear and doubt and be our light of love and hope. Help us to see you and follow you, now in this mortal life, and in the ages of immortality ever after.

*Intercessor* God of light and life, you gave Bartimaeus back his sight and you continue to heal those who cry out to you. We pray for an end to the COVID-19 pandemic. Comfort those who have suffered and lost, strengthen the medical community that continues to serve, and restore all those of any affliction who look to you for wholeness and health.

*Intercessor* God of light and life, you restored Job to life and prosperity. We give you thanks for the rain that has come and lessened the danger of fire. May it restore our land to health and freshness, and begin to bring an end to the threat of drought. We pray that this is but the first of much rain and snow to fall in the coming season to make our world green again.

*Intercessor* God of light and life, you have given us a great high priest who offered himself upon the cross. Renew the life and work of our church, that we too may offer ourselves for the good of our community and the glory of God.

*Silence*

*Presider* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept*

*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 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.**

*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.*

## THE PEACE

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

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

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### A BIRTHDAY PRAYER

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Watch over thy child, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal, arr. Mark Hayes*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**        *Remain standing, as able*

*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 everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*The Presider adds a proper preface...*

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:

*Presider and People say:*

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**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.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People:*

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

*The Presider continues*

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. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*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.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

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*Cantors* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*The Presider says the following Invitation*

*Presider* 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.

*Those who have obtained pre-consecrated sacrament for Shared Home Communion are invited to receive at this time.*

*Those who cannot receive at home are invited to pray the following prayer:*

## PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

St. Alphonsus Liguori

**My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

## THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

## COMMUNION HYMN

Organ Offertory

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**    

*Presider*    Let us pray.

*All*    **Almighty and everliving God,  
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 for ever. Amen.**

**THE FINAL BLESSING**    

*Presider*    May 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 HYMN**    

*Joyful, Joyful, we adore thee, Hymn 376*

**THE DISMISSAL**    

*Presider*    Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**     *Praise Him! Praise Him!* Ruth Marsden on theme by C. G. Allen

# Every Perfect Gift



## The Gift of Faith

Our often fast-paced, frenetic lives get in the way of the north stars that should be guiding us. And trajectories change when, in the blink of an eye, we are blindsided.

My family's blindside happened four years ago. On a Tuesday morning before work, my sister-in-law Jan was on a walk with the kid's five-month-old puppy Peter Paul. A young man speeding hit them head-on, killing them instantly.

Jan was married to my twin brother Jonathan, and they have twelve children, including ten adopted from Texas, Guatemala, Mexico, Russia, China, and Ethiopia. She was also a beloved breast cancer physician with a practice that served the underserved.

Never afraid to love well, Jan was confident in her faith and marriage, leading her and Jonathan to adopt several older children with traumatic histories. They gave these children second chances believing they could thrive in a loving Christian family and a supportive community.

Jan's ministry on earth informed our belief that gratitude increases with faith. She saw with her heart.

In today's reading, we find Bartimeus, a blind beggar with a deep faith in God living on society's margins. He cries out to Jesus as he's leaving Jericho, "Son of David, have mercy on me." Jesus asks, "what do you want from me?" and Bartimeus says, "Heal Me." Jesus heals him and says, "Go, your faith has made you well."

I find a parallel between Bartimeus' story and Jan's life. Bartimeus' miraculous healing happened because of his faith. He saw with his heart. And Jan, relying on her faith to help her overcome obstacles, inspired her family, friends, and patients to do the same."

Thomas Merton said, "Gratitude is the heart of the Christian life." May our faith continue to increase our gratitude so we, in turn, can live with seeing hearts. | [tens.org](https://www.tens.org)

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### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

What blindside moments have you experienced in which your faith helped you pull through?



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