

HOLY EUCHARIST

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH AUGUST 6, 2023 | 10:00 AM

WELCOME!

As followers of Christ, we strive to be an inclusive and affirming congregation. Everyone is welcome to participate fully in our community life, regardless of race or ethnicity, national origin, citizenship, age, political views, education, physical ability, economic or employment situation, relationship status, gender expression, sexual orientation, or any other markers of identity people sometimes use to create division. All are invited to receive Holy Communion.

IF YOU ARE NEW TO ST. PAUL'S

- Everything you need for this service is included in this bulletin.
- Parts read aloud by the congregation are in **bold text**.
- Clergy are available for pastoral care and counsel by telephone, Zoom conference, or in person. Please visit our
 website at www.stpaulsoregon.org to learn more and to connect with our clergy and staff.

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CHILDREN

Children are most welcome! The Prayground is open at the back of the sanctuary for anyone who may need extra space or activities during the service. St. Margaret's room (109) is located down the main hallway and offers a child-sized restroom, changing table station, and a room with privacy. There are speakers available in that room so that you may still listen to the service. Our Little Wonders (families with infants-preschoolers) and Godly Play (K-5th) meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 10:00am. Check our website for more information or contact Amy Goerger, Coordinator of Children's Ministries.

COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Covid 19 is a highly infectious viral disease. In witness to the Gospel of love we are committed to supporting the health and wellbeing of everyone in our church community, especially the most vulnerable among us.

You will need to make your own decision on wearing a mask at church.

As you decide whether to wear a mask or not there are a number of things to consider:

- If you wish to continue to wear a mask you are encouraged to do so. We will strive not to create any stigma about wearing or not wearing a mask
- If you are feel unwell, we strongly recommend that you stay home and refrain from coming to church
- If you belong to a group or ministry that wants to continue to wear masks at meetings, again you are welcome to create your own norms for your group or ministry
- Please continue to use the hand sanitizer provided and practice frequent hand washing

In return the church will strive to support the health and wellbeing of all of us by:

- Providing information about the spread and infection rates of covid so that you will be able to make your decision whether to come to church or not based on the latest data
- For those who are unable to come to church for any reason we have a team of Eucharistic Visitors who would be delighted to bring Holy Communion to you at home
- We will continue to livestream our 10.00 am Sunday Eucharist
- We are have installed a new ionized 'I-Wave' air filtration system for the heating/air circulation for all the places in the building that have air ducts, which includes the main sanctuary and parish hall

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PRELUDE

PRELUDE IN D-FLAT MAJOR; OPUS 28, #15

FREDERIC CHOPIN



OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

The Celebrant and congregation pray the Collect for Purity

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.



THE COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

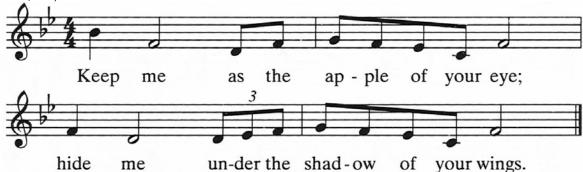
Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON: GENESIS 32:22-31

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People Thanks be to God.

(All sing the refrain)



- I. Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord: give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
- 2. Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice. (**Refrain**)
- 3. Weigh my heart, summon me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
- 4. My footsteps hold fast to the way of your law. in your paths my feet shall not stumble. (**Refrain**)
- 5. I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words.
- 6. Show me your marvelous loving kindness,
 O savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
 from those who rise up against them. (Refrain)
- 7. Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings,
- 8. At your vindication I shall see your face; when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness. (Refrain)

THE LESSON: ROMANS 9:1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

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GOSPEL: MATTHEW 14:13-21

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel, as you are able.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Q&A SERMON Fr. SIMON

A time for quiet reflection follows the sermon.

The People stand

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 was made man.

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 People stand or kneel

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Who can separate us from the love of God? What can separate us from the love of Christ? Let our hearts now respond to such overwhelming love as we pray together in the Spirit, saying: Hear us, Lord.

That God will renew the merciful covenant made with us in love, we pray:

Hear us, Lord.

That the ministers of the gospel may be people of genuine conversion and prophetic voice we pray:

Hear us, Lord.

That the bread of life may be shared one day by all Christians at a common table of praise, we pray:

Hear us, Lord.

For the poor of our world, and for governments called to assist them in their need we pray:

Hear us, Lord.

For the sick and the suffering in our world especially . . . , we pray:

Hear us, Lord.

Let us be mindful of the dead especially That they may come into the fullness of life, united with God in the communion of the faithful, we pray:

Hear us, Lord.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect

O God, your loving care for us calls for our gratitude. Multiply once again your abundant mercy toward us; renew your covenant with us; and let our hearts overflow with godly love for others. We ask this in the names of Jesus, our Rabbi and Lord, now in the Spirit and forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please kneel

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied our goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Celebrant pronounces the absolution.

THE PEACE

Please stand, as you are able.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

HEAR MY CRY, O GOD

CESAR FRANCK

Hear my cry, O God, attend unto my prayer; from the end of the earth will I cry unto Thee.

