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# The 20th Sunday after Pentecost

## Holy Eucharist with the Prayer for Spiritual Communion

October 18th, 2020  
Ten o'clock in the morning

Prelude      To Realms of Glory      *Samuel Scheidt*

## The Word of God

### The Opening Acclamation

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

### The Collect for Purity

*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 690

CWM RHONDDA

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing  
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;  
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar  
 fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,  
 lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,  
 land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -  
 strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and  
 songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, feed me now and ev - er - more.  
 shield, be thou still my strength and shield.  
 thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

## The Collect for the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

## Lesson from Hebrew Scriptures Exodus 33:12-23

***The Lector says*** A reading from the Book of Exodus

Moses said to the Lord, “See, you have said to me, ‘Bring up this people’; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.’ Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” He said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” And he said to him, “If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.” The Lord said to Moses, “I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.” Moses said, “Show me your glory, I pray.” And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The Lord’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But,” he said, “you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.” And the Lord continued, “See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.”

***The Lector says*** The word of the Lord.

***The People respond*** Thanks be to God.

## The Epistle 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

***The Lector says*** A reading from Paul’s first letter to the Thessalonians.

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and

Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

*The Lector says* The word of the Lord. *The People respond* **Thanks be to God.**

*The following Canticle is sung by the choir*

**Canticle** From the Dawning of Creation *Wonder Love and Praise, #748*

1From the dawning of creation,  
God was present in the Word.  
And the Word was God eternal,  
source of all that came to be.  
Jesus is that Word eternal.  
Jesus is the Word of life.

2Light appeared in deepest darkness.  
Night was ended, morning dawned.  
And that light is ever burning,  
brightness never overcome.  
Jesus is that Light eternal.  
Jesus is the Word of life.

3Human eyes have seen God's glory;  
human hands have touched God's own.  
In our likeness here among us,  
dwells the Word of God made flesh.  
Jesus is that Word incarnate.  
Jesus is the Word of life.

**The Gospel** Matthew 22:15-22

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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

## The Sermon

The Rev. Jenifer M. Chatfield, *Rector*

*All say together*

## The Nicene Creed

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 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.  
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

Let us bend our hearts toward God.

*Written by The Rev. Mark Dawson, Deacon*

Gracious God, who calls us to be your Presence on earth, help us stay the course, that we may bring about that Reign of God you have entrusted us to accomplish.

***Gracious God, give us purpose.***

Loving God, descend on those in positions of power, and fill them with your spirit of justice and mercy, so that they are moved to deliver justice and mercy to all they serve.

***Loving God, give us courage.***

Merciful God, the earth looks to us to be its steward, so give us the commitment and will to ensure that our children inherit a healthy planet on which they can thrive.

***Merciful God, give us tenderness.***

Gracious God, look over all those on the front lines of fighting this global pandemic; keep the care-givers safe; give wisdom to the researchers and scientists; heal the sick.

***Gracious God, give us presence.***

Loving God, please meet us at the Table, around which you gather all who seek to know you better, and greet us there with your most Blessed Sacrament.

***Loving God, give us gratitude.***

Merciful God, who bends toward us when we grieve and when we bless, draw near to those we name before you and bring them what they need, which only you know [*petitions are offered*].

***Merciful God, give us hope.***

***The Celebrant concludes with a collect***

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 for ever. *Amen.*

## **The Confession**

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

**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.**

***The Priest says***

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** *All stand and greet each other in the name of Christ.*

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

## Announcements

### Offertory Sentence

With grateful hearts, let us give what we have. With joyful hope, let us give for what can be.

# The Holy Communion

### The Great Thanksgiving

*Prayer A  
Book of Common Prayer*

*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.**

*Celebrant* 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, 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 all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

**SANCTUS S-130**

**SCHUBERT**

*The Celebrant continues*

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant 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,

*People and Celebrant*

**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 Fraction**

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

*Celebrant* The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that if one is unable to actually consume the consecrated bread and wine due to extreme sickness or disability, the desire is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion (BCP, p. 457). When being present at a celebration of the Eucharist is absolutely impossible, this act of prayer and meditation can provide the means by which you can associate yourself with the Eucharistic Action and open yourself to God's grace and blessing.

*Celebrant* Let us pray together,  
**Jesus, I believe that you are  
truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.  
I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least  
spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come,  
I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you;  
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

### **Anthem**

### **An Offering**

*Dan Forrest*

O Christ, Who spared not any cost, nor any grace withheld.  
But poured forth Your redeeming blood in love unparalleled.  
What would You have me offer, Lord? What must I count as loss  
That I may taste the fellowship that brings me near the cross.

Why should I cling to gifts You give? Why grasp in foolish pride  
What You who gave Yourself for me now bid me lay aside?  
To know You is my highest gain, worth any sacrifice.  
A treasure worthy to possess at any earthly price.

Yet if behind my open hands, my heart shrinks from the cost,  
Teach me that nothing offered You is ever truly lost.  
A hundredfold reward awaits in one glimpse of Your face,

My sacrifice forgotten in the riches of Your grace.

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*   **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with your spiritual presence through the 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**

#### **The Dismissal**

*Deacon*      Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.  
*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**      Sortie      *Archangelo Corelli*

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#### **Participants in Today's Service**

The Rev. Jenifer M. Chatfield, *Celebrant & Preacher*  
The Rev. Canon Judith Heffron, *Assisting Priest*  
The Rev. Mark Dawson, *Deacon*

The Rev. Heather Blackstone UCC, *Director of Youth Ministry*  
Robert Hovencamp, *Organist/Choir Master*

**Members of the St. Edmund's Choir**

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