When my heart is overwhelmed, lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

For thou hast been a shelter for me and a strong tower from the enemy.

When I cry unto God then shall my enemies turn back; this I know, for God is for me.

In God will I praise his word, in God I have put my trust. In God will I praise his word.

Let my mouth be filled with praise, and with Thy honor all the day. Amen.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

At the presentation of the gifts of bread, wine, and money, all stand.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia. Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

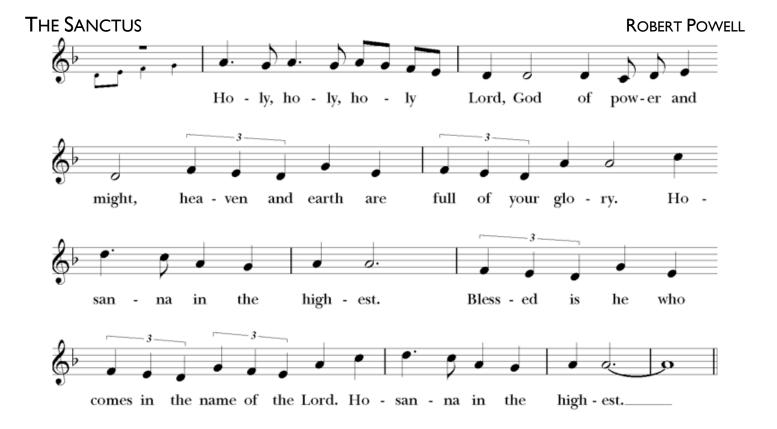
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who one 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.



The People stand or kneel as 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 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.

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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 ANTHEM

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Celebrant says the Invitation

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to His supper.

Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion.

You may receive at the altar rail or on the main floor at the crossing.

You are invited to either: Receive the Bread only or receive both the Bread and the Wine.

If you wish to receive the Wine, you may: Sip from the Chalice or Give your wafer to the Minister who will dip your wafer in the chalice and either place it on your tongue or give it back to you.

Gluten free wafers are also available at the altar rail—ask the minister when you come forward. If you would like a blessing instead of receiving, cross your arms over your chest as you come to the minister.

AT THE COMMUNION

FROM THE VOCALIST PANIS ANGELICUS CESAR FRANCK

The bread of angels becomes the bread of all, the heavenly bread gives an end to earthly forms.

O marvelous and wondrous sacrament:
a poor man, a slave, and the humble on all ingest the Lord.

FROM THE PIANIST PRELUDE IN C MAJOR J. S. BACH

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

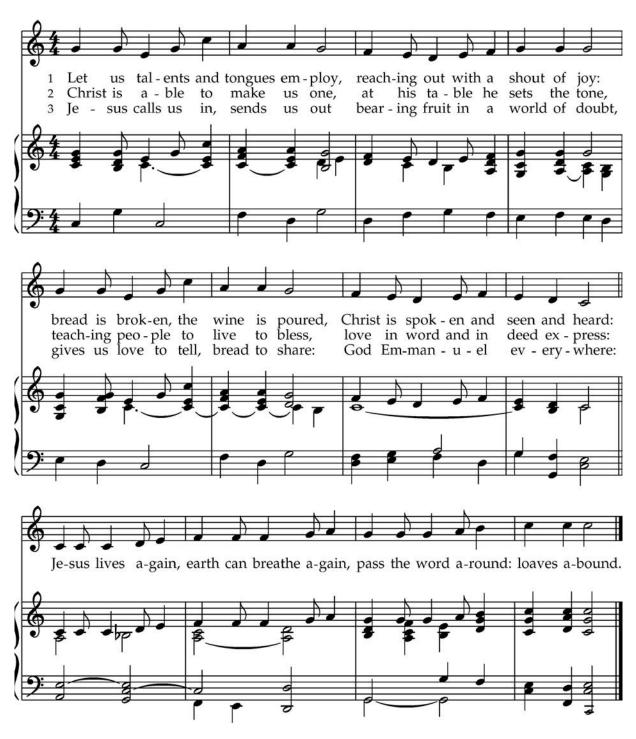
Please kneel or stand, as you are able.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant pronounces a blessing over the people

All sing



Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ETUDE IN C MAJOR; OPUS 10, #1

FREDERIC CHOPIN

LEADING THE SERVICE

Celebrant and Preacher The Rev. Dr. Simon Justice

Verger Mary Forner

Acolytes Ellis Deister (Crucifer), Ronan Walsh (Gospel Bearer)
Eucharistic Ministers Gillian Johnson, Jinx Brandt, Laurel Langenwalter (L)

Ushers Barb Leque, Tim Leque, Neale Quenzel

Cantor Michelle Dickson Vocalist Michelle Wardrip

Pianists Isaak Sindlinger, Josef Sindlinger

Organist Dr. Paul Klemme, Director of Music Ministries

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the I 4th wedding anniversary of Mary and Gary Forner.

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Swanson, John August. Loaves and Fishes, from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=56553 [retrieved August I, 2023]. Original source: Estate of John August Swanson, https://www.johnaugustswanson.com/.